Customized Embroidered Necklines By Sarah Gunn

Materials needed: Embroidery/Sewing Machine Embroidery Neckline File Tunic Pattern Fashion Fabric of your choice Stabilizer Embroidery Thread Needle & Thread Needle & Thread Heat Soluble Marker Pattern: The Tunic Bible Thread: Coats & Clark Embroidery Thread in TANGO Embroidery File: <u>https://www.embdesigntube.com</u>

Instructions

1. Select embroidery design and download to the embroidery machine.

2. Working from one's favorite tunic pattern, begin with a rectangular piece of fabric somewhat larger than the Tunic Front Bodice.

3. Trace the Tunic Bodice Front shoulders, neckline and armscyes with a heat soluble marker.

**4.** Thread trace the center line from the neckline to the bottom of the bodice. **This serves as your placement guide.** 

5. Now depending on your hoop size you may be able to embroider the entire design at once. If you work from a smaller hoop chances are you'll be dividing the design, but once it's finished it will look like this.

6. Remove stabilizer

7. With an interfaced piece of fashion fabric roughly the same size as the EMBROIDERY design, place the fabric over the front of the embroidered neckline and placket. Secure with a few pins.

8. Flip to the back secure with a few more pins.

9. Stitch around neckline following the embroidery design. I will do in contrast thread. 10. Trim.

11. Turn and press.

12. You now have a facing.

13. Depending on the sheerness of your fabric you can finish the facing in one of two ways.

14. Cut facing in same shape as design allowing for a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam finish. Turn and finish outer edge or serge.

15. If your fabric is sheer, Cut the facing down to 1" following the inner neckline design, turn and finish by slip stitching to the back of the garment.

16. Fine tune the pattern placement and pin in place. Make sure top of design catches in shoulder seam. May sacrifice some embroidery.

17. Pin the bodice pattern piece to the fabric and cut.

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