# Skellington Felt Ornament

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The Skellington stitches in the 4x4" hoop (100x100mm) in about 6 minutes. The finished ornament measures approximately 3x2.9".

*You will need*
- *Two 4x4 pieces of white felt*
- *Medium weight tear-away stabilizer*

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1.  Hoop a double layer of tear-away stabilizer in the 4x4" (100x100mm) hoop.



2. Lightly spray a 4x4" piece of white felt with temporary adhesive and press it in place in the center of the hoop.



3. Stitch the first color (the outline) and pause the machine. Remove the hoop from the machine, but do not unhoop the design.

4. Using curved scissors or sharp nail scissors, carefully trim away the excess felt and fabric from around the outside of the stitching line, cutting as close as possible to the stitching without cutting the stitches.

5. Return the hoop to the machine and stitch the next color (black, for Skellington's features). Pause the machine and remove the hoop, but do not unhoop the design.

6. Turn the hoop face down to add the felt backing. You will be able to see the stitching clearly.

7. Keeping the hoop face down, place a second 4x4" piece of white felt over the back of the design so that it none of the stitching can be seen.  Use masking tape at the corners to secure the felt backing.



8. Return the hoop to the machine, working  carefully so that the tape remains in place, and stitch the next color only. (This shows as yellow in the design file, but you can stitch it in silver grey). Pause the machine and remove the hoop. Do not unhoop the design.



9. Turn the hoop face down. Using the curved scissors, once again carefully trim away the excess felt and fabric from the back of the from around the outside of the stitching line, cutting as close as possible to the stitching without cutting the stitches.  Return the hoop to the machine.

10. Return the hoop to the machine for one last time, again working carefully so that the tape remains in place, and stitch the final color (silver grey).



11. Remove the hoop from the machine. Unhoop the finished design and carefully remove the tear-away stabilizer from around the stitched design. It should loosen and remove easily from between the layers of felt.



12. Using a stylus, skewer, or the point of a sharp scissors, carefully poke a hole through the stitched eyelet at the top of the ornament to accommodate a hook or a string.

12. The finished Skellington ornament is ready to hang from the tree.