

**“MasterWorks II Reverse Appliqué Jeans”**



In this project, MasterWorks II will be used to create a reverse appliqué design that will be embroidered on the bottom of a child’s pair of blue jeans. This is the perfect project to use remnants that are so cute, you just didn’t have the heart to throw them away.

**Skill Level:** Intermediate

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## Supplies:

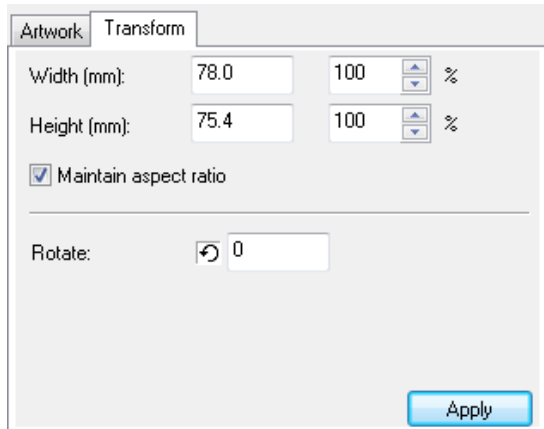
Baby Lock® Ellisimo sewing and embroidery machine  
MasterWorks II from Designer's Gallery®  
Purchased blue jeans (size 6 little girl)  
Children's print remnants  
Baby Lock® Tear-Away stabilizer  
Temporary spray adhesive  
Embroidery scissors  
Sewing and embroidery thread  
General sewing and embroidery supplies

## Instructions

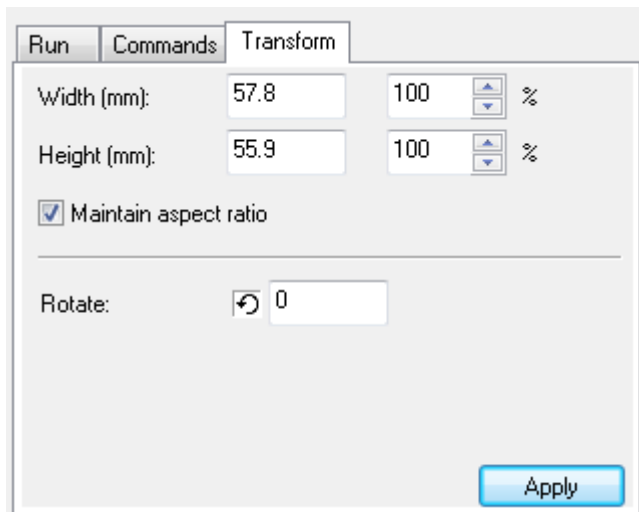
### At the Computer:

In this project, a built-in image will be used and converted to a reverse appliqué design. Copy and Paste will also be used to duplicate the image while resizing the images to fit nicely on the bottom leg of the jeans.

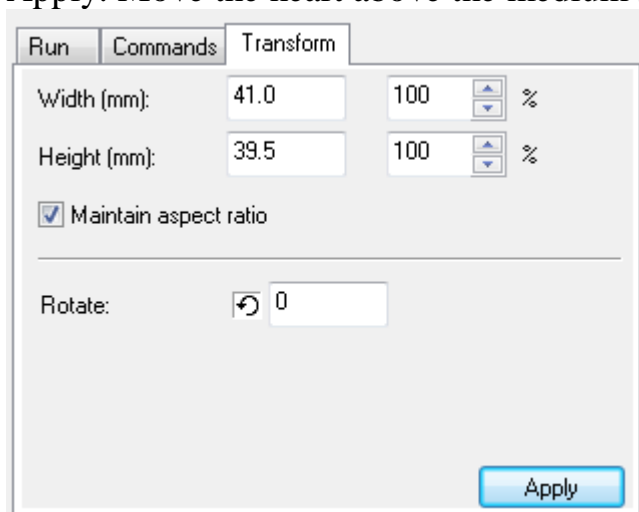
1. Open the program by clicking on the MasterWorks II  icon on the desktop.
2. Click on down arrow next to the Custom Shapes  tool on the left toolbar and select the Heart image.
3. Once the image is on the workspace, click on the Transform tab in the Properties field. Change the Width to 78.0mm and click on Apply. Move the heart to the bottom of the workspace.





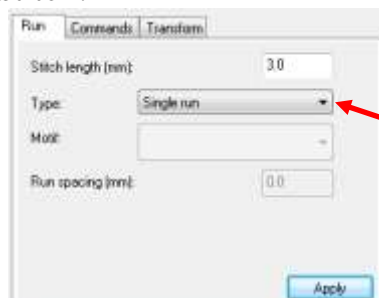
4. To duplicate the heart, right click on the workspace; from the list of commands select Copy, right click again and select Paste.
5. To resize the second heart, click on Transform and resize the heart to 57.8 and click on Apply. Move the heart above the first heart.



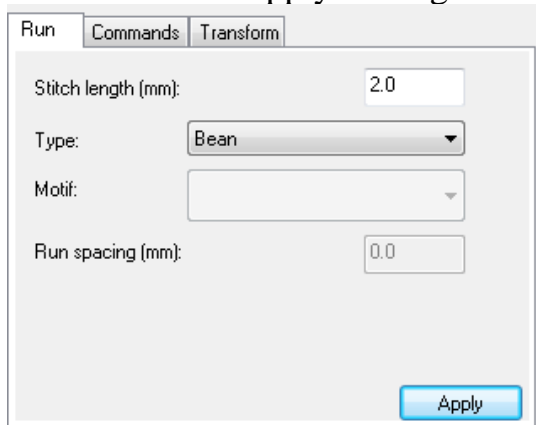
6. Duplicate this heart; right click and select Copy from the list of commands, right click again and select Paste.
7. Resize the third heart to 41.0mm in the Transform field and click on Apply. Move the heart above the medium sized heart.



8. To be sure that the hearts are centered evenly, hold down the Ctrl key and select each of the hearts. Click on the down arrow next to the Center  tool and from the list, select Horizontal Center Align.
9. To add the stitches to the outline, click on the Run  tool on the bottom toolbar. The default stitch will be Single Run as shown in the Properties field. This color stop will be referred to as the placement stitch.



10. To create the additional stops needed for the reverse appliqué, select all of the hearts. Right click, and from the list of commands select Copy; right click again and select Paste. **Do not move the duplicated hearts.**
11. With the duplicated hearts still selected, click on a different color chip from the Color Palette.
12. In the Properties field, click on the down arrow next to Type and select Bean. Click on Apply. Change the Stitch length to 2.0.



13. To create the third color stop, right click and select Paste from the list of commands. **Do not move the duplicated hearts.**
14. With the duplicated hearts still selected, click on a different color chip from the Color Palette.
15. Click on Print Preview and print out one copy of the design. This will be used as a template for design placement.
16. Click on File Save As and save as a Working File format (.blf). Then, save as a .pes file to the media device that your embroidery machine will read.

### **Jean Preparation:**

To make it easier to embroider the jean leg, rip out the inner seam on the right leg of the blue jeans. Pin the template to the bottom of the leg over the outer seam.

### **At the Embroidery Machine:**

1. Hoop the stabilizer in the hoop (200mm x 200mm) and spray with the temporary spray adhesive.
2. Place the templated leg in the center of the hoop being sure that the cross marks on the template line up with the marks on the side of the hoop.
3. With the machine on and with the design merged onto the machine's workspace, center the needle over the cross marks on the template. Remove the template.

4. Thread the machine with the appropriate thread and embroider the first thread color. This color stop will show the placement for the appliqué fabric. Remove the hoop from the machine. **Do not un-hoop the jeans.**
5. Turn the hoop over so that the back side of the hoop is facing upward and lightly spray inside the heart areas with the temporary spray adhesive. With the right side of the fabric placed facedown over the stabilizer, place the appliqué fabric over the hearts and finger press smooth. Place the hoop back on the embroidery unit and embroider the next color. Since this color will show on the front of the jeans this should be the color that you want to coordinate with your appliqué fabric. When the machine stops for the third color stop, click on the start button using the same thread that was used for the second color stop. This stop is for reinforcing the heart designs so that you can feel safe washing the jeans many times.
6. Remove the hoop from the machine.
7. With the right side of the jeans facing upward and using a sharp pair of embroidery scissors, cut the denim material away inside the heart shapes close to the stitched line. Tear away the stabilizer.
8. Re-stitch the inside seam leg.

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