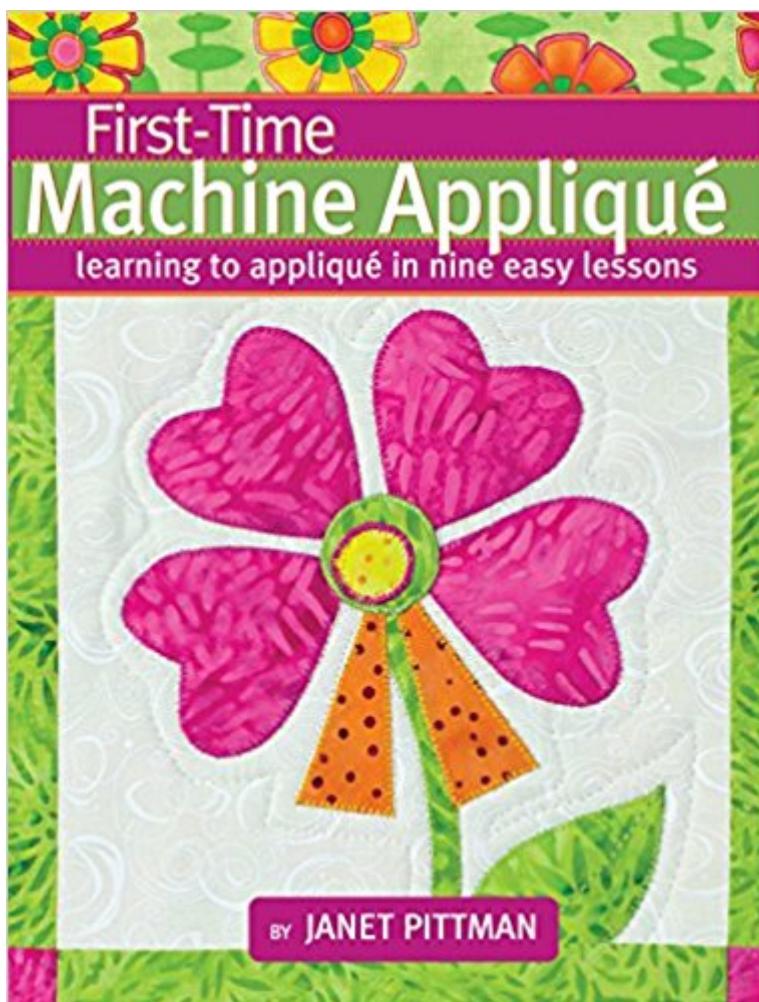


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# First-Time Machine AppliquÃ©: Learning To Applique In Nine Easy Lessons



## Synopsis

In this third book of the best-selling First-Time series, Janet Pittman author of the best-seller Applique The basics & beyond and the popular, Colorful Quilts for Playful Kids teaches the basics of machine appliquÃ© in 9 easy lessons. Practice your newly acquired skills on 5 projects including a lap throw, tote bag and seasonal table runner. Each project uses a combination of lessons. Janet even shows you how to machine appliquÃ© on purchased items such as aprons and towels. Learn about equipment and supplies, fabrics and threads, how to prepare fused appliquÃ©, how to prepare turned-edge appliquÃ©, how to arrange appliquÃ©, the basics of machine appliquÃ© stitching, about favorite appliquÃ© stitches, bias seams, and then put all of your skills together in a fun project. Plus there is a bonus lesson on using the decorative stitches on your machine! Complete step-by-step how-to photography. Accurate and concise instructions. Full-size templates. Full color throughout.

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First-Time Machine AppliquÃ© learning to appliquÃ© in nine easy lessons lives up to its title as a step-by-step, how-to guide to creating wonderful needlecraft decorations with machine appliquÃ©. Full-color photography illustrating nearly every action, reproducible patterns for hands-on practice, and step-by-step instructions fill this user-friendly guide. Highly recommended, especially for needle-crafters seeking to take their hobby to the next level! --Midwest Book Review; December, 2013 Anyone wanting to learn machine appliquÃ© will want to pick up Janet Pittman's new book "First-Time Machine AppliquÃ© learning to appliquÃ© in nine easy lessons." Like the title says,

there are nine lessons in this book. They walk you through the entire process. Lesson One begins with Equipment & Supplies and Lesson Nine has you putting it all together. Along the way, you will learn about fusible materials and stabilizers and how to use them. Preparing both fused appliquÃ© and turned-edge appliquÃ© are presented in easy-to-understand, step-by-step instructions with detailed photos. Next you will learn how to arrange the appliquÃ© pieces, including pre-fusing appliquÃ© pieces. On to machine stitching basics and looking at stitches and finally you will learn how to prepare bias stems using fusible web. You will be able to practice on any of the five projects in the book, including a lap throw quilt, an appliquÃ©d tote bag and a seasonal quilted table runner. Many include a bonus lesson on using the decorative stitches found on your sewing machine. All are presented with step-by-step photography, concise instructions, full-size templates and color throughout. --The Applique Society Newsletter; March/April, 2014 Janet will teach you how to prepare fused appliquÃ© and to turned-edge appliquÃ© on your sewing machine while exploring the basics of appliquÃ© layout and design. She will also show you how to practice your machine appliquÃ© skills on the five easy projects for beginners. These include a lap throw quilt, a tote bag, and a table runner. Learn how to machine appliquÃ© on purchased items such as aprons, clothing and towels. --Quilters' Digest; September, 2013

Quilt artist Janet Pittman has been designing her own quilts since 1994 and quilt patterns since 1998. Her designs are stitched and then embellished to add natural texture and dimension for realistic appliquÃ©. As an experienced artist, quilter, and instructor, she knows how to create patterns with appeal and devise clear instructions. Janet has had her designs in national magazines and finds inspiration from her extensive garden. She is the author of the best-selling book *Applique The basics & beyond* and the popular *Colorful Quilts for Playful Kids*

This book was very helpful to me. I was better able to understand how to applique.

Clear instruction and lots of inspiration.

If you have never done applique, this book will walk you through the many ways it can be accomplished. It is set up in nine lessons beginning with what materials you will need. From fused to turned edge to machine stitching to actually putting it all together, Ms. Pittman presents the how-to with the written word and lots of graphics. After the last lesson, you will find the templates for the applique pieces used in book. There are five projects which include a lap throw, a wall hanging, a

pillow, a tote bag and a table runner. Once you master these, you will be ready to create a project of your own choice — maybe a quilt for that favorite person in your life.

This is written with clarity and easy to follow demos. Thank you for writing the book.

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