FERN APPLIQUE

We’ve reimagined the staghorn fern in wool felt to create a verdant work of art. Make your own using our pattern and instructions.

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MATERIALS
• Fern template, right
• Freezer paper
• Pencil
• Scissors
• Iron
• Wool felt in assorted greens
• Linen or cotton canvas
• Oval canvas frame (about 9”×12” if printing template at 100 percent)
• Pins or fabric glue stick
• Staple gun
• Embroidery needle
• Embroidery floss in colors to match felt

INSTRUCTIONS
1 Print the fern template.
2 Trace template onto nonshiny side of freezer paper.
3 Cut out each piece of the template and iron shiny side down onto the various colors of felt. Cut out pieces and remove freezer paper.
4 Cut out a piece of linen or cotton canvas so that it is large enough to wrap to the back of the frame.
5 Arrange felt pieces on canvas as shown, above, pinning or adhering with a fabric glue stick.
6 Stretch fabric onto frame; staple to back.
7 Thread needle with three strands of embroidery floss, matching floss to the color of the felt.
8 Whipstitch each felt piece onto the canvas, keeping stitches tiny. Repeat to complete.