



Pleasant Kitchen Dishtowels



Materials

- ❖ 7 floursack dishtowels, any size
- ❖ 4" embroidery hoop
- ❖ 2 skeins black embroidery floss
- ❖ Very-fine-point washable fabric marker
- ❖ Enough ¾" calico binding to trim each towel, amount dependent on how big your dishtowel is (see below)

Directions

Pre-wash the dishtowels and the calico fabric you'll be using for trim (separately, if necessary); dry towels and fabric and press. Trim wobbly edges and manufacturer's hem from each dishtowel so that you have smooth raw edges.

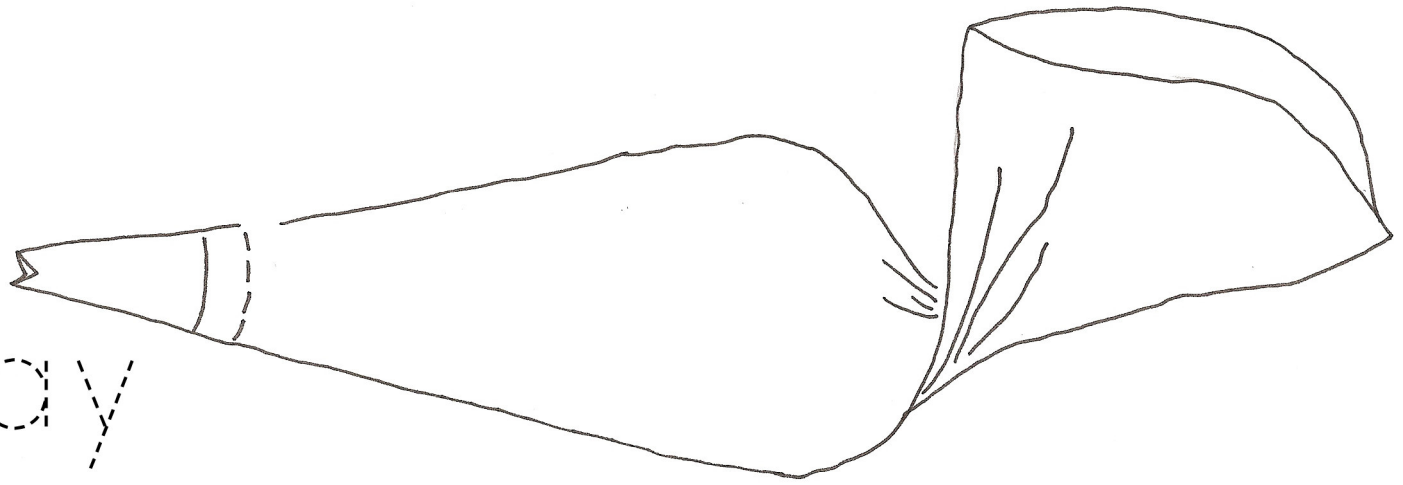
To transfer designs to dishtowels, place design right side up on light box or bright window and tape it in place. Place the dishtowel right side up on top of the design, and tape it to keep from shifting. Trace the design with the marker and embroider using backstitch and running stitch, using 2 strands on text and major parts of design, and 1 strand on fine details.

To bind edges of each dishtowel, stitch enough 1½" straight-grain-cut strips of fabric together at short ends with straight seams to go around towel comfortably. Feed fabric strip through large end of tape maker and press tape as it comes out small end. Attach binding by machine and hand around each edge, starting near (but not at) bottom left corner, and mitering all corners. Using different calicos for each towel would be adorable, I think.

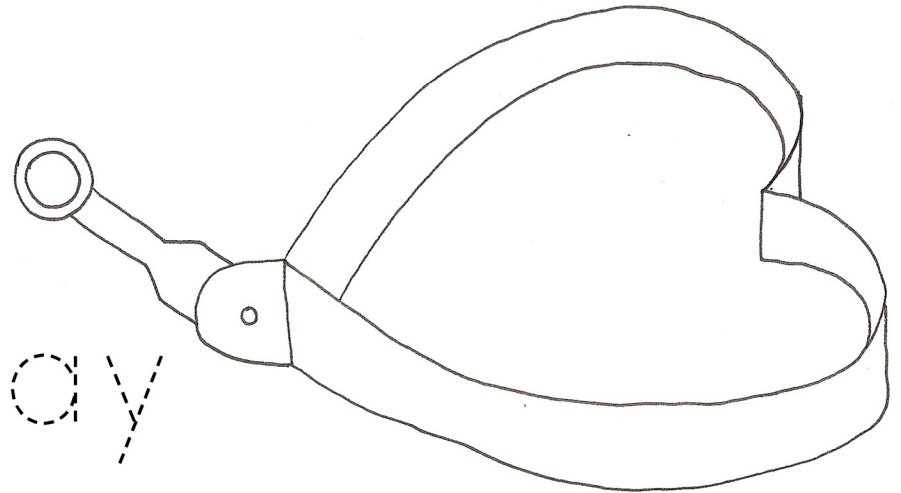
To make your life easier, you could also hem all edges of towel and machine stitch. Embroider running stitch border on top of machine stitch with 2 strands of floss.

Take your time, have fun, and enjoy these!

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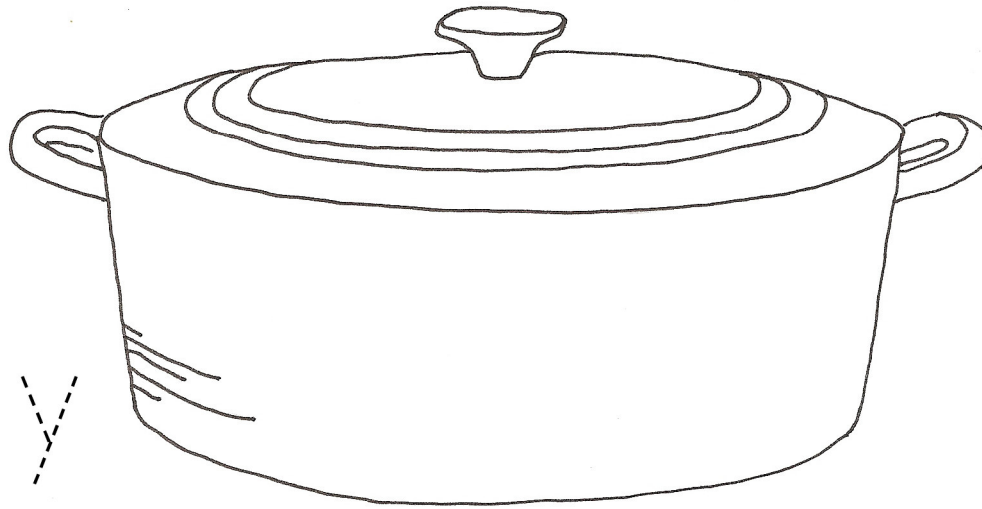
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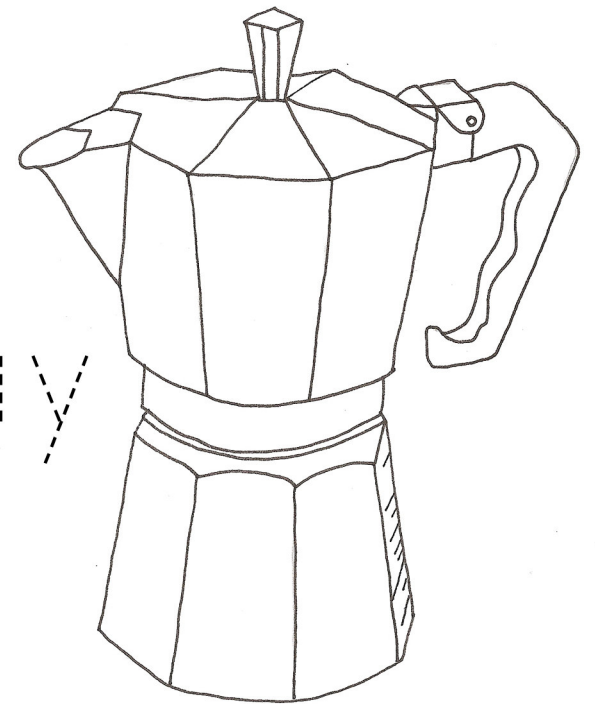
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