

Embroidery Software Products - Feature Comparison

Embroidery Software Product	Designer Plus 8	bernette Customizer	ArtLink 8
General Features			
Windows® 7, 8 and 10 compatible	•	•	•
Mac with Boot Camp 4.0 or later, VMware® Fusion 4 or later, Parallels Desktop 7 and Windows® 7 or later	•	•	•
Interactive on-screen Reference Manual	•	•	•
Toggle between inches & metric measurements	•	•	•
Automatic Updates	•		
Easy to identify large, flat color icons... <i>enhanced</i>	•	•	•
Show icons with or without tool names; large or small.... <i>new</i>	•		
Detailed Object Properties Box	•	•	•
Realistic preview of fill types in Object Properties.... <i>new</i>	•		
Right click context menus for easy editing.... <i>new</i>	•		
CorelDRAW® Essentials X6 <i>included</i>	•		
Easy to use interface.... <i>enhanced</i>	•	•	•
Built-in Designs	716	106	38
Design Thumbnails and Information in Windows Explorer for ART and Supported Stitch Files	•	•	•
Design Tabs for viewing multiple opened designs.... <i>new</i>	•		
Machine Run time estimate.... <i>new</i>	•		
Product key for software activation... <i>new</i>	•		
30 day Trial Version... <i>new</i>	•		
Hoops			
Hoop Selection with a realistic display	•	• bernette hoops	•
Hoops filtered by machine type... <i>new</i>	•		
E16 hoops included.... <i>new</i>	•		
Show Hoop Template.... <i>new</i>	•		
Create Your Own Hoops... <i>enhanced</i>	•	•	•
Multi-Hooping Split Design File... <i>enhanced</i>	•		
Automatic Multi-Hooping.... <i>new</i>	•		
3D Designs			
3D StumpWork	•		
Trapunto	•		
PunchWork (use with BERNINA Rotary Hook Punch)	•		
Raised Satin Embroidery	•		
3D Puffy Lettering.. six <i>new fonts</i>	•		
Couching.... <i>new</i>	•		
Cutwork.... <i>new</i>	•		

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Thread Palette Selection			
Color Palette	•	•	
Pick Color	•	•	
Rotate through Design Colors	•		
Color Wheel	•		
My Threads Docker... <i>new</i>	•		
Thread Chart Management	•	•	•
Thread Matching across thread brands	•		
Thread Charts..... <i>new charts added</i>	•		

Lettering			
Built-in Alphabet Fonts <i>includes 12 new fonts</i> <i>Micro Fonts, 3D fonts</i>	99		
Sort Fonts by Type (True Type and Embroidery) Sort True Type Fonts by Group..... <i>new</i>	•		
Powerful Lettering Tools	•	•	
Satin, Step, or Fancy Fills for Lettering	•	• No Fancy Fills	
Baseline Options	•	•	
Justification Tools	•		
Elastic Lettering	•		
Kerning Letters	•		
Reshape Individual Letters	•		
Change Individual Letter Colors	•		
True Type and Open Type Fonts	•	•	
Auto Kerning for True Type Fonts..... <i>new</i>	•		
Monograms			
Design Templates for Monogramming..... <i>new</i>	•		
Advanced Monogramming	•		
Create Monogram Borders	•		
Edit & Customize			
Edit Designs from one screen.	•		
Customize Designs in one screen.	•		
Easy to switch between Fill, Outline and Stitch Types	•		
Selection Tool	•	•	•
Combine Designs and Lettering	•	•	
Break Apart... <i>including lettering</i>	•		
Rescale Designs	•	•	•
Rotation	•	•	•
Group and Ungroup Objects	•		
Polygon Select Tool	•		
Stitch Edit	•		
Reshape Object	•		

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Align Objects	•		
Mirror Image Tools	•	•	•
Mirror Merge Tools	•		
Wreath and Kaleidoscope Tools	•		
Array & Reflect.... <i>new</i>	•		
Color Film	•		
Object List	•		
Sequence by Selects	•		
Rescale graphics in Artwork and Embroidery Canvas	•		
Zooming on Bitmap and Vector Graphic Images	•		
Add Holes	•		
Fill Holes	•		
Add Multiple Stitch Angles	•		
Blackwork Run to eliminate jump stitches	•		
Knife tool.... <i>new</i>	•		
Reshape Object Outlines	•		
Quick Clone	•		
Duplicate with or without Offset... <i>enhanced</i>	•		
View Designs			
Designs Grouped when inserted	•	•	•
Designs ungrouped on open.... <i>new</i>	•		
Grid	•	•	•
Change color of grid lines.... <i>new</i>	•		
Background and Display color... <i>enhanced</i>	•		•
Rulers and Guides	•	•	•
Artistic View	•	•	•
Design Overview Window	•		
Zoom Tools	•	•	•
Show/Hide Stitches	•		
Show/Hide Outlines.... <i>new</i>	•		
View by Color	•		
Stitch Player.... <i>new</i>	•	• Slow Redraw	• Slow Redraw
Travel bar.... <i>new</i>	•		
Article Display... <i>enhanced</i>	•		
Fabric Display... <i>enhanced</i>	•		
Show Work Area... <i>new</i>	•		
Show Quilt Block.... <i>new</i>	•		
Save Design as Image	•		
Edit Stitch Function			
Auto Fabrics...select among 8 basic types	•		
Create custom fabrics	•		

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Adjust stitch spacing by percentage	•		
Multiple Underlay	•		
Underlay Options	•		
Start/End Point positions	•	•	•
Re-Sequencing Designs	•		
Simple Stitch Re-sequencing	•		
Easily Remove Overlaps	•		
Pull Compensation	•	• Lettering only	
Travel on Edge	•		
Tie In/Off and Closest Join	•		
Always Trim.... <i>new</i>	•		
Buttonholes			
Design Buttonholes	•		
Cut Buttonholes.... <i>new</i>	•		
Appliqué			
Auto Appliqué	•		
Advanced Appliqué	•		
Remove Appliqué Overlaps	•		
Create Appliqué CutWork.... <i>new</i>	•		
Stitch Effects			
Calligraphy Effect	•		
Outlines & Offsets Effect.... <i>enhanced</i>	•		
Carving Effect	•		
Pattern Stamp	•		
Color Blending	•		
Gradient Fill Effect	•		
Textured Edge Effect	•		
Wave Effect	•		
Star Stitch Effect	•		
Quilt Backgrounds-5 types.... <i>new</i>	•		
Morphing Effect	•		
Elastic Fancy Fill Effect... <i>new</i>	•		
3D Globe Effect.... <i>new</i>	•		
Automatic Corners.... <i>new</i>	•		
Stitch Types: Fills			
Step Fill—30 types... <i>enhanced view</i>	•		
Satin Fill + Special Satin Fill... <i>enhanced view</i>	•		
Raised Satin... <i>enhanced view</i>	•		
Fancy Fill--180 types... <i>enhanced view</i>	•		
Sculptured Fancy Fill... <i>enhanced view</i>	•		
Ripple Stitch	•		

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Contour Fill	•		
Blackwork Fill—83 types... <i>enhanced view</i>	•		
Candlewicking Fill—4 types... <i>enhanced view</i>	•		
Lacework Fill—5 types... <i>enhanced view</i>	•		
Pattern Fills—over 200 types... <i>enhanced view</i>	•		
Cross Stitch Fill	•		
Stipple Fills-3 types	•		
Alternating Pattern Fills.... <i>new</i>	•		
Create Pattern Fills	•		
Control of Pattern Fills and Fancy Fills	•		
<i>Stitch Types: Outlines</i>			
Single	•		
Triple	•		
Sculptured Run... <i>new</i>	•		
Backstitch	•		
Stemstitch	•		
Zigzag... <i>new</i>	•		
Satin	•		
Raised Satin	•		
Blanket Outline	•		
Blackwork Run	•		
Candlewicking Outline	•		
Pattern Run	•		
<i>Artwork Canvas Designing</i>			
ART Strokes (Artwork Canvas Mode)	•		
Artwork included	•		
Quick Trace (Artwork Canvas Mode)	•		
Link to Graphics Programs	•		
Supported Graphics Formats	•		
Defined Drawing Shapes (Artwork Canvas Mode)	•		
Add Text (Artwork Canvas Mode)	•		
Smart Drawing Tool (Artwork Canvas Mode)	•		
Freehand Drawing Tool (Artwork Canvas Mode)	•		
<i>Auto Digitizing</i>			
Auto-digitizing Tool... <i>enhanced</i>	•		
Instant Auto Digitizing.... <i>new</i>	•		
Automatic Outlines and Borders	•		
Magic Wand	•		
Magic Wand Centerline Trace... <i>new</i>	•		
Magic Wand Fill Without Holes.... <i>new</i>	•		
Magic Wand Block Digitizing.... <i>new</i>	•		

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PhotoSnap	•		
Color PhotoStitch.... <i>new</i>	•		
Matching Method.... <i>new</i>	•		
<i>Digitizing</i>			
New from Template	•		
Freehand Embroidery tools (Embroidery Canvas mode)	•		
Manual Digitizing Tools	•		
Block Digitizing Tool	•		
Shape Tools	•		

<i>Formats</i>			
Open Designs in Multiple Formats... <i>enhanced</i>	•	•	•
Save Designs in Multiple Formats.... <i>enhanced</i>	•	•	•
Save Designs in ART 70 Format	•	•	•
Save Designs in ART 80 Format... <i>new</i>	•		
<i>Cross Stitch</i>			
Built-in Cross Stitch Styles	11		
Cross Stitch Orientation	•		
Fabric Count Settings	•		
Thread Count	•		
Thread Charts	•		
Lettering	•		
Auto Cross	•		
Flood Fill	•		
Magic Wand	•		
Manual Digitizing Tools	•		
Rubber Stamp	•		
Polygon Select	•		
Auto Select Tool	•		
Rotate	•		
Mirror Image	•		
Scan Artwork	•		
Cut, Copy, Paste, Duplicate	•		
Eraser	•		
<i>BERNINA Quilter</i>			
Quilt Design Program	•		
Printable Reference Information	•		
Preview Appliqué and Embroidery Placement on your Quilt Blocks.	•		
Extensive Block Library	•		
Block Editor	•		

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Block Layout: Set Individual Block Sizes	•		
Diamond Block Layout	•		
Sashing Layout	•		
Border Layout	•		
Mirror Blocks	•		
Rotate Blocks	•		
Fabric and Color Palettes	•		
Customize Fabric Library	•		
Lock Function for Whole Quilt, Embroidery, and Appliqué	•		
Alignment Tools	•		
Copy, Cut and Paste Functions	•		
Embroidery Library...new			
Browse designs by tags...new	•		
Group & sort designs...new	•		
Search and import all designs...new	•		
Print catalog of designs...new	•		
Other Features			
Basting Stitch Markers...new	•		
Graphic Stitch Markers...new	•		
Printed Worksheet....enhanced	•	•	•
Print your ART Canvas	•		
Direct Machine Connect with ADX	•		•
Data Transfer via USB	•	•	•
Support and Service	•	•	•
Feedback Reporter...new	•		