

# Applique

## Instructions

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There are 2 ways of doing Applique. Simple and advanced. I will cover both in this one design.

You can combine both ways depending on how you want to do your design and the fabric used. Experiment and see which you find better or use both.

This tutorial however is the base to follow for all of my appliqué designs. I am only using this design as an example as it has elements of both.



For the purpose of demonstrating both methods we will do the shark the simpler way and the balloons the more complicated way. You can do them both whichever way suits you.

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### Materials:

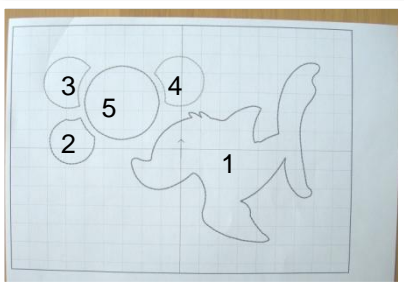
#### For Simple appliqué:

**Fabric for the Shark**  
**Spray Adhesive**

#### For advanced appliqué

**Fabric for the balloons**  
**Card Stock around 100 1b**  
**Double sided heat fusible backing**  
**Spray adhesive**

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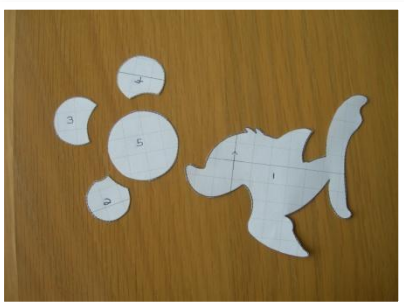
#### STEP 1 – Creating Applique templates

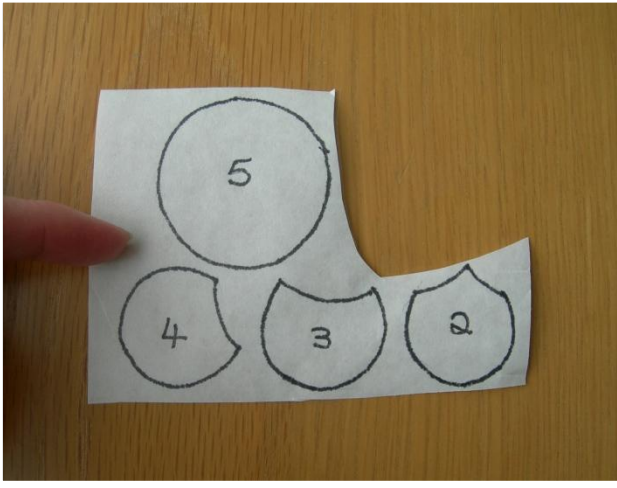
##### **Option A**

Print the outlines from the file named 'outline' using your embroidery program onto cardstock and cut them out. Number each one according to the order they are sewn out.

##### **Option B**

Attach cardstock to the bottom of your hoop and stitch out the shapes with or without thread using your forward button to skip to each outline shape. Cut out the shapes along the perforations. Number each one according to the order they are sewn out.





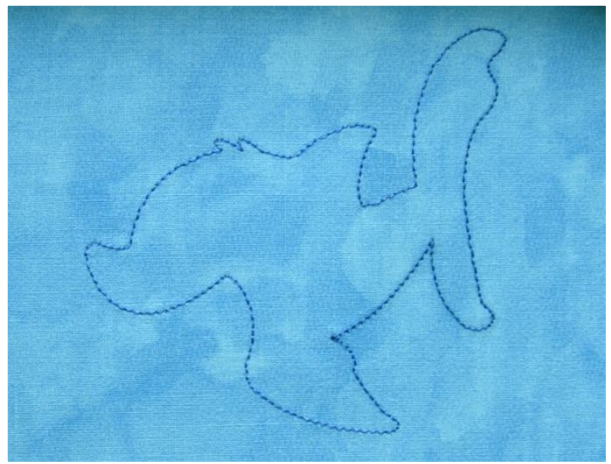
**STEP 2** - Using your templates trace a mirror image of the balloon shapes onto the paper side of the double sided heat fusible backing. Write the corresponding numbers from the template onto your tracing.



**STEP 3** - Iron the fusible side of the backing to the wrong side of the fabric.



**STEP 4** - Cut the appliqué balloon shapes out. Cut out a piece of fabric large enough to cover the shark. Iron fusible backing onto it.



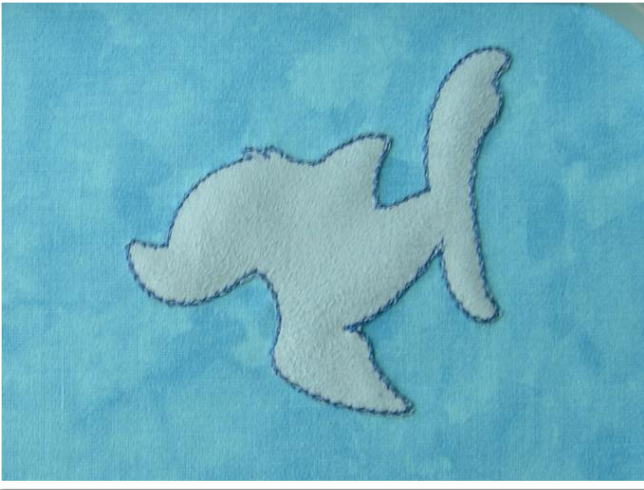
**STEP 5** - Stitch out the first outline of the shark.



**STEP 6** – Place fabric over the shark and rub gently to make the tacky side hold the fabric. You can see the outline indented through the fabric. Use self adhesive spray or a mini iron to Iron the fabric to prevent movement. Take care not to Iron out of the outline.



**STEP 7** – Stitch out the second outline.



STEP 8 – Stitch out the second outline. Cut the shark out carefully and stitch out the last tack down stitch. Skip if not required. At his point I like to iron the backing down firmly.



STEP 9 – Continue Stitching the rest of the design until you reach the first balloon.



STEP 10 – Stitch the first red outline of the balloon. Place the fabric piece on the outline. Use spray adhesive if your backing is not tacky enough. Trim any excess fabric that may stick out. If you wish you can remove the hoop and iron in place. Stitch out the rest of the balloon.



STEP 11 – Apply the same process to the rest of the balloons.

COMPLETED APPLIQUE

