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FEATURE	BASIC	DESIGNER EDITION	DESIGNER EDITION PLUS	BUSINESS EDITION
cut shapes from the Silhouette Store	✓	✓	✓	✓
create designs from scratch with ellipse, rectangle, freehand line, polygon, arc and curve tools	✓	✓	✓	✓
use any font installed on your computer to design	✓	✓	✓	✓
move, scale, align and replicate objects or groups	✓	✓	✓	✓
weld, intersect, crop, divide, or subtract paths	✓	✓	✓	✓
wrap text to a path (check out this post for full details)	✓	✓	✓	✓
open STUDIO, DXF and GSD files (no tracing)	✓	✓	✓	✓
autotrace your own JPG, PNG, TIF, BMP, PSD, GIF images to create cut files (check out my Tracing without Tears series for details) Additional Win and Mac specific formats can be used (see my file format cheat sheet for full details)	✓	✓	✓	✓
print designs on your printer and cut them out with the Silhouette (see this post for details)	✓	✓	✓	✓
copy color from one object/image to another object	✓	✓	✓	✓
fill objects with colors, gradients, or patterns	✓	✓	✓	✓
fill objects with your own patterns or images via drag and drop or cropping	✓	✓	✓	✓
adjust the scale, angle and position of pattern or image fills	✓	✓	✓	✓
adjust image brightness, contrast, hue, etc. (dependent on video card)	✓	✓	✓	✓
select objects by line or fill color	✓	✓	✓	✓
view and adjust grid	✓	✓	✓	✓
create an adjustable shadow/offset/mat	✓	✓	✓	✓
adjust knife and eraser tool to open or closed results	✓	✓	✓	✓
layout design in WYSIWYG format for cutting	✓	✓	✓	✓
print, or print and cut your designs in high resolution	✓	✓	✓	✓
save files to your hard drive or to the Silhouette library	✓	✓	✓	✓
save files for cutting directly to the Cameo 2/3 with a USB stick or Cameo 1/SD to an SD card	✓	✓	✓	✓
spell check your designs	✓	✓	✓	✓

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scan in images	✓	✓	✓	✓
use the Pixscan mat to position cuts with respect to the page	✓	✓	✓	✓
cut by line or fill color	✓	✓	✓	✓
point edit a design	✓	✓	✓	✓
paste text from outside Silhouette Studio into a text box	✓	✓	✓	✓
select line styles to create dashed scoring or stitching lines for cutting or drawing	✓	✓	✓	✓
place objects along a path (4.0 and higher)	✓	✓	✓	✓
display most common and most recent fonts displayed at top of list (v4.1 and higher)	✓	✓	✓	✓
add sticky notes to a project (v4.1 and higher)	✓	✓	✓	✓
create pop up elements automatically (v4.1 and higher)	✓	✓	✓	✓
fully adjustable hatch fills for drawing and etching	Curio or version 4.0.837 or 4.0.1052 only	Curio or version 4.0.837 or 4.0.1052 only	Curio or version 4.0.837 or 4.0.1052 only	Curio or version 4.0.837 or 4.0.1052 only
stipple trace	Curio, Cameo 3 or version 4.0.837 or 4.0.1052 only	Curio, Cameo 3 or version 4.0.837 or 4.0.1052 only	Curio, Cameo 3 or version 4.0.837 or 4.0.1052 only	Curio, Cameo 3 or version 4.0.837 or 4.0.1052 only
stipple fills and patterns	Curio, Cameo 3 or version 4.0.837 or 4.0.1052 only	Curio, Cameo 3 or version 4.0.837 or 4.0.1052 only	Curio, Cameo 3 or version 4.0.837 or 4.0.1052 only	Curio, Cameo 3 or version 4.0.837 or 4.0.1052 only
paste graphics copied from outside Silhouette Studio		✓	✓	✓
copy attributes (font, fill, stroke) from one object to another		✓	✓	✓
add custom fill patterns to the Pattern Fill Palette		✓	✓	✓
apply sketch effects including limited (not solid) hatch fill		✓	✓	✓
open SVG or PDF files (see my file format cheat sheet for full details)		✓	✓	✓
nest designs automatically to save material		✓	✓	✓
use rulers, adjustable guides and crosshairs as design aids		✓	✓	✓
convert images to rhinestone designs		✓	✓	✓
slant images/text with the shear tool		✓	✓	✓
adjust the size and shape of the eraser tool		✓	✓	✓
use patterned/curved knife shapes and delay application for controlled editing (see this video for details)		✓	✓	✓

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adjust an object's pivot point for advanced rotation or complex replication		✓	✓	✓
separate your design into toggleable (hide/show, lock/unlock) layers		✓	✓	✓
cut by layer		✓	✓	✓
duplicate and shift in one step (shadow tool)		✓	✓	✓
trace by color (v4.0 and higher)		✓	✓	✓
magnet trace (v4.0 and higher)		✓	✓	✓
select any Unicode mapped glyph from a Glyphs panel (v4.1 and higher)		✓	✓	✓
create advanced (variable depth) pop up elements automatically (v4.1 and higher)		✓	✓	✓
sort and view Silhouette Design Store purchased fonts in folders (v4.1 and higher)		✓	✓	✓
perform mesh warp on design elements (v4.1 and higher)		✓	✓	✓
open a number of embroidery file formats (see my file format cheat sheet for full details)			✓	✓
use custom sizes and shapes in the rhinestone design tool (edited to add that this can be used for object on path)			✓	✓
conical warp for tumblers, cupcake wrappers, etc. (v4.1 and higher)			✓	✓
open (warning:drastically increases node count) AI, EPS and CDR files (see cleversomeday.com/ssformats16 for full file format info)				✓
connect more than one machine at a time				✓
separate a large design into smaller sections (tiling)				✓
add weeding lines automatically (rectangular weed lines, open areas only)				✓
nest at the cutting step				✓
use media layout mode (as opposed to WYSIWG)				✓
replicate designs at the cutting step (matrix copy)				✓
access history panel for multiple undo steps (v4.1 and higher)				✓
save non-store images as SVG, vector PDF or high resolution JPG (v4.1 and higher)				✓