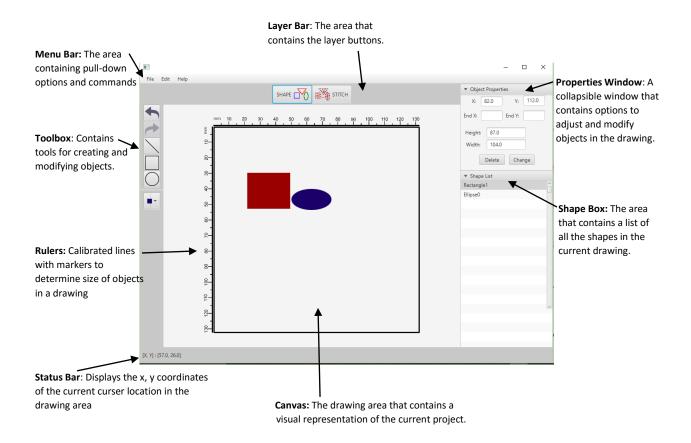
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QUICK START GUIDE

Embroid-It 1.0

Embroid-It offers a clean, easy-to-use interface containing simple tools for the user to create and edit embroidery projects.

Embroid-It Workspace



Projects

You can easily start a new embroidery project (File -> New, or Ctl + N), as well as open a project that has previously been created (File -> Open, or Ctl + O). The file management system within Embroid-It also allows you to save your current project (File -> Save, or Ctl +S).

Importing Files

Embroid-It lets you import (File->Import, or Ctl + I)
PES formatted files to use in your projects.

Exporting Files

You can export (File->Export, or Ctl + E) your projects to be saved as a PES formatted file to use with an embroidery machine. Keep in mind, the PES format is not compatible with all embroidery machines, but is used mainly with *Brother* and *Babylock* name brand machines.

Layers

Embroid-It provides two layers for viewing your project. You can select either view by clicking the buttons in the Layer Bar:



The *Shape* layer view shows the project as complete shapes with a full color fill.



The *Stitch* layer view shows your project as stitches, allowing you to see the stitch fill in each shape.

Drawing Lines and Shapes

Lines

The **Line** tool lets you draw straight lines on the canvas with a simple click and drag of the mouse.

Rectangles

By dragging diagonally with the **Rectangle** tool, you can draw rectangles and squares.



Ellipses

You can draw an ellipse or circle by dragging diagonally with the **Ellipse** tool.



Tools

In addition to the drawing tools mentioned above, Embroid-it provides you with a few other tools as well.

You can take back your last action by clicking the **Undo** button. Similarly, you can re-do any undo action by clicking the **Redo** button.

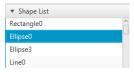
Embroid-it also lets you choose a color for each shape you create. Before shape creation, you can select a color by clicking on the **Color Picker** tool, and selecting your desired color from the list.

Working with shapes

Each shape created is stored in the **Shape List** box by their shape name and sequential number in which they were created. For example, *EllipseO*, would be the first ellipse that was created in the project and would be followed by *Ellipse1*.

Selecting a shape

You can select a shape by clicking its corresponding name from the **Shape List**. Once the shape is



selected, its x/y coordinates, height, and width will be displayed in the **Properties Window** above.

Moving a shape

You can move a shape by keying in the desired values into the x and y coordinate field, and then click the **Change** Change button.

Note: **Lines** also contain an '**end x**' and '**end y**' value that represents the endpoint of the line.

Resizing a shape

To change the size of a shape, after the shape has been selected, you can



change the values in the height and/or width fields. The size will be adjusted when you click the

Change Change button

Deleting a shape

To delete a shape from your project, just select the desired shape from the **Shape List**, and click the **Delete** Delete button