

Note: Some designs in this collection may have been created using unique special stitches and/or techniques. To preserve design integrity when rescaling or rotating designs in your software, always rescale or rotate designs using the handles directly on-screen.



12495-01 Tag Blanket Corner

3.75 X 3.76 in.
95.25 X 95.50 mm
1,151 St.



12495-18 Tag Giraffe

4.79 X 8.21 in.
121.67 X 208.53 mm
5,447 St. **L**





12495-19 Tag-asaurus

8.91 X 4.55 in.
226.31 X 115.57 mm
3,748 St. **L**

These designs are part of the collection Minkee Tag Toys #12495 which features 20 designs for adorable in-the-hoop toys.

The fun tags on these adorable stitch 'n' turn toys not only add playful colored accents but also provide a wonderful sensory experience for infants and toddlers.



-  Design contains a loose fill.
-  Some white areas shown are not stitched.

- L** Design is larger than 5" (127 mm) in either direction.
- S** Design is smaller than 1.5" (38.1 mm) in either direction.

It is a violation of Copyright law to make and distribute copies of electronic designs or artwork.
Electronic designs are licensed to the original purchaser for use at one location. ©2013 OESD, LLC. All rights reserved.



Minkee® Tag Toys

#12495 / 20 Designs

Listings below indicate color sample, stitching order and suggested thread color number. “I” refers to Isacord thread and “T” refers to Timeless thread. Colors beginning with 20501 refer to YLI Fine Metallics, 7 refer to Yenmet Metallic, 8 refer to YLI Variations Variegated Thread and 9 refer to Isacord Multicolor Variegated.

12495-01 Tag Blanket

I T

Corner

■	1. Minkee Placement Stitch.....	0020	28151
■	2. Minkee Basting Stitch.....	0020	28151
■	3. Ribbon Placement Stitch.....	0020	28151
■	4. Ribbon Tackdown Stitch.....	0020	28151
■	5. Seam.....	0020	28151

12495-18 Tag Giraffe

■	1. Minkee Placement Stitch.....	0020	28151
■	2. Minkee Basting Stitch.....	0020	28151
■	3. Brown Detail.....	1346	26136
■	4. Ribbon Placement Stitch.....	0020	28151
■	5. Ribbon Tackdown Stitch.....	0020	28151
■	6. Seam.....	0020	28151

12495-19 Tag-asaurus

■	1. Minkee Placement Stitch.....	0020	28151
■	2. Minkee Basting Stitch.....	0020	28151
■	3. Spots.....	0506	22133
■	4. Eye.....	1346	26136
■	5. Ribbon Placement Stitch.....	0020	28151
■	6. Ribbon Tackdown Stitch.....	0020	28151
■	7. Seam.....	0020	28151

Tag Toy- (n) A plush stuffed toy or blanket with ribbon “tags.” Babies love soft Minkee® fabric, and are fascinated by the looped ribbon tags on these adorable in-the-hoop toys!

>>Read all instructions before starting project<<

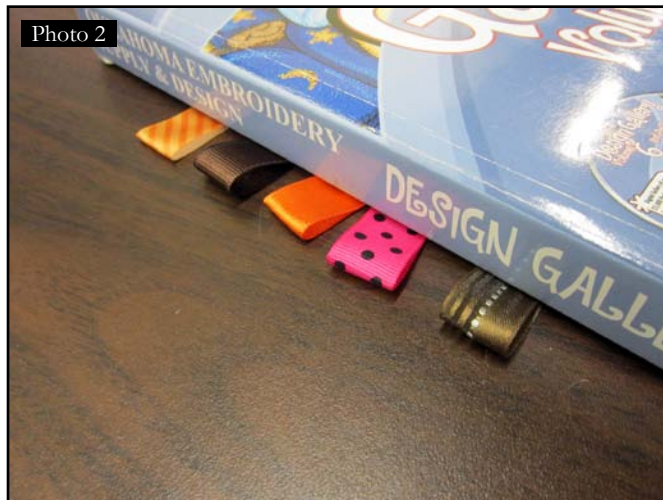
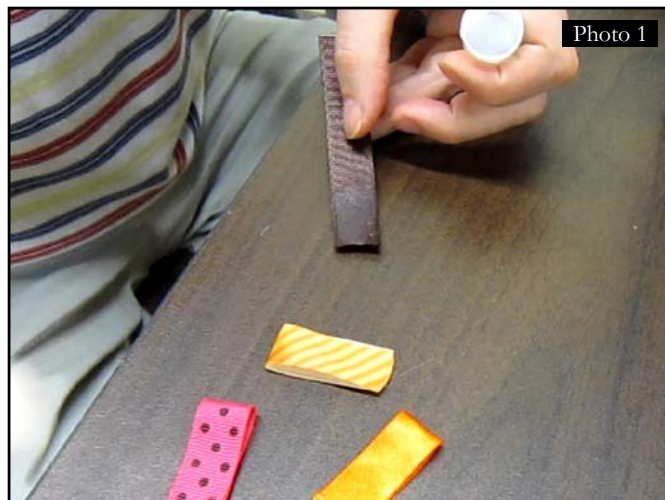
Supplies:

- Design from collection #12495 “Minkee® Tag Toys”
- Embroidery Thread
- Wash away topping
- Polymesh stabilizer
- Minkee® fabric
- A water-soluble fabric glue stick
- Standard embroidery foot
- Optional foot with clear disc for sewing “Ribbon Tackdown Stitch”
- 5/8” ribbon cut into 3” pieces for tags. Refer to chart to the right for the number of ribbon tags needed for each design.

Making the ribbon tags:

1. Find out how many tags you need for the design you are sewing by referencing the chart at the bottom of the supply list.
2. Cut ribbon pieces 3” long.
3. Using a washable fabric glue stick, spread approximately an inch of fabric glue onto one end of each strip of ribbon on the back side and fold over. Make sure to line the ends up neatly. **Photo 1**
4. Stick the glued ends of the ribbons under something heavy until you are ready for them. **Photo 2**

DESIGN	# OF RIBBON TAGS NEEDED
12495-01	4
12495-02	2
12495-03	0
12495-04	10
12495-05	3
12495-06	6
12495-07	6
12495-08	8
12495-09	3
12495-10	6
12495-11	2
12495-12	6
12495-13	6
12495-14	4
12495-15	2
12495-16	4
12495-17	5
12495-18	5
12495-19	8
12495-20	3

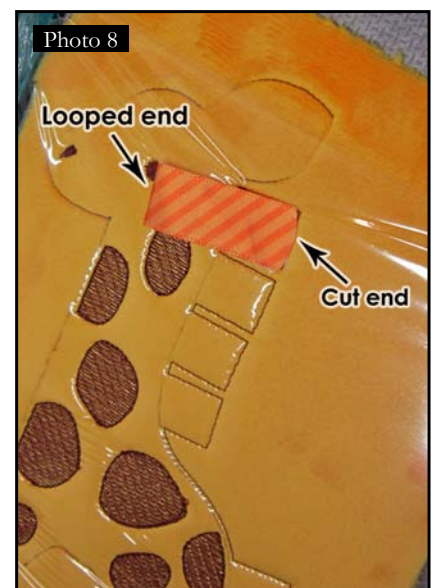


Sewing the Tag Toy:

5. Hoop one layer of Polymesh Stabilizer.
6. Sew the first color. This is called “Placement Stitch” on your thread chart. **Photo 3**
7. Cut out two pieces of Minkee® fabric large enough to extend past the placement stitch by at least a quarter inch all the way around.
8. Spray the wrong side of one piece of Minkee® fabric using a water soluble spray adhesive.
9. Place Minkee® fabric over the placement stitch, making sure to cover it completely. **Photo 4**
10. Sew the second color change. This will be called the “Basting Stitch” on your thread chart. **Photo 5**
 - NOTE: Match the thread color to your Minkee® fabric.
11. Take the hoop off the machine, but do not remove the fabric and stabilizer from the hoop.
12. Place a wash away topping over the entire design. **Photo 6**



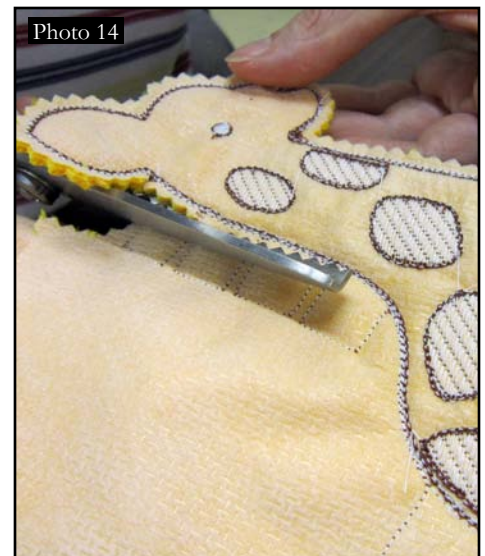
- TIP: If the surface of your top hoop is flat, use the water soluble fabric glue stick to adhere the topper to the hoop itself.
13. Sew the next color change(s). Stop after you have sewn the color change called “Ribbon Placement” on your thread chart. **Photo 7**
 14. To make turning the design easier later, trim any jump stitches now.
 15. Use the fabric glue stick to adhere the ribbon tags made earlier to the design. The looped ends of the tags should be turned so that they are INSIDE the design, and the cut ends of the tags should be facing OUT, lining up with the placement stitch. **Photo 8**



- NOTE: It is very important to make sure the looped ends of your tags do not go past the outside edge of the design (This is called “Basting Stitch” on your thread chart.) If the looped ends of the tags go outside the basting stitch they will be sewn into the Seam at the end, ruining the design. **Photo 9**
 - Tip- before the next color change, we recommend you switch from your standard embroidery foot to one that will be less likely to pick up the ribbon instead of sewing over it. We used a foot with a clear disc. **Photo 10**
 - Note: Switching feet may decrease the size of your possible sewing area on the machine. However, the next color change will only sew over the ribbons your just placed.
16. Slow your machine speed down.
 17. Be ready with a pencil or other device to hold the ribbon down. DO NOT use your fingers to hold down the ribbon!
 18. Sew the next color change. This is called “Ribbon Tackdown Stitch” on your thread chart. **Photo 11**
 19. Put the standard embroidery foot back on the machine for the rest of the design.
 20. Spray the right side of the second piece of Minkee® fabric using a water soluble spray adhesive.
 21. Place the fabric right-side-down over your design. Make sure to completely cover the “Basting Stitch”. **Photo 12**



22. Sew the last color change. This will be called “Seam” on your thread chart. **Photo 13**
- NOTE: Match the thread color to the color of your Minkee.® We used contrasting thread here for picture purposes.
23. Remove the hoop from the machine and the design from the hoop
24. Trim around the outside edge of the design. Do not worry about cutting over the ribbon placement stitch but do not cut the seam stitch. **Photo 14**



- TIP: we used pinking shears to cut around the design, and then cut into the corners closer with sewing scissors. This helped the design turn easier, and look nicer after it was turned. **Photo 15**
25. Cut a slit in the back of the design **Photo 16**
 26. Turn the Minkee® Tag Toy inside out. Use a pencil or chop stick to get into the tight corners. Pulling on the ribbon tags also helps the turning process. **Photos 17 & 18**
 - Tip- for small parts that are hard to turn (like ears) remove some of the wash away topper. This makes turning much easier. **Photo 19**
 27. Remove any remaining wash away topper.
 28. Stuff your Minkee® Tag Toy with your favorite pillow stuffing. You can also put a squeaker in at this point.
 29. Sew the back slit shut using a whip stitch.
 30. Enjoy your Minkee® Tag Toy! **Photo 20**

