

Lips Hand Embroidery Pattern



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Materials Needed

*6 inch bamboo hoop
Linen/cotton in white (or fabric of choice)
Embroidery needle
Embroidery scissors
Needle threader
White or light coloured felt

Threads Used

DMC 310 black
DMC 321 red

Stitches Used

Backstitch in 310 for outline
Satin stitch in 321 for lips

*the pattern is scaled for a 6 inch hoop with enough space around the edge of the hoop that you can stitch and finish the piece using a 6 inch hoop and not have issues with trying to stitch near the edges of the hoop.

You can use a photocopier to reduce or enlarge the pattern to your preference.

One last note: I prefer to use a plastic hoop for stitching and a bamboo hoop for finishing. I find the plastic hoop grips the fabric better and holds it nice and taut for stitching. But the bamboo hoop just looks prettier for finishing your piece.

Pattern Notes

I use three strands of floss for the outline.

I use two strands of floss for the satin stitch in the lips.

I use backstitch for the outline of the face and hair, but a stem stitch or chain stitch can also be used. Be creative!

I do a satin stitch for the lips, but you can make it simpler by just backstitching them in either black or red.



Transferring Patterns to Fabric:

After you download and print your pattern, there are several options for transferring it to your fabric. Here are a few suggestions:

Tracing Method

How-To:

Place your pattern paper onto a light tablet or tape it onto a bright window. Position your fabric on top of it so that the pattern appears where you want to stitch it. Trace the pattern using a friction/heat erasable pen (Frixion Point or Paper Mate Erasable Gel both work well). Once you have finished stitching your pattern, ironing the fabric will remove any visible pen marks. This method works best when you are using a lightweight, light coloured fabric.

Pros: easy, fast

Cons: not suitable for dark or heavy fabrics, precision is required, may be awkward using a vertical surface like a window if you don't have a light tablet

Iron-On Transfer Pen Method

How-To:

Print your pattern onto paper (use the reversed version) and then trace over it with an iron-on transfer pen (Sulky sells iron-on transfer pens). Follow the instructions included with the pen to transfer the design onto the fabric

Pros: easy to use

Cons: depending on the pen you use, it may be difficult to trace fine details, pattern doesn't wash off once transferred so precise stitching over the design is required.

Transferring Patterns to Fabric (con't):

Water Soluble Paper Method

How-To:

I use a product by Sulky called Sticky Fabri-Solvvy. This product allows you to print your pattern on the printer, adhere it to the fabric, and dissolve the paper in water after you are done stitching.

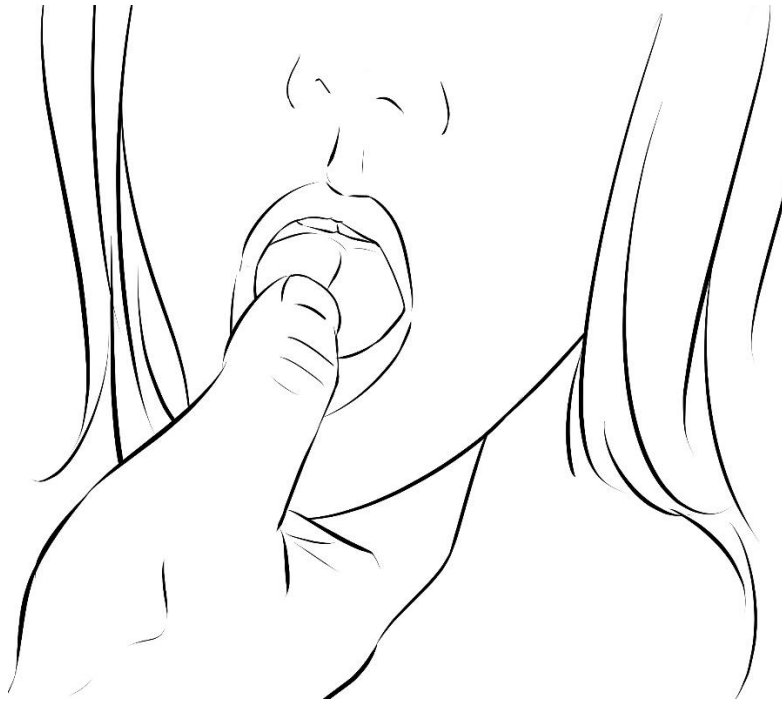
Pros: allows you to print from your computer rather than tracing the pattern

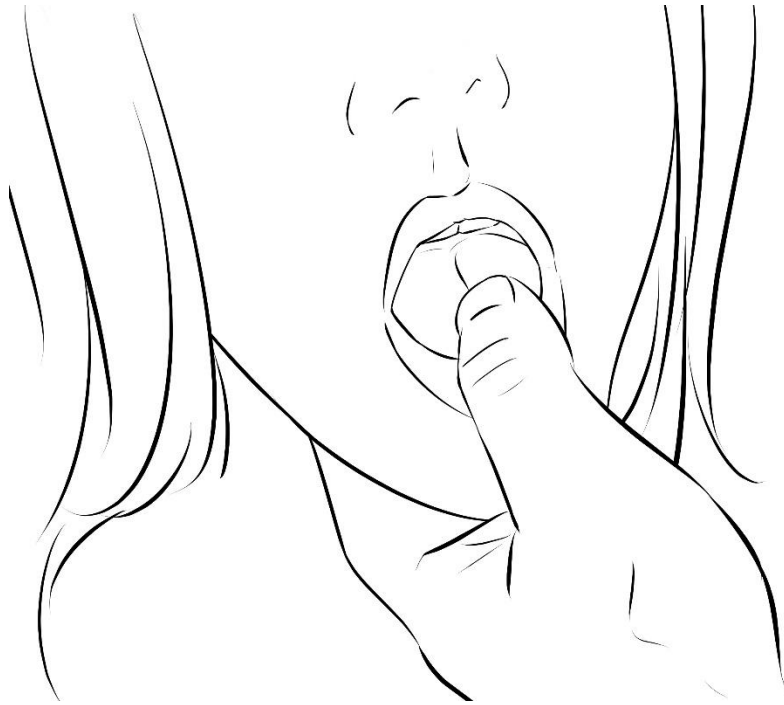
Cons: can be pricey to purchase, can only be used on fabric that can be submerged in water, sticky residue can collect on your needle (requiring a swipe with an alcohol wipe to clean). Some people have reported issues with removing all of the stabilizer material.

One last thing...

This pattern assumes you understand the basics of embroidery and, as such, I will not go into detail on how to back stitch, satin stitch, or complete a French knot.

However, at the end of this pattern, I will have a list of resources for Youtube videos on various embroidery stitches and how to finish the back of your hoop in a pretty way.





Reversed image for use with an iron-on transfer pen method.

Finishing Your Embroidery Art

My favourite way to finish embroidery art is in a bamboo hoop.

There are several different methods to finishing the back, and no particular way is best. It's your preference how you would like to finish it.

I personally follow Cutesy Crafts method of finishing with white (or light coloured) felt.

Below are several links to Cutesy Crafts YouTube channel with instructions on basic embroidery stitches and finishing the back of your hoop.

How-to Videos by Cutesy Crafts

[How to Back Stitch](#)

[How to Satin Stitch](#)

[How to do a French Knot](#)

[How to do a Split Stitch](#)

[How to do a Stem Stitch](#)

[How to do a Chain Stitch](#)

[How to Back an Embroidery Hoop with Felt](#)

Let's Stay in Touch

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And remember - if you have ANY questions about the pattern, do not hesitate to contact me.

