Women’s League for Conservative Judaism

HALLAH COVER

A very delicate, exquisite Hallah cover in shadow appliqué; size = 14½” x 18½”

DIRECTIONS:

1. Place design under white organza and trace.

2. Baste piece of pellum (same size as organza) as lining – with large stitches to hold organza in place.

3. Embroider with chain stitch, using silk buttonhole twist thread, on lines of design, thereby attaching pellum securely. Parts of design may be effective if filled in with satin stitch, French knots or more chain stitch. Mrs. Shapiro used white buttonhole thread, but any color combination can be used. She filled in the grapes completely with chain stitches.

4. For border, make chain stitch around outer edges of cloth. Make another row of chain stitch about ½” from outside edges to complete border.

5. With embroidery scissors, cut away the pellum along outside stitches of the design.

6. This cloth is completely washable.

DIRECTIONS FOR ORGANZA LINING INSTEAD OF PELLUM:

1. Using white or colored organza, follow step 1 of above directions.

2. Trace design on 2nd piece of organza.

3. Cut lining design and border leaving ¼” extra for very narrow rolled hem.

4. Baste lining to Hallah cover using large stitches, making sure that wrong side of hem is facing back of Hallah cover.

5. Proceed with step 3 and 4 of directions above. You may wish to embroider two rows of chain stitch if one row does not cover hem.

6. Eliminate step 5 from directions above. (There is no pellum to cut)

7. This design would make a beautiful center for a tablecloth, repeating 5 scrolls, flowers and grapes for border of cloth. It would be exquisite in shadow appliqué made of no-iron organza, or design can be embroidered on linen or some other material. Very suitable for a Shabbat tablecloth.

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