

Fusible Appliqué and Broderie Perse — Rita Owen

Broderie perse is the technique of cutting motifs out of one fabric and appliquéing them on another fabric.

Fused appliqué pieces do not need to be sewn down. If fused properly, they can go through the washer and dryer.

- A fabric with medium or large print motifs that you want to cut out and fuse onto cotton garments or household items
- Cotton tee-shirts, pillow cases, dish towels, or other smooth-finished cotton items on which you want to apply appliqué. Plain tee-shirts are available from places like Michael's or from Hanes or Jockey online.
- Do you have a favorite tee-shirt you don't wear in public anymore because it has stains on it? How about covering up the stains with appliqué motifs?
- Do you have a quilt you want to embellish with motifs cut out of another fabric?
- Fusible webbing – Steam-a-Seam 2.
- Paper scissors (sharp) – will be used to cut paper and fabric with fusible webbing attached (do not use good fabric scissors). You will learn cutting techniques to do precision cutting of difficult shapes
- Appliqué pressing sheet or parchment paper

If you want to sew down your appliqués (**not required**), please bring:

- Sewing machine with an appliqué foot
- Threads for piecing and machine appliqué – cotton thread to match motifs
- Ball-end needle (not Microtex sharps) if sewing on cotton jersey (such as tee-shirts)