10. Working with text

J. Working with multiple lines of text

Using text to personalize a project is a great way to make your project unique. You have two editing options when working with multiple lines of text.

- Edit text using a single textbox with one font style
- Edit text using multiple textboxes with multiple font styles

**Option 1** Edit text using a single textbox with one font style

**Step 1** Click *Add Text* to add a text box to your design screen. As text is entered, create line breaks using the *Enter* key on your keyboard. Text will appear in the Layers Panel as a single image.

**Step 2** Text alignment defaults to the left. If you’d like to change the alignment, click on the Edit Tab to open the Edit Panel. Select from one of these three alignment options.
Align Left — Align text along the left side of the text box.

Align Center — Align text in the center of the text box.
Align Right – Align text along the right side of the text box.

**Step 3** Click Make It to begin the cutting process.

**Step 4** Text will appear on the Mat Preview exactly as arranged in the text box.
Option 2 Edit text using multiple text boxes with multiple font styles

Step 1 Click *Add Text* to add a text box to your design screen. Type in the first line of text. Repeat for each line of text. Each text box appears in the Layers Panel as a separate layer. Arrange the text boxes on the design screen as desired.

Step 2 Select the text to open the Text Edit Bar. Choose a font and adjust the style, size, and alignment.
Step 3 If you’d like, use the letter spacing option on each text box to move text closer together or further apart. Type an exact number in the Letter Spacing field or click the up and down arrows to adjust the spacing.

Tip: By reducing the space until letters overlap, you can join the letters together to create a single shape. Use the Weld tool found in the Layers Panel to merge cuts so only the exterior cuts remain.

Step 4 You can also click on the Sync Tab to open the Sync Panel to reduce the number of colors in your project.
Step 5 Drag text layer thumbnails from one color to another. The colors will update on the design screen to reflect the change.

Step 6 Click on the Layers Tab to open the Layers Panel. Select the text boxes and use the Attach tool to hold text position.
Step 7 Text will appear in the Layers Panel as an attached set under a group labeled Attach. It has been converted to an image and is no longer editable.
Step 8 Click Make It to begin the cutting process.

Step 9 Text will appear on the Mat Preview exactly as arranged.