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Autograph Book Jacket Cover with Purple Fantasy Font.

The cover was sewn from sacking cloth, and decorated with the word "Autographs", embroidered with multicolor thread. The letters are from **Purple Fantasy** alphabet. Scroll down to see photos, and read instructions for this project:



Step-By-Step Instruction:

Use the book's paper jacket cover as a pattern. Measure this pattern lengthwise and widthwise. Add at least 1/2" seam allowance to all sides. Use these measurements for the final cutting.

If no paper jacket, measure the length of the book opened, and include extra for the inside flaps. I used 2" extra on each end (a total of 5 inches). You will also need to allow at least " additional all around for hems.

Using your pattern cut the fabric and interfacing larger on all sides than you will actually need; this will allow adjustment after embroidering your cover.

Iron the appropriate interfacing to fabric. Lay your material loosely around the book and mark the area in which to embroider.

Embroider your design. Then lay your pattern on the material and cut out the book jacket cover. Don't forget to allow at least 1/2 inch on all sides for hemming.

I used Purple Fantasy and Script alphabet letters. I digitized the feather and dash-dot border myself.

Next I surged a rolled hem on all sides of the book jacket, or you could make a narrow 1/4" hem.

Turn the flaps in on the ends of the book jacket, right sides together and stitch 1/2" seams. Turn your cover right side out.

Press in a 1/2" seam allowance on the remainder of the book cover with a steam iron. (Press in 1/4" seam allowance if you didn't surge the ends, but rather made a narrow 1/4" hem.) Topstitch along the folded edge of this pressed seam allowance.

Put the book jacket on while the cover is still warm; this allows some give in the fabric and makes it easier to work with.

Here is a link to get the **Purple Fantasy alphabet** used in this project:

http://www.abc-embroidery-designs.com/Alphabets_Designs/PurpleFantasy.html

Tips:

1. If you want to use more than one letter to make a word or monogram, like in this project, you may want to align and join them into a single file using your embroidery software. It's easier than aligning each one separately using the paper template method. So if you manage to keep within your largest hoop - go for it.

2. If your fabric pieces are too small, too delicate, too slippery or too fat for hooping, you may hoop only a piece of cutaway backing, spray temporary adhesive spray on it, then stick the fabric in appropriate spot and embroider whatever you need to embroider. To get some cutaway backing and temporary adhesive spray, please visit our stabilizers section:

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Photos and instructions for this cute bib have been provided by Jean Gyure from Atlantic Beach. Jean, thank you so much for the elegant project!

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