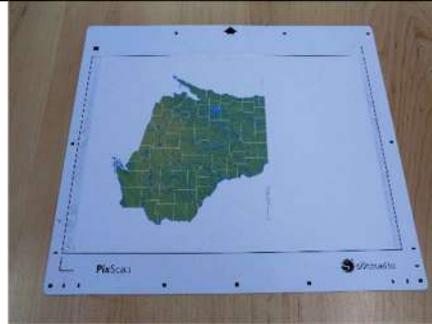


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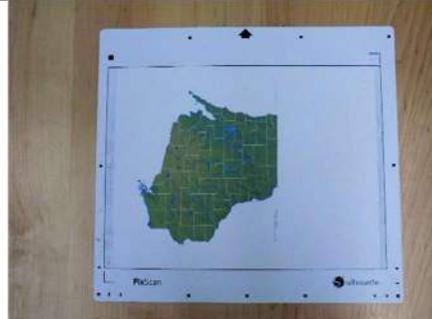
Step 1: Place the item on the mat

- Remove the protective plastic cover from the PixScan mat.
- Firmly adhere the item to the mat.
- The item must be completely within the rectangular border on the mat.



Step 2: Take a picture of the mat

- Using a digital camera, take a photo that includes the entire mat and is as close to straight-on as possible.



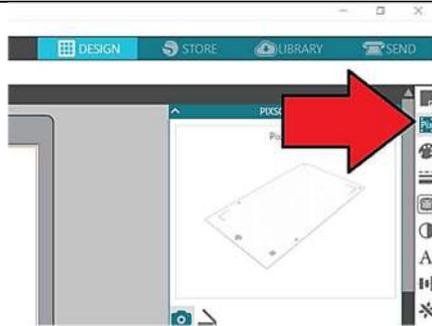
Step 3: Transfer the image to the laptop

- If using the Idea Studio digital camera, remove the SD card from the camera and insert it into the laptop
- If using a different digital camera or a cell phone, upload or transfer the image onto the laptop.



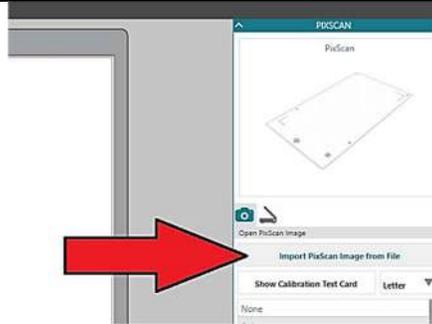
Step 4: Open the PixScan tab

- On the right-hand toolbar, click on the PixScan icon to open the PixScan window.
- The icon looks like this: 



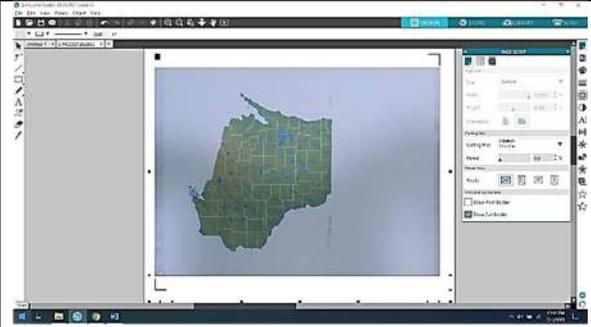
Step 5: Import the image

- In the PixScan window, click on “Import PixScan Image from File.”
- This opens a pop-up window. Select the SD card from the left-hand side of this window, then find your file and click “Open.”
- If the PixScan window brings up the “No calibration” warning, ignore it and click “Continue Without Calibration.”



Step 6: Trace the image

- Once the image is loaded in the Silhouette software, use the Image Trace feature to select and trace the image you want.
- See the Technique Tutorial “Silhouette Studio – Image Tracing” for assistance.
- If desired, use the Offset icon on the right-hand toolbar to move the cut lines back a bit from the edge of the image.



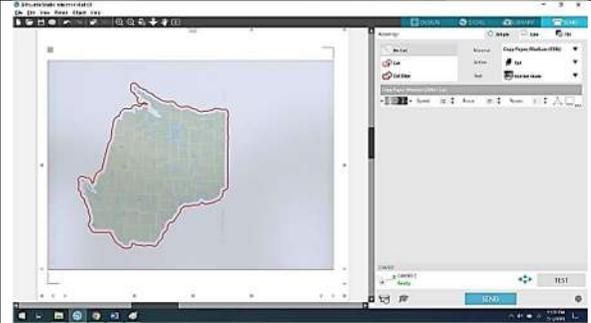
Step 7: Load the PixScan mat into the Silhouette

- With the black arrow on the mat facing forward, align the edge of the mat with the blue line on the Silhouette.
- Press “Load Cut Mat” on the Silhouette control panel.
- See the Technique Tutorial “Silhouette Cameo – Basics Steps of Using” for assistance.



Step 8: Send the project to be cut

- In the Silhouette software, click on the “Send” tab and prepare the job to be sent.
- See the Technique Tutorial “Silhouette Cameo – Basics Steps of Using” for assistance.



Step 9: Clean up

- When finished, unload the mat, remove the piece, and replace the mat’s protective plastic cover sheet
- If using the Idea Studio camera, don’t forget to return the SD card to the camera when finished.

