

## Embroidery shopping list

This is a basic checklist for you to take to the craft store. You need one item from each category.

- Design
  - Iron-on pattern OR
  - Transfer pen and design OR
  - Transfer paper and design
- Embroidery floss
  - Start with 2-3 colors. Black is a great one to start with. You can stitch the outline and then color in the spaces later if you want to.
- Needle - Grab a variety pack and figure out which one lets you thread it easily and passes through your fabric with ease and leaves a reasonable sized hole.
- Embroidery hoop
  - Wood – Start with wood. It's cheap, easy to find, and you can use it as a frame for displaying your finished project
- Cutting tool
  - Scissors OR nail clippers OR a thread cutter
  - Pretty much anything that will cut through 3-6 thin threads held together. If all else fails, break them one by one and line them back up.
- Something to embroider
  - A piece of woven cotton fabric
    - Start with a light color so that you can see your pattern easily
    - A lot of craft stores carry pre-edged products ready for stitching
      - Tea (dish) towels
      - Bibs
      - Table cloths