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# ECLECTIC ELEMENTS

## Eclectic Embroidered Towels

Featuring : Tim Holtz Eclectic Elements  
for Coats® Correspondence collection,  
Eclectic Elements Craft® Thread

Create these fun eclectic embellished towels  
featuring Tim Holtz fabrics and handstitched detail  
using Eclectic Elements by Coats Craft Thread.  
Each towel is easy to do in an evening, using  
purchased “blank” towels.

Collection:	<b>Tim Holtz Eclectic Elements for Coats® Correspondence collection, Eclectic Elements Craft® Thread</b>
Technique:	Hand Embroidery
Skill Level:	Beginner
Crafting Time:	an evening per towel*
Finished Size:	Size of purchased towel

\*Crafting time based on Beginner skill level



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Project designed by Marie Duncan

## Fabric Requirements

DESIGN	COLOR	ARTICLE CODE	YARDAGE
(A) <b>Correspondence</b>	Tailored	PWTH055.8BLUE	¼ yard (10.16cm)
(B) <b>Correspondence</b>	Jet Setter	PWTH040.8REDX	⅛ yard (10.16cm)
(C) <b>Correspondence</b>	Symmetrical	PWTH053.8REDX	¼ yard (10.16cm)
(D) <b>Correspondence</b>	Transportation Tickets	PWTH052.8MULT	¼ yard (10.16cm)



(A)



(B)



(C)



(D)

## Additional Requirements

- **Tim Holtz Eclectic Elements by Coats Craft® Thread, CA00011**
- 4 blank dish towels (We use Aunt Martha's Stitch'em up Retro Stripe towels)
- Needle threader
- Hand needle with large eye

  
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### Cutting

#### From:

##### TOWEL 1

**Fabric A** PWITH055.8BLUE

one rectangle 2½" x 18" (6.35cm x 48.26cm)

**Fabric B** PWITH040.8REDX

one rectangle 1½" x 9" (3.81cm x 22.86cm)

**Fabric C** PWITH053.8REDX

one rectangle 4½" x 2½" (11.43cm x 6.35cm)

##### TOWEL 2

**Fabric D** PWITH052.8MULT

one rectangle 4" x 18" (10.16cm x 48.26cm)

**Fabric B** PWITH040.8REDX

one rectangle 2" x 9" (5.08cm x 22.86cm)

##### TOWEL 3

**Fabric C** PWITH053.8REDX

one rectangle 3" x 18" (7.62cm x 48.26cm)

**Fabric B** PWITH040.8REDX

one rectangle 1¾" x 8" (4.44cm x 20.32cm)

**Fabric A** PWITH055.8BLUE

one rectangle 3" x 4" (7.62cm x 10.16cm)

**Fabric D** PWITH052.8MULT

one square 3½" x 3½" (8.89cm x 8.89cm)

##### TOWEL 4

**Fabric A** PWITH055.8BLUE

one rectangle 3" x 4" (7.62cm x 10.16cm)

**Fabric D** PWITH052.8MULT

one rectangle 3¼" x 6" (8.25cm x 15.24cm)

**Fabric C** PWITH053.8REDX

one square 2½" x 2½" (6.35cm x 6.35cm)

### Preparation

- Press under ¼" (.635cm) to the wrong side on all sides of all the cut fabrics.
- The loop on the corner of the towel is at the top of the towel.
- Hand or machine baste each piece in place, before doing the hand embroidery details.
- All hand embroidery is done with Tim Holtz Eclectic Elements by Coats Craft Thread CA00011.



### Sewing

#### TOWEL 1

1. Pin **Fabric A** strip 2½" x 18" (6.35cm x 48.26cm) across the bottom of the towel, ½" above the bottom stripe. See photograph for placement detail.
2. Stitch the Buttonhole stitch around all four sides of the rectangle, securing it to the towel.
3. Place **Fabric B** 1½" x 9" (3.81cm x 22.86cm) rectangle centered on the **Fabric A** strip, ¼" (.635cm) in from the right hand edge of the **Fabric rectangle A**. See photograph for placement detail. Pin in place.
4. Stitch the Herringbone stitch around all four sides of the rectangle, securing it to the towel.

5. Place **Fabric C** PWITH053.8REDX 4½" x 2½" (11.43cm x 6.35cm) rectangle at the end of **Fabric B** rectangle. The right hand edge of the strip should align on the vertical center of the towel. The bottom of the rectangle should be at the top of the top stripe of the towel. See photograph for placement detail. Pin in place.
6. Stitch the Cross stitch around all four sides of the rectangle, securing it to the towel.

#### TOWEL 2

7. Place **Fabric D** rectangle 4" x 18" (10.16cm x 48.26cm) aligned with the top stripe on the towel. See photograph for placement detail. Pin in place.
8. Stitch the Buttonhole stitch around all four sides of the rectangle, securing it to the towel.
9. Place **Fabric B** rectangle 2" x 9" (5.08cm x 22.86cm) centered on the **Fabric D** rectangle. See photograph for placement detail. Pin in place.
10. Stitch in place around all four sides of the rectangle using a Running stitch, securing the rectangle to the towel.

#### TOWEL 3

11. Place **Fabric C** rectangle 3" x 18" (7.62cm x 48.26cm) ½" (1.27cm) above the upper stripe of the towel. See photograph for placement detail. Pin in place.
12. Stitch the Uneven Buttonhole stitch around all four sides of the rectangle, securing it to the towel.
13. Place **Fabric B** rectangle 1¾" x 8" (4.44cm x 20.32cm) vertical, 6" in from the right edge of the towel, and even with the bottom hem. See photograph for placement detail. Pin in place.



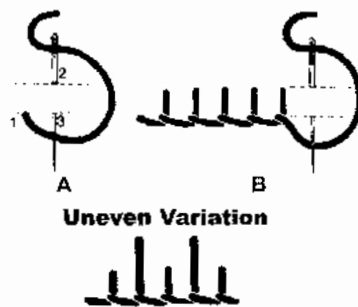
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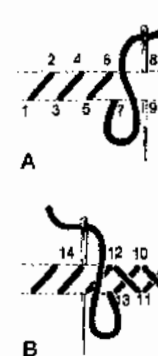
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14. Stitch in place around all four sides of the rectangle using a Running stitch, securing the rectangle to the towel.
15. Place **Fabric A** rectangle 3½" high x 4" wide (8.89cm x 10.16cm) centered on the **Fabric C** band (the edges will extend over the edge by about ¼" (.635cm) and even with the left side of the **Fabric B** band. See photograph for placement detail.
16. Stitch the Cross stitch around all four sides of the rectangle, securing it to the towel.
17. Place **Fabric D** square 3½" x 3½" (8.89cm x 8.89cm) diagonally over the intersection of the other rectangles. See photograph for placement detail.
18. Stitch the Buttonhole stitch around all four sides of the square, securing it to the towel.

## BUTTONHOLE STITCH



## CROSS STITCH



## TOWEL 4

19. Place **Fabric A** rectangle 3" x 4" (7.62cm x 10.16cm) diagonally, with the bottom point centered from side to side, on the top of the top stripe. See photograph for placement detail.
20. Stitch the Cross stitch around all four sides of the rectangle, securing it to the towel.
21. Place **Fabric D** rectangle 3¼" x 6" (8.25cm x 15.24cm) vertically over the left edge of **Fabric A** rectangle, with the bottom even with the top of the top stripe. The right edge of the rectangle should be along the center of the towel. See photograph for placement detail.
22. Stitch the Blanket stitch around all four sides of the rectangle, securing it to the towel.
23. Place **Fabric C** square 2½" x 2½" (6.35cm x 6.35cm) centered over the other two rectangles. See photograph for placement detail.
24. Stitch a running stitch around all four sides of the square securing it to the towel.

## HERRINGBONE STITCH

