



# Material Obsession



## ORGANIC APPLIQUE

### ....any road

When you don't know where you are going, any road will get you there! Organic Appliqué is about using simple appliqué techniques to make shapes then organising them with intent to create a fun, unique project. You will love this workshop if you have always wanted to take creative control and to simply enjoy that path! We will use appliqué paper to make leaves, flowers, stems and objects then consider elements of design for composition. Follow the sample or design with your own ideas!



# FABRIC

Background: 1 ½ - 2 yards of wide (54") fabric. Good options include Fableism plaids (as shown) checks, stripes or linen/cotton blends in medium tones.

Leaves: 7-9 fabrics 10-20" each. Consider bringing light, medium and dark shades of leaf colours from any season. Also consider texture, warm and cool options.

Stems: 4-5 fat quarters of dark, textured colours that will contrast against your background.

Fussy Cut/Circle fabrics: flowers, birds & circles work well with fabrics that can be "fussy cut" to enhance shapes. Look for Round designs for circles and flowers with distinct shapes. A variety of colors, scales and shapes work to enhance the design.

Scraps: 3" x 5" scraps of fabric for decorating spaces with strips or squares. This is an opportunity to use up bits of fabric filling spaces in the project.

# MATERIALS

- Appliqué Paper, either HNK appliqué paper or C&T wash away appliqué.
  - Fabric glue stick and refills.
  - Paper and fabric scissors.
  - Starch spray - Best Press or Flatter.
  - Efina 60wt thread (or your preferred applique thread).
  - Appliqué or milliners needles, size 10 or 11.
  - Any of the following for circles: Perfect Circles, Pre-cut wash away circles (HNK appliqué papers (1 - 1 ½") or Applipops.
  - Small amount of foil.
  - Clover appliqué pins.
  - Wool pressing mat and mini iron.
  - Pencil and sketch pad.
  - 1-2 yds freezer paper (optional).
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