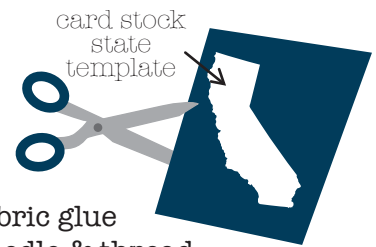


state silhouette ornament

materials:

- embroidery hoop (suggested size 3" - 6")
- printed fabric for background (can repurpose a piece of clothing)
- solid fabric for silhouette (that will show up against background)
- heavy paper or card stock to make a state pattern
- sewing pins
- fabric scissors



- fabric glue
- needle & thread
- craft paint & paint brush
- ribbon to hang ornament with

assembly:

1. Take your embroidery hoop (making sure it is clear of tags) and paint both rings a fun color. (We've used gold paint to make it feel festive).
2. Set the painted hoop aside on newspaper or wax paper to dry.
3. Print out on card stock the state silhouette you want to make (or any other shape that holds meaning to you). If you need to, use a copy machine to enlarge the shape to the desired size to fit your hoop.
4. Cut out your state silhouette pattern from the card stock. This will be your pattern.
5. Pin your state silhouette pattern to the fabric you have chosen for the silhouette and cut it out carefully. Remove pins and pattern and set aside.
6. Make sure both rings of the embroidery hoop are dry. Take the background fabric you have selected and lay it in the center over the inner circle of the embroidery hoop.
7. Take the larger outer ring of the embroidery hoop and lay it on top of the background fabric. Secure it in place by tightening the pin at the top of the hoop. Be sure to pull the background fabric taut as you tighten the pin. Trim excess fabric from edges.
8. Use fabric glue to secure your state silhouette in place on the background fabric. You can use needle & thread to embellish your state- stitch around the edges or stitch a heart or star on your home town or capital of your home state.
9. Thread the ribbon through the tightening pin at the top of the hoop and tie a knot. Your home made state silhouette ornament is ready to hang somewhere special!

inner circle

