## HINTS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR FABRIC PRINTING

- The fabric and the backing paper must be tight and flat together. If the backing
  and fabric separate, use a hot iron on the paper side to reseal the paper and fabric.
  Should the sheet curl, use a hot iron on the fabric side to help flatten. While still
  warm, carefully reverse roll the sheet.
- If using a digital photo, the higher the dpi, the better the image will look. The better quality photo image produces the better quality fabric sheet image.
- Before you load any fabric sheet into your printer, be sure to trim off loose threads- do not pull them! Also remove lint or loose threads from the fabric side of the sheet.
- Do not force a fabric sheet into any printer. Place the sheet flush against the paper guide and square with the entry rollers.
- Feed single sheets. If you are using a front loading HP Inkjet Printer, the fabric side goes down and the paper or stabilizer side goes up in the feed tray.
- Humidity and storage conditions of the fabric-backed sheets will affect its
  performance. Store flat in low humidity conditions. Other factors affecting
  performance are the age of your printer and the conditions of the pickup and drive
  rollers inside the printer.
- Print your image on paper using "Quick" or "Fast" mode before printing on fabric, to be sure it's just how you want it to look.
- When ready to print, select "Print" then select "Properties" or "Settings". In the pull down, select "Plain Paper" or "Thick Plain Paper". Print in "Best" mode.
- Always let the printed fabric <u>with backing</u>, sit for at least 30 minutes before sewing. If washing before sewing, let sit a minimum of one hour, preferably overnight. Follow the manufacturer's directions for washing. Air dry, flat.
- Use low ph soaps such as Orvis<sup>™</sup>, Bubble Jet Set Rinse<sup>™</sup> or Quiltwash<sup>™</sup>! DO NOT
   USE your regular laundry detergents, i.e. Tide, Cheer, All, Era, etc.
- I spray my finished items with Scotchgard™, Fabric Shield™ or Quiltgard™.

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