

## **Sampler Roll of Stitches by Christen Brown**

### Materials

- Cotton fabric in a solid color: 1/4 yard (.23m)
- Featherweight iron-on interfacing: 1 yard (.92m)
- 3/8" (9.6mm) ribbon: 1yard (.92m)
- 1 spool of sewing thread to match the fabric
- Variety of embroidery threads
- Variety of embroidery needles, small sharps needle

### Cutting

1. Iron the interfacing to the wrong side of the fabric, following the manufacture's instructions.
2. Cut one piece of fabric 6" x 6" (15.3cm), for each stitch family; work with an even number of squares.
3. Embroider each piece square of fabric with a stitch family.

### Assembly

1. Choose 1 square (now called the first square) to begin the row. Fold the length of ribbon in half.
2. With the embroidered side the first square facing up, place and pin the folded edge of the ribbon in the middle of the left vertical edge of the square. Sew the fold in place with a 1/8" (3.2mm) seam allowance.
3. Place the next square right sides together on the first square. Sew the vertical edges of the squares together with a 1/4" (6.4mm) seam allowance.
4. Assemble and pin the remaining squares in a row, with the last square pinned to the first square, creating a circular row.
5. With the embroidered sides facing in, fold the row of squares in half, with the first square on one end. Pin along the top edge, and the bottom edge leaving one set of squares in the middle of the row open.
6. Stitch the top edge together with a 1/4" (6.4mm) seam allowance. Stitch the bottom edge together with a 1/4" (6.4mm) seam allowance, leaving the one set of squares open.
7. Turn the embroidery to the right side through the opening. Press the seams. Hand-stitch the opening closed with sewing thread.

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