

FTCU MASTERCLASS BY D.J. ANDERSON

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WHAT WE'LL DISCUSS

- Auto Digitizing The Good & Bad
- The Type of Artwork That Will Work Best
- Magic Wand & Auto Redwork Tool
- Auto Artwork Wizard
- · Auto Digitizing Wizard
- Auto Cross Stitch Wizard
- Auto Photo Stitches Wizard
- Photo 2 Stitches Tool
- Getting the Best Results

AUTO DIGITIZING: THE GOOD & BAD

- · Auto Digitizing vs Manual Digitizing
- Is All Auto Digitizing Bad?
- Realistic Expectations

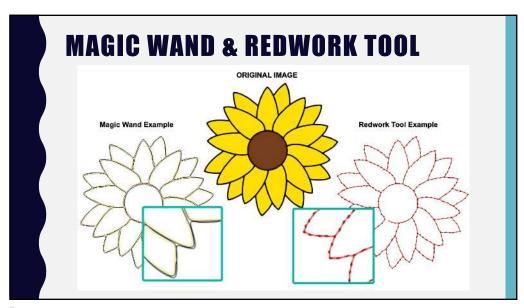
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TIPS FOR GETTING BEST RESULTS

- 1. High-quality images will produce better results than poor-quality images.
- 2. Pay attention to the size of the image. This is extremely important.
- 3. Play with the settings to see if you can get better results.
- 4. It is important to understand that auto-converting images to embroidery and artwork have their limitations. You will not be able to get good results for everything. Some things must be manually digitized to work. For the standard auto wizard tools, the simpler the image the better. For the Photo 2 Stitches tool, you can get more detail.
- 5. You can be forced to spend a lot of time editing auto-digitized designs in order to get the results you want.





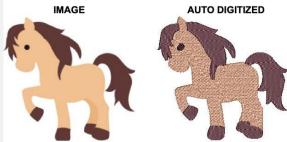


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AUTO ARTWORK WIZARD Use this tool to convert an image file into vector artwork What is vector artwork and how is it different? Why is it considered the best form to use? What can you do with vector artwork? Garbage In, Garbage Out Let's check it out.

AUTO DIGITIZING WIZARD

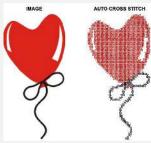
- Use this tool to turn image files into embroidery digitized designs.
- It is like the Auto Artwork Wizard but goes one step further and converts the artwork shapes into embroidery stitches.
- Garbage In, Garbage Out
- · Let's look at this tool



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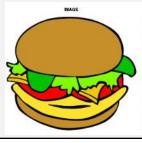
AUTO CROSS STITCH WIZARD

- Use this tool to convert an image into a cross stitch embroidery design.
- This tool is like the Auto Digitizing Wizard, but it turns the artwork into a cross stitch instead
 of standard embroidery stitches.
- Designs need to be simple and usually on the larger side.
- Garbage In, Garbage Out
- · Let's look at this tool



AUTO PHOTO STITCH WIZARD

- Use this tool to turn images into embroidery stitches.
- Not to be confused with Photo 2 Stitches
- The tool works best with less detailed images
- Let's look at the tool





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PHOTO 2 STITCHES TOOL

- Use this tool to convert images into detailed embroidery designs
- This tool works best when there is a contrast in images
- If you use specific settings, you'll get the best results
- · Let's look at this tool

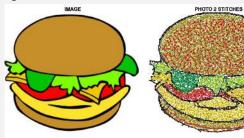


PHOTO 2 STITCHES TOOL RECIPE GUIDE

IMPORTANT SETTINGS

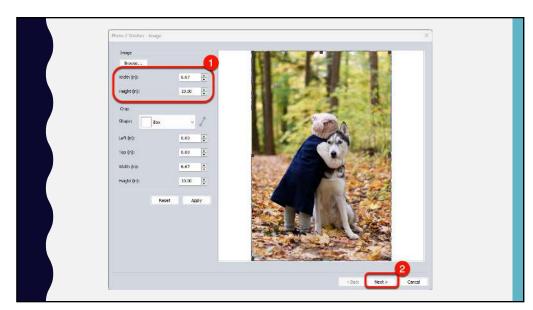
Photo 2 Stitches – Images Page

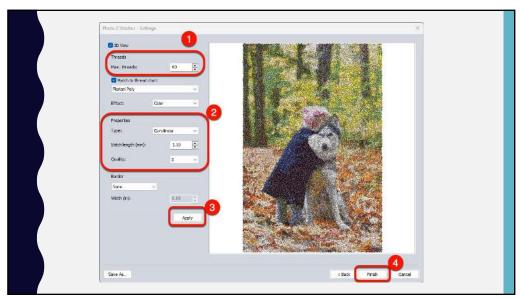
 Make sure to set the appropriate width and height for the image. This needs to be set to the size you want to stitch it out at. This is the most important item on this page. I generally don't touch the other settings on this page.

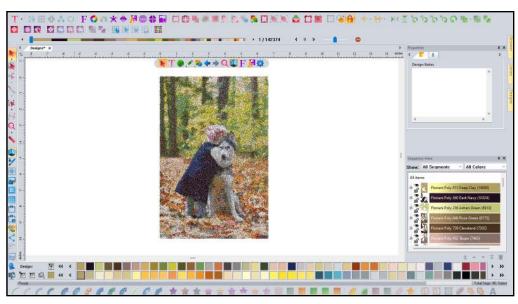
Photo 2 Stitches – Settings Page

- I. Set "Max.Threads:" to 60
- 2. Properties (this settings consistently get you the BEST results)
 - I. Type: Curvilinear
 - 2. Stitch Length: 1.5mm
 - 3. Quality 3
 - 4. Press "Apply", then finish

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GETTING THE BEST RESULTS

- Using the right tool for the image.
- Use the Auto Artwork Wizard to convert the image to vector artwork shapes. Then, convert the shapes into embroidery.
- Some editing may be required.
- Pay attention to the size
- Remember, not every image will work with auto-digitizing tools

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PRACTICE TIPS

- Use each image that comes in the software with the different Auto Digitizing Wizard tools. This will help you get an understanding of how each works with different images.
- Then, Find some images online and run them through the wizards. You might want to look for images on the Unsplash.com website. They offer free-use images.
- The more you play with the wizards with different images, the better you will be at recognizing what would/would not be a good candidate.
- Remember, Photo 2 Stitches is what you want to use to turn more detailed photos into embroidery.