

Be My Valentine

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Make these pretty Valentine cards for everyone on your list! They stitch out quickly, and are very easy to personalize using 6D™ Embroidery Software!

The featured design, **100477004**, is the free monthly design for February, 2015. The design is from PFAFF® collection #477, Holiday Line Art.

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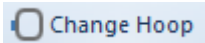

Sewing Supplies:

- *creative*™ Metal Hoop
- INSPIRA® embroidery needle, size 90
- Robison-Anton 40 wt. rayon embroidery thread
- 30 wt. cotton thread
- Bobbin thread
- Two 8½" x 11" sheets handmade paper white
- One 8½" x 11" sheet handmade paper red
- Hot fix crystals
- Rubber cement

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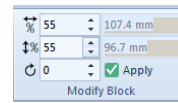
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Create:

1. Open **6D™ Embroidery**.
2. Click on the **View Tab**.
3. Click on  **Change Hoop**.
4. Select the **180mm x 130mm creative™ Metal Hoop**.
5. Load design **100477004**.
6. It is way too big for our card, and for the hoop! So, click on the **Edit Tab**.
7. Click **Resize** . Be sure it is highlighted in yellow.

8. Click **Make Block from Visible Area**  .

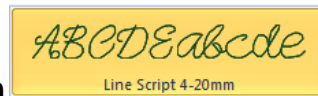
9. Under **Modify Block** change the width and height to 55 and click **Apply**.



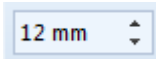
10. Your heart now fits nicely within the hoop. By choosing Resize rather than Scale, the stitch count was changed to reflect the new size.

11. Click on the **Letter Tab**.

12. Select **Line Script 4-20mm**



13. Select size **12mm**



14. Under Line Type, select **Circle Counter Clockwise**



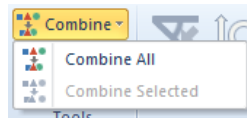
15. Click **Apply**



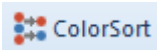
16. Pull the circle in until it hugs the heart as shown.

17. Click on the **Home Tab**.

18. Click **Combine, Combine All**

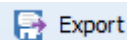


19. Click **Color Sort**



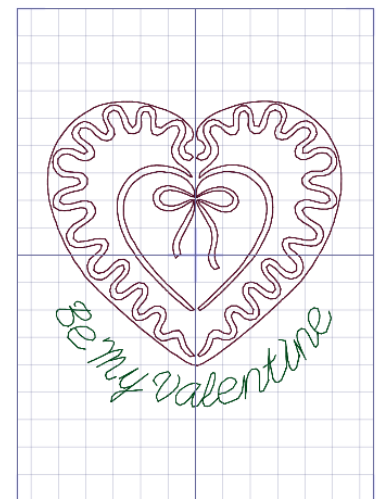
20. Click **File Save**, and save the design as heart.

21. Click **Export**




22. Leave everything checked and name it **Heart Resized**. Click **OK**.

23. Send to your embroidery machine.















Embroider:

1. Set up your machine for embroidery.
2. Insert a new embroidery needle, size 90.
3. Thread with 30 wt. cotton on top and bobbin thread in the bobbin.
4. Load your combined design.

5. Toggle to **Embroidery Stitch-out** .
6. Attach your metal hoop to the embroidery unit.
7. Using the magnets provided, fix your white handmade paper in place.
8. Embroider the heart embroidery.
9. Cut the paper to a 5" square, keeping the embroidery centered.

Sew:

1. Toggle to **Sewing Mode** .
2. Snap-on the 2A Foot.
3. Touch the **Selection Menu** .
4. Choose **Fonts** .
5. Select **Comic Sans** or the font of your choice.
6. Enter the letters for first line of your inside message.
7. When you have entered all the letters, touch **Sequence Commands**  add a **Stop** .
8. Touch **OK** .
9. Thread with 40 wt. rayon on top and bobbin thread in the bobbin.
10. Sew your first word on the second sheet of white handmade paper.
11. Open **Sequencing** .
12. Continue entering words in this way until your message is complete.
13. Open the **Stitch Creator™ Feature** .
14. Touch **Selection Menu** .
15. Select stitch **2.4.12** .
16. Touch **Triple Stitch** .

17. Touch **OK**  to close *Stitch Creator*™ Feature.
18. Cut the inside word section down to 5" square.
19. Using red handmade paper, create a card by cutting a piece 11" x 5½". Fold in half so your folded card measures 5½" square.
20. Center the paper with your stitched words on the inside of the card.
21. Sew in place using your edited stitch made in *Stitch Creator*™ Feature.
22. Glue the embroidered heart to the front of the card.
23. Embellish as desired with the hot-fix crystals. We used them to dot the i's.



Cupid is ready! Bring on Valentine's Day!