

# Touch & Print

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Printing onto fabric using  
heat transfer printing  
and a cutting plotter

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# Overview

T-shirt printing is a simple and fun maker activity that everybody can enjoy. Heat transfer printing onto T-Shirts is easy with no mess and no chemicals involved.

Besides T-Shirts, the process can also be applied onto other fabric products such as bags, cushion covers etc ...

Combine the process with a sewing machine and the possibilities can be endless.

## Example Gallery



# Equipment List

To start printing onto T-Shirt, you will need the following equipments

## **Cutting Plotter**

The cutting plotter is used to cut the transfer media into the shape of the design.

## **Transfer Media**

The transfer media is a single colour film that is used to create the design using the cutting plotter.

The film is available in regular colours as well as special colours such as gold, silver, neon, reflective, glitter and glow in the dark

## **Heat Press Machine / Home Iron**

The key to getting a perfect transfer is to use a heat press machine. Using a heat press machine will give consistent temperature and pressure to the transfer printing process.

Alternatively, the flex film can also be used with a home iron. The key difference would be that using a home iron will take a longer time to get the transfer onto the garment.

# How Does It Work?

Design in a computer and send for cutting

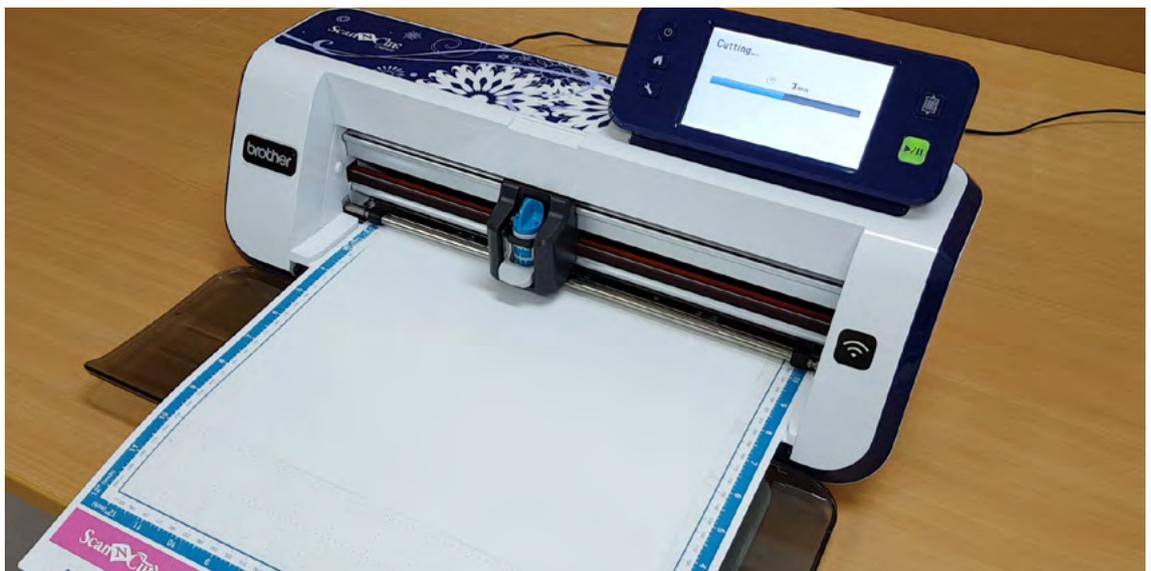
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1. Create the design in a computer.

Depending on the type of cutting plotter you have, you might have to use a software like Adobe Illustrator or in the case of the Brother Scan & Cut machine, you would use the Scan & Cut Canvas Software

2



2. Send the design to the cutting plotter.

Start the cutting process on the plotter, remember to mirror image the design before cutting.

3



3. Weed away the unwanted areas that are not needed.

4



4. Place the design face down onto the T-Shirt.  
Next, either use a heat press or an iron to transfer the design onto the T-Shirt.

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5. After the transfer is cool down, peel off the plastic liner.

6



6. Cover with a piece of release paper and iron/heat press it one last time to give the transfer a lasting bond.



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Do note that the process can be applied to many kinds of fabric such as cotton and polyester.

It is also applicable to other kinds of fabric products such as tote bags and drawstring bags etc ...

# How Does It Work?

Draw → Scan → Cut → Heat Press

1



Create your design by drawing it on a piece of plain paper

2



Load it into the Scan & Cut and scan the image.

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# Video Links



## **Print onto a T-Shirt with Brother Scan & Cut**

This video shows how you take a design in Adobe Illustrator, cut it out on the Brother Scan & Cut and finally apply it onto a T-Shirt



Watch video

<https://www.themagictouch.com.sg/videos/play/57>

# Video Links



## **Create a T-Shirt from a drawing**

This video demonstrates how the scan & cut works. First draw your design onto a piece of paper, scan it, cut it and then finally apply it onto a T-Shirt.



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<https://www.themagictouch.com.sg/videos/play/55>

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