



Gina Renee Designs

Helping You Create Clothes that make You Feel Great

by providing Fashionable Sewing Patterns that Fit

Have you ever wanted to personalize your handmade items with your Own Designer Clothing Labels?

THERE'S NO BETTER WAY TO COMPLETE A HANDMADE ITEM THAN BY DESIGNING AND PRINTING YOUR OWN CLOTHING LABELS. THIS CAN BE DONE USING THIS SIMPLE METHOD!



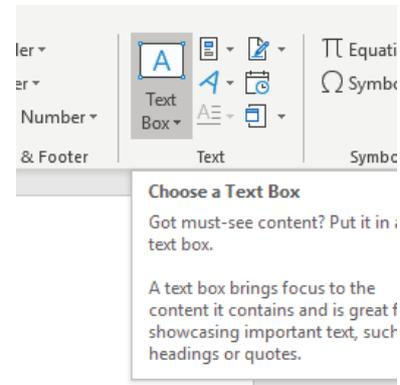
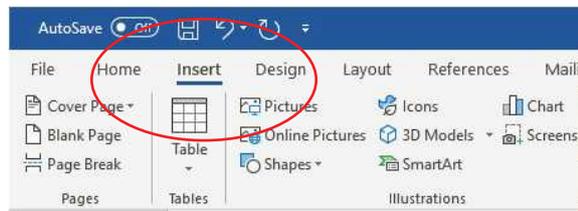
Method

- **FIND A PLAIN RIBBON IN A NEUTRAL OR PALE COLOR TO COMPLIMENT YOUR BRAND. (I SUGGEST A DOUBLE SIDED SATIN FOR MORE DURABILITY)**
- **MEASURE THE WIDTH OF THE RIBBON.**
- **CREATE YOUR OWN DESIGN IN A WORD DOCUMENT OR ADOBE ILLUSTRATOR IF THIS IS AVAILABLE TO YOU, FOLLOWING THE METHOD BELOW.**
- **PRINT THE DESIGN ONTO IRON-ON TRANSFER PAPER USING AN INKJET PRINTER.**
- **IRON THE DESIGN ONTO YOUR RIBBON.**

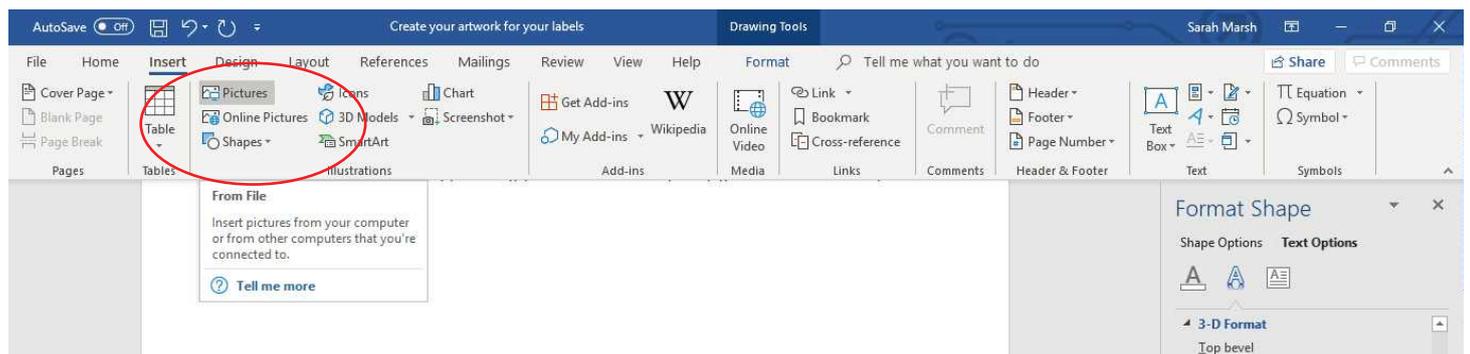
Creating your label design in a Word Document

IN ORDER TO CREATE THE DESIGN IN WORD YOU NEED TO CREATE A TEXT BOX AND THEN YOU CAN EITHER USE YOUR LOGO OR WRITE THE NAME OF YOUR BRAND, MAKE SURE THAT IT WILL FIT ONTO YOUR RIBBON BY CHECKING THE HEIGHT OF YOUR TEXT /LOGO.

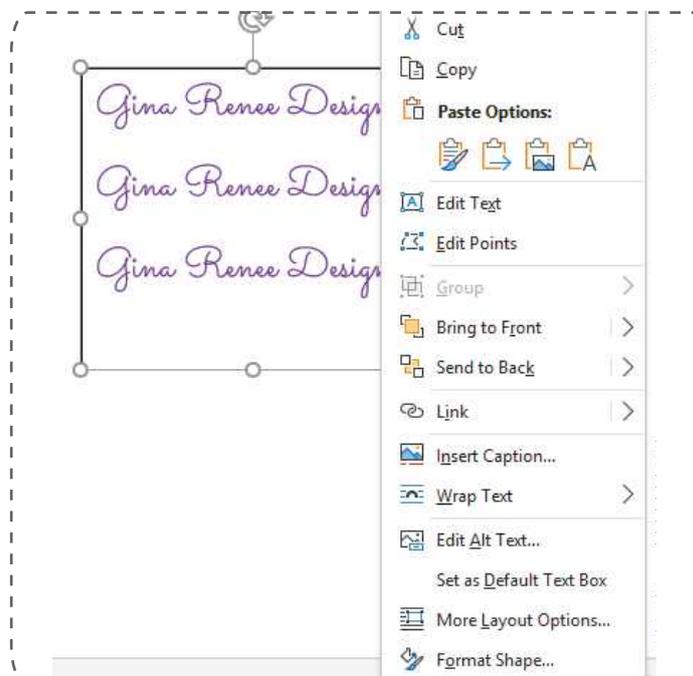
STEP 1. FROM THE INSERT TAB - CLICK TEXT BOX



STEP 2. TYPE YOUR DESIGN OR IMPORT YOUR LOGO AS A PICTURE. (CLICK INSIDE THE TEXT BOX, FROM THE INSERT TAB, SELECT PICTURES - FROM FILE AND THEN INSERT YOUR LOGO/ IMAGE.



STEP 3. SELECT THE LOGO OR TEXT AND RIGHT CLICK AND SELECT COPY (OR HOLD DOWN THE CTRL AND 'C' BUTTONS ON THE KEYBOARD) TO COPY THE DESIGN, CLICK RETURN AND THEN PASTE (RIGHT CLICK AND SELECT PASTE, OR HOLD DOWN THE CTRL AND 'V' BUTTON) IN ROWS DOWN THE PAGE AS SHOW BELOW.

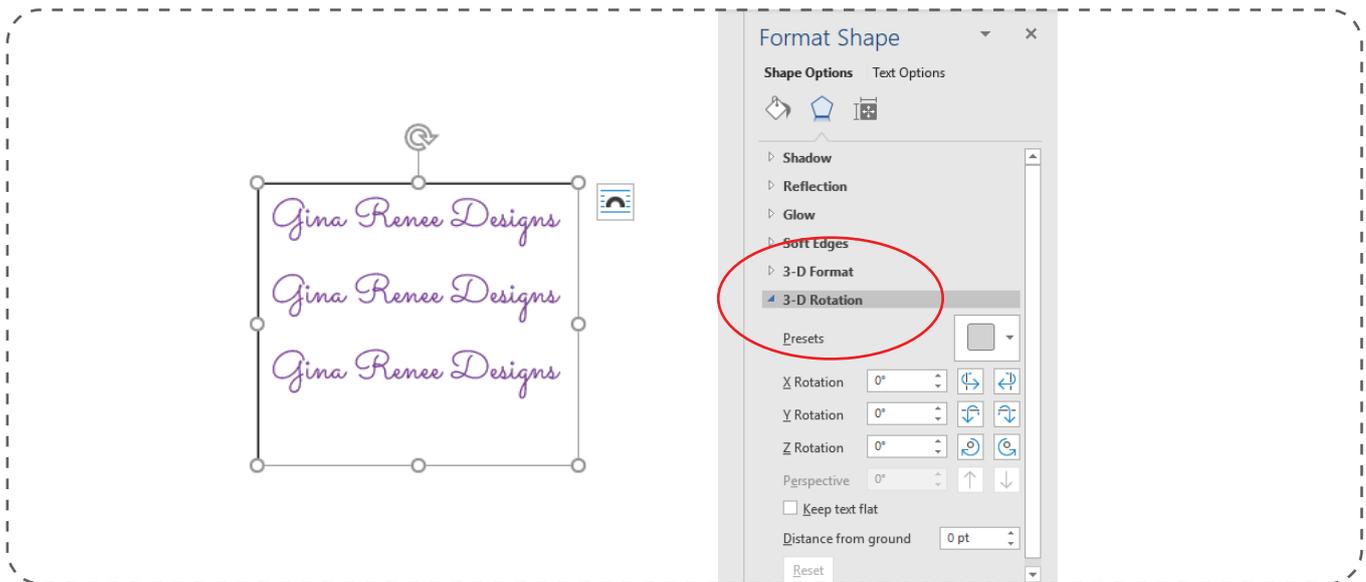


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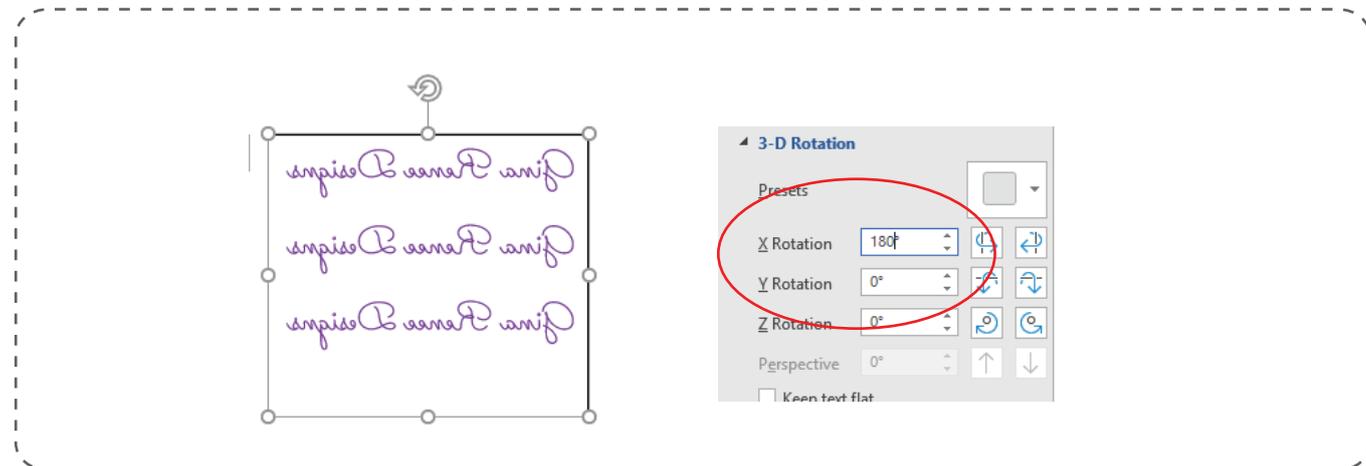
STEP 4. IN ORDER FOR THE DESIGN TO APPEAR THE CORRECT WAY ROUND WHEN IRONING ONTO YOUR RIBBON, THE IMAGE WILL NEED TO BE FLIPPED/ MIRRORED BEFORE PRINTING.

TO FLIP IT, DO THE FOLLOWING:

1. RIGHT-CLICK THE TEXT BOX AND CHOOSE FORMAT SHAPE AND CHOOSE 3-D ROTATION IN THE LEFT PANE.



2. CHANGE THE X SETTING TO 180.

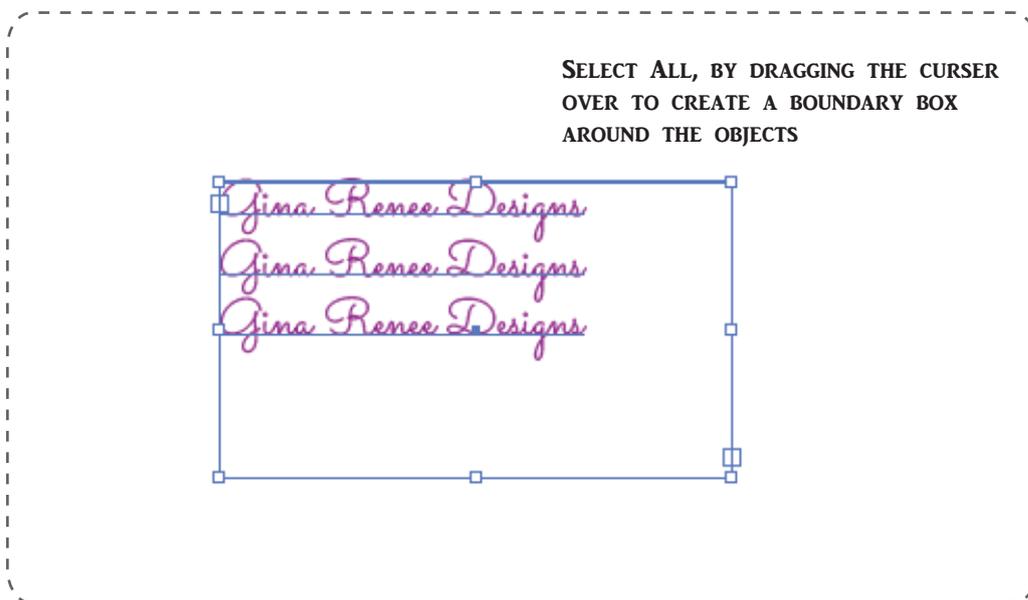


3. CLICK OK, AND WORD FLIPS THE TEXT IN THE TEXT BOX, PRODUCING A MIRROR IMAGE

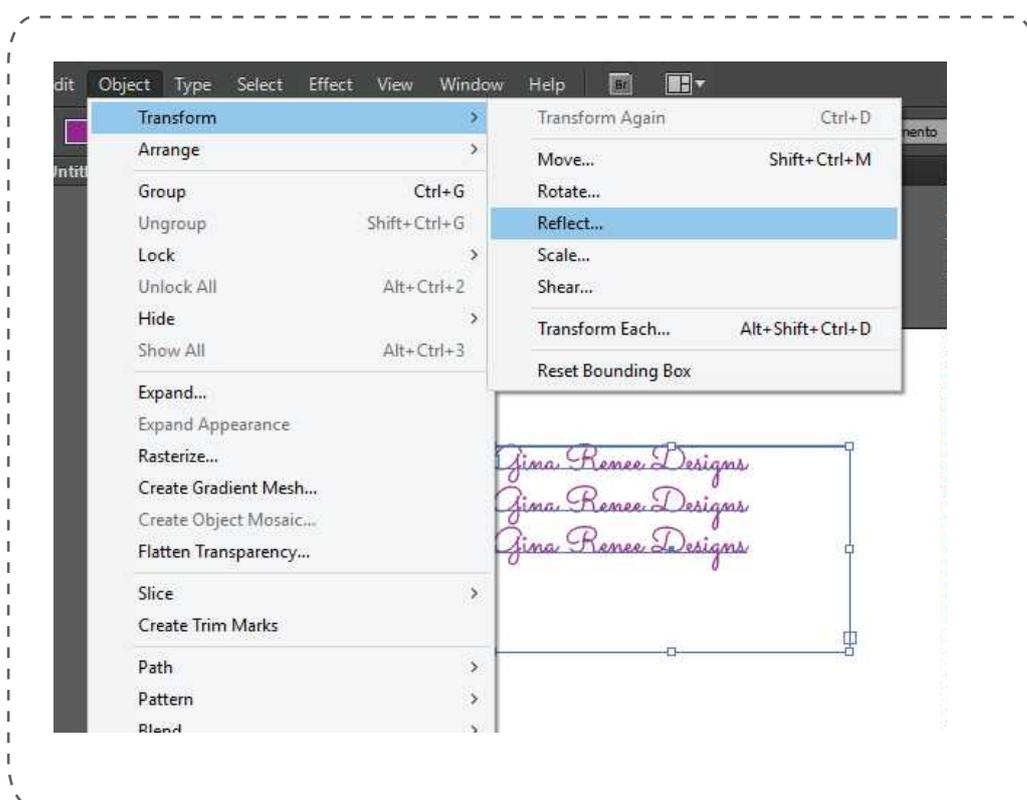


Creating your label design in Adobe Illustrator

STEP 1. ONCE YOU HAVE CREATED YOUR DESIGN, SELECT ALL BY GOING TO SELECT, THEN "ALL". (ALTERNATIVELY DRAG YOUR CURSER OVER THE WHOLE DESIGN TO SELECT ALL)

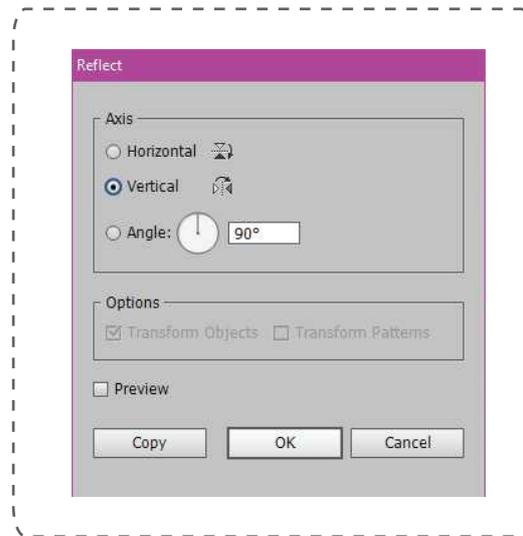


STEP 2. REFLECT THE ENTIRE IMAGE BY SELECTING THE 'OBJECT' TAB, THEN 'TRANSFORM' AND 'REFLECT'. (IT MUST BE REFLECTED, OTHERWISE THE TYPE OR IMAGES WILL BE REVERSED WHEN IRONED ON. ESPECIALLY IF YOU HAVE ANY TEXT, IT'S CRITICAL YOU REFLECT OR MIRROR IT.)



Creating your label design in Adobe Illustrator (Continued)

STEP 3. CHOOSE THE VERTICAL OPTION FROM THE COMMAND BOX.



STEP 4. WHEN THE IMAGE HAS BEEN REVERSED YOU CAN PRINT ON TO THE TRANSFER PAPER. PLACE THE TRANSFER PAPER IN THE PRINTER, MAKING SURE THE PRINTING PART WILL GO ON THE SIDE THAT IS THE IRON-ON SIDE. (SEE PRINTER SETTINGS)

****YOU CAN ONLY USE AN INK-JET PRINTER.****

HERE ARE THE FINAL STEPS IN MAKING YOUR OWN CLOTHING LABELS:

- 1. CUT OUT THE PIECES AND IRON THEM ONTO THE RIBBON.**
- 2. USE AS HIGH OF AN IRON SETTING AS THE RIBBON ALLOWS (DON'T BURN IT!)**
- 3. MAKE SURE TO APPLY A LOT OF PRESSURE AS YOU IRON AND LEAVE FOR ABOUT 30 SECONDS.**
- 4. PEEL OFF THE TRANSFER PAPER, IF THE TRANSFER DOESN'T EASILY PEEL OFF, IT'S NOT READY. CHECK A CORNER FIRST BEFORE TRYING TO PEEL OFF THE ENTIRE TRANSFER.**

***** THE LARGER YOUR TRANSFER IS, THE LONGER THE IRONING TAKES. *****

Congrats! You've just successfully designed and made your own clothing labels! Time to get making so you can sew them into your new designs.
Happy Sewing!

