

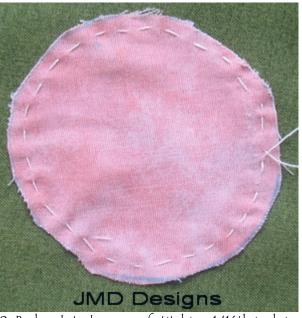
Applique Circle Tutorial - Written and Designed by Janet M. McDonald -Davies

There are a few methods for making a round appliqué circle. Below is the easiest I have found.



1. From thin cardboard (cereal box) cut a circle the finished size you want the applique circle.

Cut circle fabric 1/8 inch larger than the cardboard circle template.



2. By hand, tack a row of stitching 1/16th inch in from the edge of your fabric circle.



3. Place the cardboard template on the wrong side of fabric and gather up the tacking thread. Tie off the ends of the tacking thread firmly but don't bend/warp the cardboard.



4. Make sure the other side is sitting smooth and iron both sides of the fabric/template. Do not use steam.

5. Important: Let the whole fabric circle and template cool down after ironing, as it helps set the

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crispness of the circle edge.



6. Carefully remove tacking thread and cardboard template.



7. Place the circle onto your main fabric tucking under the edges. Pin in place.



8. Tack the circle onto the main fabric.



9. Sew the circles in place around their edge using Ladder stitch. Remove tacking thread.



10. Left shows a row of finished circles which I have then top stitched with Running stitch to decorate.

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