



Chocolate Applesauce Cupcakes

Yield: 12 cupcakes

- ½ cup shortening
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup applesauce
- 1½ cups sifted all-purpose flour
- ½ cup dry breakfast cocoa mixture
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon nutmeg
- ¼ teaspoon allspice
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon water
- Your favorite frosting

1. Preheat the oven to 350°F. Line muffin cups with baking paper liners.
2. Cream shortening and sugar together until light and fluffy; add the egg and beat well. Add applesauce and combine well.
3. Sift flour, cocoa, and spices together three times and add to the applesauce mixture.
4. Dissolve baking soda in water; add to the mixture. Divide batter between the lined muffin cups.
5. Bake for 25 to 30 minutes, allow to cool and frost as desired.

Happy Birthday Cupcake

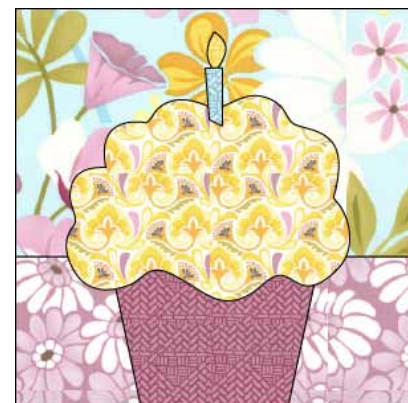
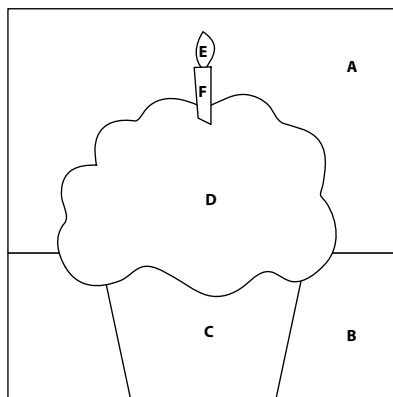


Figure 1
Finished Size: 8" square

Fabric Requirements

- 6" x 12" scrap of print for background A
- 4" x 9" scrap of print for tablecloth B
- 4" x 5" scrap of print for cupcake bottom C
- 4 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangle print for frosting D
- Scrap of yellow print for flame E
- Scrap of print for candle F
- Fusible web

Cutting

Background print	A	(1) 5 1/2" x 8 1/2" rectangle
Tablecloth print	B	(1) 3 1/2" x 8 1/2" rectangle
Appliqués	C-F	See "Make the Block."

Make the Block

Use 1/4"-wide seam allowances.

1. Trace the appliqués (C-F) on page 3 onto the paper side of the fusible web, leaving at least 1/4" between shapes. Cut out each shape with a 1/8" margin beyond the drawn line.
2. Apply each shape to the wrong side of the appropriate fabric scrap and cut out on the drawn line.



3. Remove the backing paper from the cupcake bottom C and center on the tablecloth rectangle B. Fuse in place. Figure 2.

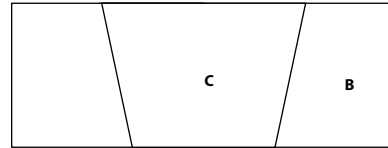


Figure 2

4. With right sides together, sew the background rectangle A to the tablecloth rectangle B. Press the seam allowances toward the background. Figure 3.

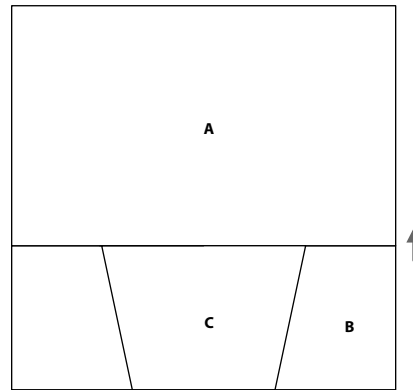


Figure 3

5. Remove the backing paper from the frosting D, flame E, and candle F. Arrange on cupcake block as shown in Figure 1 and fuse in place.
6. Blanket-stitch or satin-stitch by machine over the raw edges of each appliqué in matching or contrasting color thread as desired to finish and secure the raw edges.
7. Embellish with beads, buttons, and decorative stitching as desired.

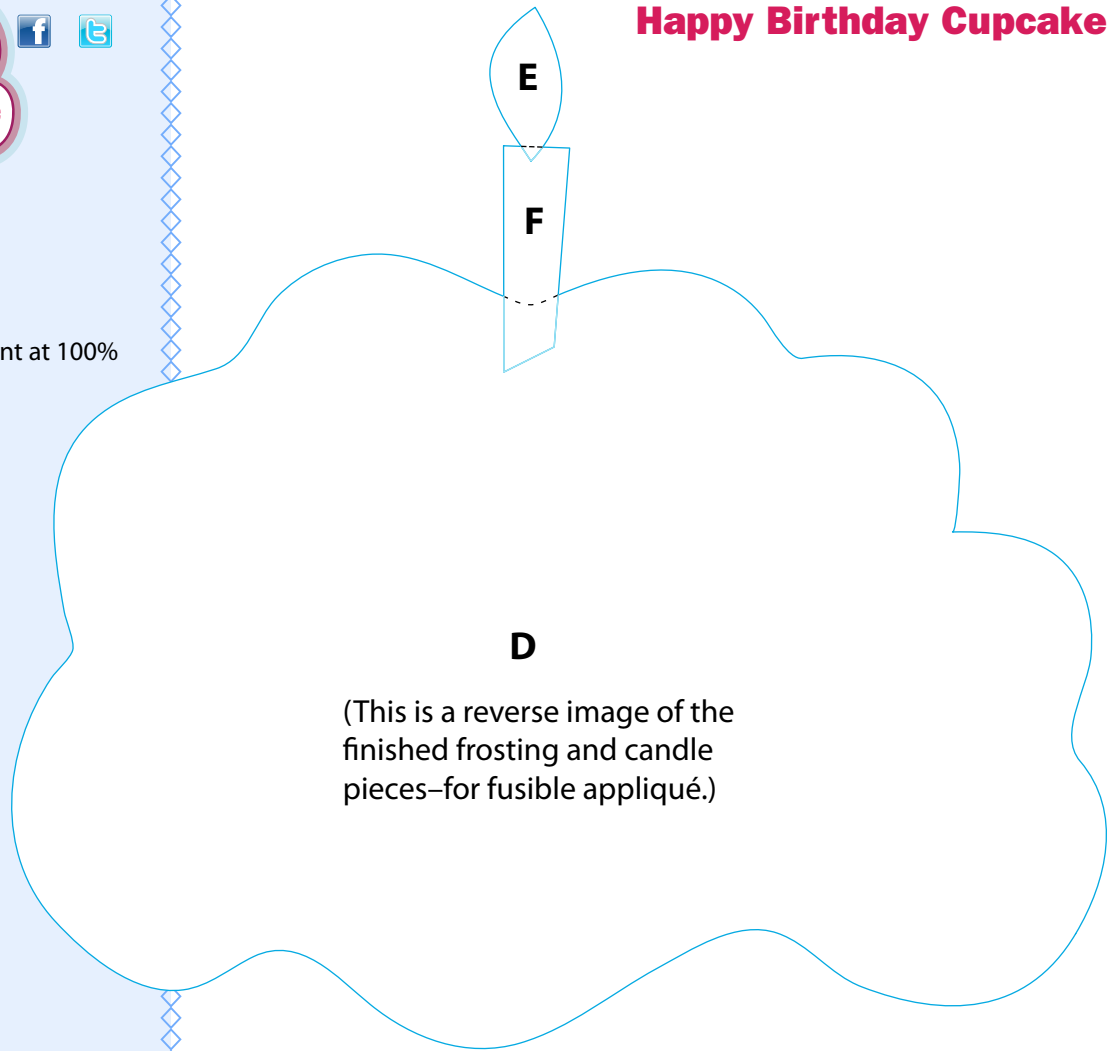


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Appliqué Templates

PRINTING INSTRUCTIONS

Be sure your printer is set up to print at 100% – not scaled or reduced to fit.



(This is a reverse image of the finished frosting and candle pieces—for fusible appliqué.)

