Soupe du Jour Embroidery Design

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Are you looking for a simple way to get started using Digitizer MBX? Did you know that you could use images that were in your fonts? We will use downloaded fonts and webdings/wingdings exclusively to create this cute embroidery design to be used in your kitchen. Turn the embroidered fabric into a pillow and sit it in your kitchen window seat or chair.

Skill level - Beginner

Janome Products Required:

- Janome Memory Craft 15000
- SQ23 Hoop
- Jenny Haskins Tear Away Adhesive Stabilizer
- Janome Pre Wound Bobbins
- Red Tip Needle
- Janome Embroidery Thread

Fabric and Notions:

- 1/2 yard of linen
- 18” of invisible zipper
- 12” pillow form

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Download Fonts:

1. Go to a free font website like www.dafont.com.
2. Select dingbats, download and install. Directions for installation are on Dafont's homepage. The Dingbat fonts that were used for this project were Cocinitas, KG Flavor, Frames Four and WMAquatic 1.
3. Select "Handwriting" under the script column to find a variety of cursive and print fonts that appeal to you. (The fonts that were used for this project were Janda Stylish Script, KG Eyes Wide Open, KG Strawberry Limeade, Janda Quirky Girl and KG Modern Monogram.)

Digitizing:

1. Open Easy Design and select SQ23 Hoop.
2. Set up your work environment by selecting a light colored background.
3. Select Lettering, enter letter B from the Cocinitas font to bring in the ladle. Select Okay and click on the area in your hoop where you want the ladle to appear. Resize as needed.
4. Select Lettering and enter letter D from KG Flavor and Frames Four font to bring in the frame for our title. Select Okay and click on the area in your hoop where you want the frame to appear.
5. Select Letter and enter letter M from WMAquatic 1 font to bring in the fish skeleton. Select Okay and click on the area in your hoop where you want the fish skeleton to appear.
6. Select Lettering and enter "Soupe du Jour" from Janda Stylish Script font to bring in the title. Select Okay and click on the area in your hoop where you want the ladle to appear, which is inside the frame. Enlarge it to fit appropriately.
7. Enter the following phrases the same way using the corresponding fonts. Each soup name will be entered separately just as each dingbat was entered separately.

Soup Name:	**Font Used:**
Crab Bisque	*KG Eyes Wide Open*
Tomato Basil	*KG Strawberry Limeade*
Gazpacho	*KG Eyes Wide Open*
Chilled Asparagus	*Run Murray Hill*
French Onion	*Janda Quirkygirl*
Chicken Tortilla	*Run Murray Hill*
Vegetable Beef	*KG Modern Monogram*
Gumbo	*Lucida Calligraphy*

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8. Adjust your spacing and sizing to stay within the boundaries of your hoop.
9. Save file as a .jan and .jef.
10. Apply fusible tear away stabilizer to the back of your freshly ironed linen and hoop it in the SQ23 Hoop.
11. Send the design in the .jef format to your MC15000 with Horizon Link Software.
12. Using a Janome Red Tip Needle and Janome thread color of your choice, let the stitching begin.

Creating the Pillow:

1. Once your embroidery design is stitched, un-hoop it and remove your stabilizer.
2. Trim the fabric down to 13 inches and also cut another piece of fabric 13 inches square from your remaining linen.
3. Follow these directions from Schlosser Designs for constructing your pillow using an invisible zipper. http://www.schlosserdesigns.com/2012/05/tutorial-tuesday-throw-pillow-with-invisible-zipper/.

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