

## Easter Egg Basket

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Make this Easter Egg Basket for the little ones in your life! Its generous size will give the bunny lots of space to fill and the Texture Hoop makes delightful grass out of fabric strips and ribbons. The cheerful ribbon woven through grommets will “hold” it all together!

Our Easter Egg Basket uses the March 2010 Monthly Design, #410201. It is free for the month of March, 2010 from [www.myembroideries.com](http://www.myembroideries.com). Click on the link, from the Monthly Designs, on the Husqvarna Viking website and you will be ready to download it.



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## Sewing Supplies:

- INSPIRA® Tear-A-Way Stabilizer
- INSPIRA® Aqua Magic Stabilizer
- Texture Hoop #920225096
- Robison Anton 40 wt. Rayon Embroidery Thread
- Bobbin Thread
- 5/8 Yard of Cream Home Dec Weight Cotton
- 7/8 Yard Yellow Cotton Print
- Assorted Fabric Strips and Ribbons
- Fusible Fleece
- Quick and Easy Mitered Binding Tool # 140002480
- 2/3 Yard Plastic Boning
- 52 Large (1/4"/6mm) Grommets
- Clear 1/4" Piecing Foot w/Guide #412927445
- Clear Seam Guide Foot #413 03 48-45
- Interchangeable Dual Feed #920219096
- Changeable Quilter's Guide Foot #413155545
- 6 Yards of 3/8" Wide Sheer Ribbon
- Fasturn Tube Turner #140000001

## Cut:

From Cream Cotton:

- One 14" x 14" for embroidery
- Four 9" x 9" for basket side

From Yellow Print:

- Two 11" x 11" for basket sides
- One 11" x 28 1/2" for side/bottom
- Two pieces 2 1/2" x width of fabric for handle

From Fusible Fleece:

- Two 9" x 26 1/2"
- Four 9" x 9"

## Embroider:

1. Hoop your 14" x 14" cream cotton fabric in the Texture Hoop with two layers of INSPIRA® Tear-A-Way Stabilizer.
2. Cut strips of fabric on the bias approximately 1/4" to 1/2" wide.
3. Clip them in place on your Texture Hoop. We used an assortment of different fabrics and ribbons.
4. Thread with 40 wt. Robison Anton Rayon Embroidery thread on top and bobbin thread in the bobbin.
5. Place two layers of Aqua Magic over the top of the clipped ribbons. Baste in place. The Aqua Magic will help to hold down the ribbons, and also give a bit of "padding" to the egg.



6. Stitch the Easter egg #410201.
7. When the embroidery is complete, trim away the Aqua Magic as shown, cutting as closely as possible to the embroidery. Don't cut the ribbons.

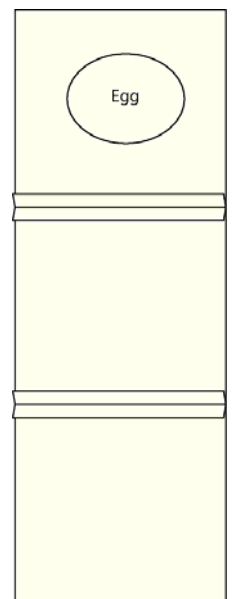


8. Using a "Q" tip, apply water to the cut edge to dissolve any stabilizer that is still sticking out. The remainder of the Aqua Magic can stay under the egg. It won't hurt anything.
9. Trim the ribbons approximately 1" from the edge of the embroidered egg. Cut them different lengths. We cut some of the wider pieces in half widthwise to make narrower strips.



10. Cut the embroidered piece down to 9" x 9" with the egg centered.
11. Snap on your 1/4" Piecing Foot.

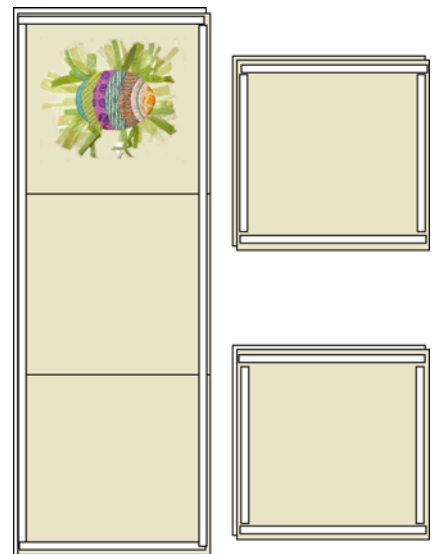
12. Place the embroidered piece right sides together with a 9" x 9" cream piece. Stitch along the side that is under the bottom of the egg. Place another 9" x 9" piece right sides together and sew it to the un-embroidered piece as shown.





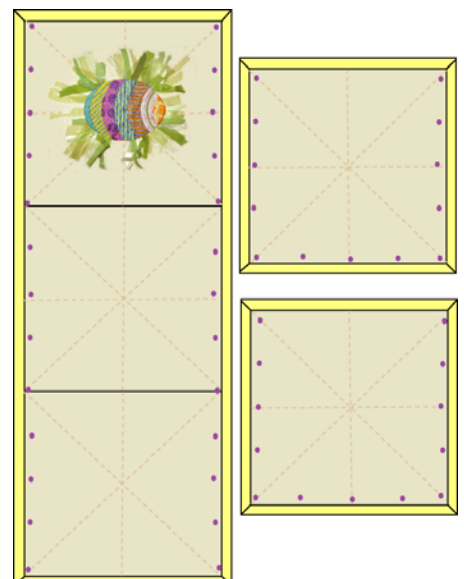
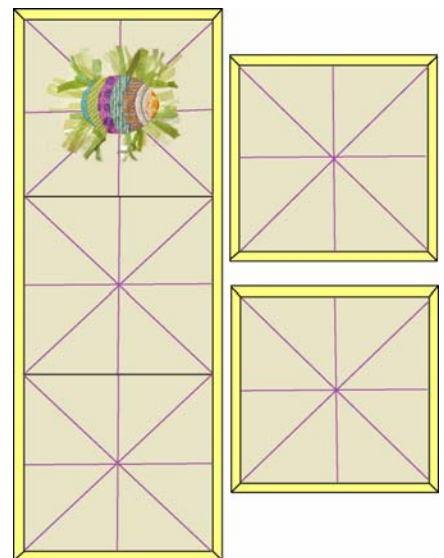
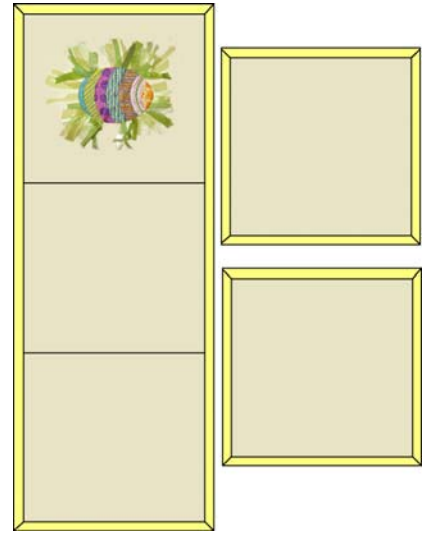
13. Press the seams open.

14. Press two layers of fusible fleece to the wrong side of the embroidered cream piece and the two 9" x 9" cream pieces.

15. Press 1/4" wide Steam-A-Seam 2 along the four raw edges of the embroidered cream piece and each of the 9" x 9" pieces as shown.



16. Press a double 1/2" hem towards the wrong side of the yellow 11" x 28 1/2" piece.  
Repeat for the two 11" x 11" yellow pieces.
17. Using your Quick and Easy Mitered Binding Tool, miter the corners.
18. Place the cream pieces right side up on the wrong side of the mitered yellow pieces tucking the cream into the "hem". Remove the paper from the Steam-A-Seam 2 and press with steam to fuse. You now have what looks like a runner and two potholders!
19. Select F11 , Hand Look Applique Stitch. Touch  to mirror the stitch side to side. Stitch the binding in place on all pieces.
20. Attach your Interchangeable Dual Feed. Snap on the Changeable Quilter's Guide Foot.
21. Using your Pictogram Pen mark quilting lines as shown, from corner to corner and center of each side to center of each side.
22. Quilt on the marked lines. When quilting around the Easter egg, hold the "grass" out of the way and begin and end stitching at the egg.
23. Using your Pictogram Pen, mark the placement of the eyelets as shown.
24. Following the instructions on the grommet package, install grommets at each marked point.
25. Cut the ribbon into four 4 1/2 yard pieces.



26. Fold the long embroidered piece into thirds to form two sides and the bottom of the basket. Place the square side in place and thread the first ribbon into the grommets starting at the top. Thread it into every other grommet. Then start across from it and go into the opposite holes. Tie the two ends together at each corner.
27. Repeat for the opposite side of the basket.
28. Place the two 2 1/2" x width of fabric pieces right sides together.
29. Snap on your Clear 1/4" Piecing Foot w/Guide. Stitch the two long edges.
30. Turn using your Fasturn Tube Turner. Press.
31. Snap on your Clear Seam Guide Foot. Stitch 5/8" from each edge creating a channel in the center.
32. Slide the fabric casing back to reveal about 1" of the plastic boning. Cut off 1" of the plastic. Repeat for the other end of the boning.
33. Snap on your A Foot.
34. Slide the boning into the channel in the fabric tube. When the boning is all the way inside the channel, push the plastic boning in so there is about 1/2" of "empty" fabric. Stitch across this end.
35. Continue sliding the fabric onto the boning gathering it up. Stitch across the other end.
36. Fold under each end approximately 1/2" and pin. Place the folded under section towards the basket, and pin the handles in place on the inside upper edge of the square sides.
37. Stitch in place. There should not be boning in these ends, but be careful to slide it up out of the way if there is.
38. Set aside your basket, in readiness for the arrival of the Easter Bunny!

