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SOLFLEECE

WATER SOLUBLE EMBROIDERY BACKER

Solfleece is a water soluble, stabilizing nonwoven, and with additional very good processing properties. It supports your implementation of creative ideas. Whether as embroidery backing or support material for new creative ideas, Solfleece is very versatile.

Solfleece is designed to be washed out without leaving any traces and dissolves in cold water and temperatures up to 25° - 30° C. This is very important because although Solfleece is needed during the processing, it should no longer be visible later.

The special properties of Solfleece make it possible to manufacture very fine embroidery on transparent fabrics and also embroideries without any use of fabric as base material (such as lace). The result is very clean without ragged edges.

For a clean result with lace, use two layers of Solfleece. To embroider transparent or very fine fabrics, place the outer fabric between two layers of Solfleece. Afterwards simply wash it out.

The CRAZY-technique is applicable only thanks to Solfleece (further information at the back page).

Solfleece also helps you to 'CRASH' materials in combination with Bondaweb® to stabilize them permanently (further information at the back page).

More application ideas will arise while working with Solfleece. Simply try out the material.

Width: 90 cm // 100% PVAL // // Wash out in cold water - do not tear off!





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PERMANENT CRASHING – STEP BY STEP:

1. Place two layers of Bondaweb® (without the paper) on the wrong side of the fabric. Then, put one layer of Solfleece on it.
2. Sew it in parallel lines (e.g. in a distance of about 1 cm.) or irregular.
3. Place the steam-iron on the highest setting and steam the Solfleece by holding the iron just above the Solfleece and "hover" – DO NOT IRON! The Solfleece will contract, gathering the fabric and generating the "smock" effect. When the fabric stops shrinking the process is finished. The size of the "smocking" is determined by how the fabric is tucked in. A uniform "smock effect" is achieved by sewing with even sewing lines. Sewing the fabric in a criss-cross or random way, will create an irregular smocking effect.
4. Repeat this process 2-3 times on each side.
5. Processed fabric has to be cooled down after Crashing for a minimum of 1 hour. After, the Solfleece should be washed out several times and dried accordingly.
6. The Bondaweb® holds the fabric work permanently in the desired crashed condition.

PROCESSING

HOW DO I USE SOLFLEECE IN 'CRAZY PATCHWORK'?



1. First, place a layer of Solfleece. Then arrange your textile material (fabrics, yarns, ribbons, lace, etc.) on to the Solfleece.
2. Place another layer of Solfleece on top and secure it with pins.
3. Prefigure contours with a phantom pin as desired. Then sew the two layers with the sewing machine, in a parallel or random pattern – anything is possible.
4. Afterwards wash out Solfleece. The result is your self-created outer fabric in a very individual look.



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