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Stoney's Word

Summer is hot in Spring, Texas. It is time to sit and get

your winter stitching started while you sit inside. What are you going to give for gifts this year. Are there Christmas stockings that need to be made?? Do you need a new project to do during the holiday season? We are here for you. We carry a large supply of needlework accessories. There are thousands of cross stitch charts, Hardanger books, silk ribbon, pull and drawn thread, and needlepoint canvas. Get started now! Come see us.

We have lots of birthdays to celebrate in the month of September so there will be plenty of goodies to eat and drink. You are welcome to come and stitch in the afternoons.



Thursday, November 26, 2026

We will be closed Thursday for Thanksgiving and open again on Friday, November 27 and Saturday, November 28 normal hours 10:00 am to 5:00.



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Apple Pie 9"

6 large apples

$\frac{3}{4}$ c/ sugar

2 Tbs. flour

1 tsp. cinnamon

1 Tbs. margarine



Pare, core and slice apples; place in a pastry lined pie pan. Combine sugar, flour and cinnamon; sprinkle over apples. Dot with margarine. Cover top with crust – crimp or flute edge. Poke steam hole in middle of top crust.

Mexican Coffee

4 c. water

$\frac{1}{3}$ c. dark brown sugar

$\frac{1}{2}$ c. instant coffee

4 cinnamon sticks



Combine water and sugar, bring to a boil, stirring until sugar is dissolved. Reduce heat and stir in coffee, simmer two minutes. Pour into individual mugs, add a cinnamon stick to each mug. Stir in coffee with stick. Makes 4 cups.



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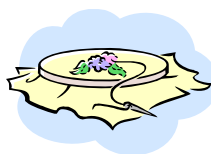
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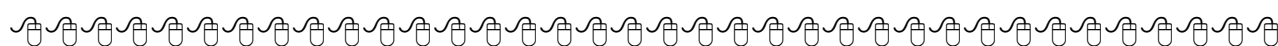
Stitching Tips: Helpful Hints

Working with charts! How to read charts: Each of the designs is shown in chart form. Each square on the charts represents one Cross Stitch or one Half Cross Stitch. Each triangle on the charts represents one Quarter Stitch. Dots represent French Knots. Ovals represent Lazy Daisy Stitches. The straight lines on the charts indicate Backstitch. When a French Knot, Lazy Daisy Stitch, or Backstitch covers a square, the symbol is omitted.

Working over two fabric threads! Use the sewing method instead of the stab method when working over two fabric threads. To use the sewing method, keep your stitching hand on the right side of the fabric (instead of stabbing the fabric with the needle and taking your stitching hand to the back of the fabric to pick up the needle.) With the sewing method, you take the needle down and up with one stroke instead of two. To add support to stitches, it is important that the first Cross Stitch is placed on the fabric with stitch 1-2 beginning and ending where a vertical fabric thread crosses over a horizontal fabric thread. When the first stitch is in the correct position, the entire design will be placed properly, with vertical fabric threads supporting each stitch.



Remember we are here to help you. All you have to do is ask



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Tales From The Teacher

Knowledge brings wisdom and wisdom brings ease of needlework. The more you know the easier and more relaxing it is. When I sit down in a chair, I sit down with a needle in my hand. Stitching becomes very relaxing after a stressful event. Did you know that people who stitch usually live 7 to 8 years longer because of less stress. Find a phone friend and try talking on the phone while you are running your needle. What a wonderful memory.

Classes allow you to meet people with the same interest. It opens up a whole new world of needlework. Come ask questions and get answers. It is a fun event that will make you more relaxed in the needlework world. Learning becomes fun when shared with others. All of us learn together. We develop friendships through the needlework world. So many people would have never known each other had they not met here at this shop. Come join us for friendship and relaxation. We would love to have you.

Classes **must** be paid at the time of reservation. If you need to cancel a class, we must be notified 24 hours prior to the date to receive store credit. Should you need a private class, call for an appointment. Private classes are priced according to supplies and length. If you have a question, just ask.



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Saturday Stitches!

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12:30 PM – 4:45 PM



Join us the 2nd Saturday of each month for a visit and stitch afternoon. Stitches enjoy meeting new friends and visiting with old friends. You can visit with people who share your same interest. You can get those projects finished. Who knows what new stitchers you may meet. Have an afternoon to remember.

Sampler Class!

Thursday, September 10, October 8, November 12, December 10, 2026
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM



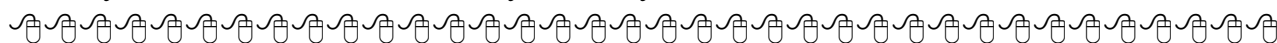
We started in January and will meet once a month until the piece is finished. The piece is stitched on 28 Ct. Matter's Tea Towel Linen by Dames of the Needle. We are stitching with Classic Colorworks, Gentle Art, and Weeks Dye Works overdyed threads. There are numerous different colors. Lots of stitches to learn and different ways to show shading. Upside down stitching as well as regular crosses. The proper way to stitch borders. Different techniques to learn in the stitching world. Sign up now and you will have no problem with the class. Remember we are here to help you.

Fiber Club!

Tuesday, September 15, October 13, November 17, December 15
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM



Want to learn what all you can do with different fibers? Here is your chance. You can learn while making a finished piece you will be proud to own. We are stitching on 20 Ct. Natural Brown Linen with numerous fibers – Classic Colorworks, Weeks Dye Works, Gumnut Yarns Daisies, Thread Gatherer Silken Pearl, Gloriana, and Rainbow Gallery. Remember we can always make you a kit.



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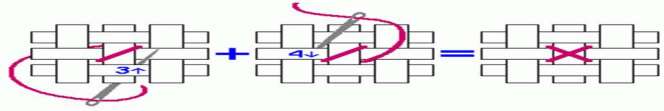


Easy Way Too Stitch!

Saturday, September 19

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

(\$28.00)



Want to learn how to stitch? Come join us as we show you step by step what to do from beginning to ending a thread. We will be here to answer your every question. What we don't know we know someone who knows. Perhaps you have done some stitching but want to make sure you are doing it the easy way as well as the correct way. You can always learn something in every class that you attend. I know I do. There is always someone there who comes up with something that we did not think about. Needlework and especially heirloom needlework are always a learning process. All supplies included plus class.



Remember to always sign up early as we have to prepare a kit for you. Getting supplies takes longer than in the past.

Late Afternoon Stitching

Saturday, September 26

5:00 pm – 9:00 pm (\$10.00)

Sign up, bring a snack, and come stitch the early evening away. You will enjoy the relaxed surroundings. Visit with old friends and meet new ones. This is an early evening we promise you will be glad that you attended.



Additional classes will be offered
Check our website at www.3stitches.com



through the year ahead.
for details.

Remember there is always something new to learn!

Come to our home to stitch!



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**New! New!
New!**



The Virtual Market is held the end of August. Lots and lots of “new” merchandise will be available. Designers are sending emails featuring the new charts, threads, fabrics, etc. that will be available for us to purchase.

Designers love to make us aware of anything new they have coming out. Remember all designers do not work at the same speed. Once the merchandise is received in the shop, the items have to be checked in and priced which takes hours of time from employees of the shop. Displays to be made. Lots of hours of work which we enjoy but take time. Remember we are a well- stocked and established shop.

Designers design, we see, and we want. Who ever heard of anyone having **too much stash**? If you are looking for something special, give us a call. We either have it, it is on its way to the shop, or we can get it. We not only have an **online shop** but a **retail shop**. Our shop has the items needed to complete a project – chart, fabric, thread, embellishments, etc. We are in the needlework business!

3 Stitches is a “one stop shop”. We not only know where to get the project but also how to do the project. We have a website, www.3stitches.com or you can always email us at 3stitches@3stitches.com with questions. Come in and let us help you.

Praiseworthy Stitches has the “Black Cat Stacker” that is up to some spooky fun! An antique spool will be included in the chart. “Simple Gifts – Freedom” is her newest Quaker design. Celebrate the anniversary of our country. “A 1776 Needlecase” is a limited-edition kit that features a needlecase and scissor fob. All materials and complete finishing instructions are included. “Christmas Joy Pinbell Kit” is a perfect addition to your holiday stitching for either your tree or your stitching basket. All materials and complete finishing instructions are included. “Spooky Boos Drum” is



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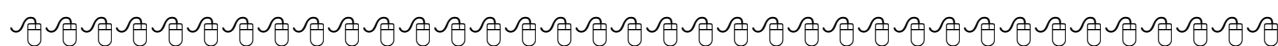
time to start the party with this chart. It has lots of cats, bats, & other ghoulies. Stitch this small fun treat with glow-in-the-dark floss, buttons, & more. Complete finishing directions are included. “Give Thanks” is a charming chart with a simple design celebrating Thanksgiving with pilgrims, pumpkins & squirrels in a delightful design. It is the perfect piece to stitch during the fall season as Thanksgiving approaches.

Laura J. Perin Designs has “Red Poppy Collage” with small gold beads. Most of it was stitched with DMC #5 Pearl Cotton threads. It could be stitched on 18 Ct. mono canvas or 18 Ct. Linen fabric. “Victorian Ribbons” is done in mostly red and green threads along with YLI ribbon floss in wine and gold. Gold beads have been added to enhance the piece. “Floral Ribbons” are done in pink and green using a #22 tapestry needle. “Lilac Collage” has blue flowers with little pearl beads for embellishments. “Lily of the Valley Collage” is GREEN. Good looking piece.

Luminous Fiber Arts has “Boo Whoo” with a small cat and a small owl patterns for Halloween. The pillows are trimmed with gathered ribbon. “Moonlight Mischief” has a witch with a broom, pumpkin, cat, and moon, This is a great size for a pillow. “Halloween Parade” is shown as a pillow with a black cat wearing a hat, a pumpkin, and a bird with the work Halloween below. A very clever idea.

With Thy Needle & Thread has “Hocus Pocus” a scarecrow with a hat and a rake in his hand. He has on a black cape with a green shirt and a moon and star up above. “Jack O’Lantern” has a pumpkin head and a bird on a branch up above. “Spooky Stars & Stripes” has three pillows shown on the cover. Trick or Treat for one. “Autumn’s Calling” has the words “Autumn leaves & pumpkins, please!” with leaves and birds around.

Erica Michaels has “Abundant Autumn” with fall leaves and acorns. Suggestions for finishing the piece are a berry or mounted on a board for hanging. Piece is stitched on 30 Ct. Pecan Shortbread linen from Access Commodities. Weeks Dye Works floss was used. “Grateful Hearts” has words with autumn leaves on the trees and squirrels all over the place. A great fall piece. “Graveyard Cartouches” has small pillows with sayings. Stitched on Tin Roof linen from Weeks Dye Works and sayings like I’m Gone, Ricky D Bones, Pearl E Gates, and R.I.P. “Trick or Treat



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Berries” stitched on Haunted linen from Picture This Plus with all sorts of buttons on top.

The Drawn Thread has “Texas Bluebonnet” with botanical stitches. Model was stitched on 30 Count Antique Lambswool Linen with Needlepoint Silk and Dinky Dyes Silk threads. “Spot of Summer” is a small piece stitched on 32 Count Light Sand Belfast Linen with DMC threads and one Whiskey from Weeks Dye Works Overdyed floss. “Spot of Spring” has small birds, a rabbit, a sheep, and alphabets. “Spot of Winter” has a snowman, tree with snow, a house, and birds. “Spot of Autumn” has pumpkins, an acorn, and lots of fall leaves.

Teresa Kogut’s Creative Whims has “Celebrate” with a collection of 15 Cross Stitch charts. The charts are seasonal and every day designs. “One Day at a Time” is an early American Folk Art Cross Stitch chart. The saying “The best thing about the future is that it comes one day at a time by A. Lincoln is something to think about. “Patriotic Tweet” has a God Bless the USA pillow with a bird and also a larger chart with a flag, bird, and Est. 1776. “1810 Folk Art” is an early American design with the year 1810 above the house.

HELP WANTED!

Think you would enjoy knowing the latest in the needlework world? Want to learn more about the industry? Perhaps you would enjoy being part of our team? If this sounds like something that you would like to do, please come and see Pam.



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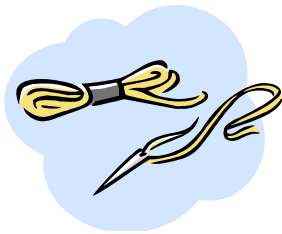
COMING ATTRACTION



3 Stitches Gathering

September 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30

10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon



Wednesday morning is *stitching time* from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Enjoy the morning by starting the day off right.

What a great place to stitch - good lighting and share stitching with others who enjoy your interest. Be a part of a group who enjoys stitching and having fun. There are so many good people in this industry. Come meet them.



Saturday Stitches!

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12:30 PM to 4:45 PM

We would like to invite you to join us on the 2nd Saturday of every month! Come relax and enjoy the afternoon. Meet new people and say hello to the regulars who have been around for a while. Don't miss out stitching with fellow stitchers. Think of all the projects you could get finished if you were here. Bring your project and come and stitch. What a perfect way to spend a Saturday afternoon. If you don't have a project, remember there is one here just for you.

Don't forget to check out our website!

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Thank you for your patronage.

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Bring this newsletter into the shop.

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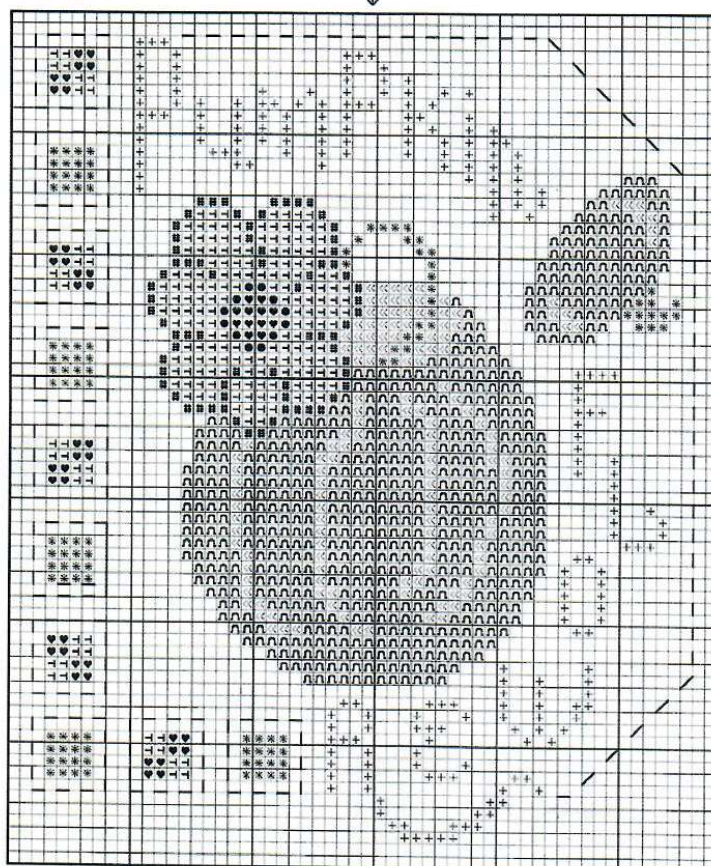
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Thread Color Chart

Symbol	Weeks Dye Works	Color
*	Seaweed	2159
+	Plum	2321
+	Indian Summer	4121
∩	Sweet Potato	2238
♥	Whiskey	2219
<<	Carrot	2226
●	Scuppernong	2196
Symbol	Rainbow Gallery	Color
#	PB12	Lavender

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"Pumpkin Flower"

← Hope you enjoy stitching our "pumpkin flower". We think it is a fun transitional design as the seasons move from Summer to Fall. Please feel free to share it with your stitch buddies!

Directions: Use 1 strand of thread (floss/petite braid) for all stitching. Stitch design over 1 fabric thread.

Use 1 strand 4121 Indian Summer for running stitches.

Design Size: 30 ct. - 2.20 H X 1.80 W
Stitch Count: 66 H X 54 W

Model: The model was stitched on 30 ct. Northern Cross compliments of Norden Crafts, Ltd. using Weeks Dye Works overdyed floss and Rainbow Gallery Treasure Braid (petite).

Fabric: Use 30 ct. Northern Cross (Natural) Cut fabric 3" larger than design size on each side to ensure proper mounting of the finished piece.



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Give Thanks

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Website: <http://www.theprimitivehare.com>
Fabric: 30 ct Old Salem Linen
Grid Size: 73W x 89H
Design Area: 11,79 cm x 15,24 cm (65 x 84 stitches)

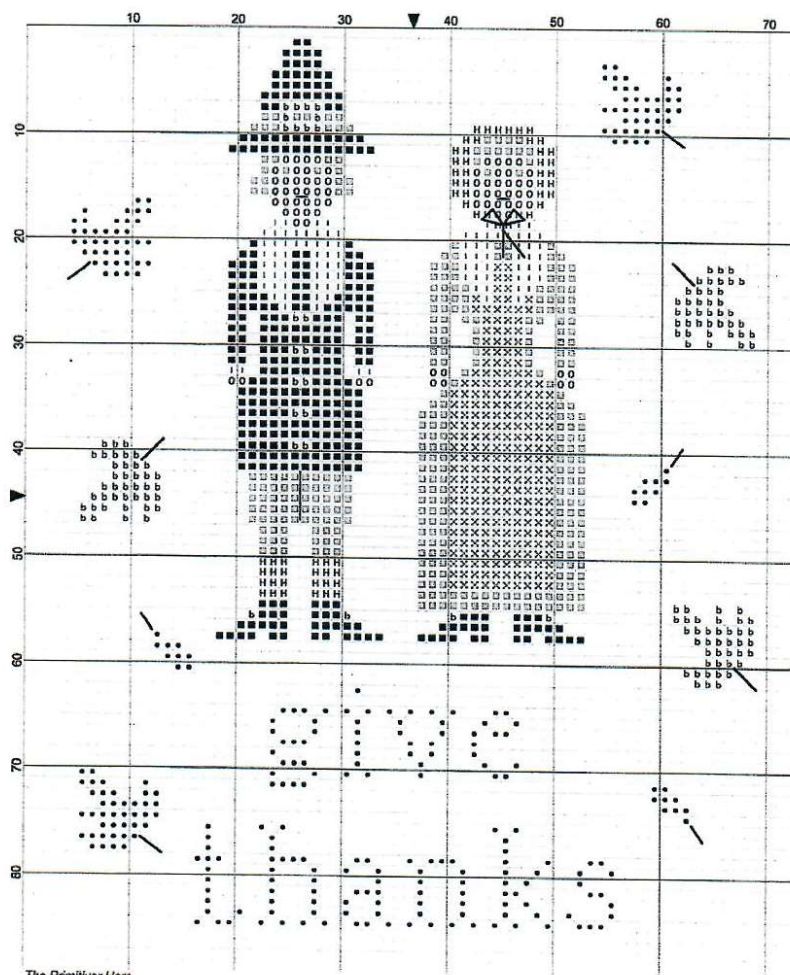
Legend:

× [2] Steel by Nina's Thread	1 [2] DMC 3865 winter white
o [2] DMC 543 beige brown - ul vy lt	• [2] Mossy Brick by Nina's Threads
□ [2] DMC 838 beige brown - vy dk	H [2] DMC 642 beige gray - dk
b [2] Amber by Nina's Threads	■ [2] DMC 310 black

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Backstitch Lines:

— DMC-838 beige brown - vy dk — DMC-310 black



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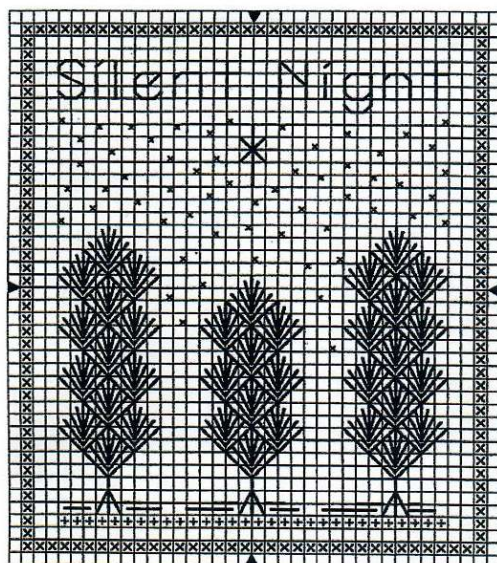
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SILENT NIGHT

Designed by Elizabeth Foster

Stitch Count: 36 x 42 (2 1/2 x 3) on
28 Ct. Dusty Miller Linen (Wichelt)

DMC Floss

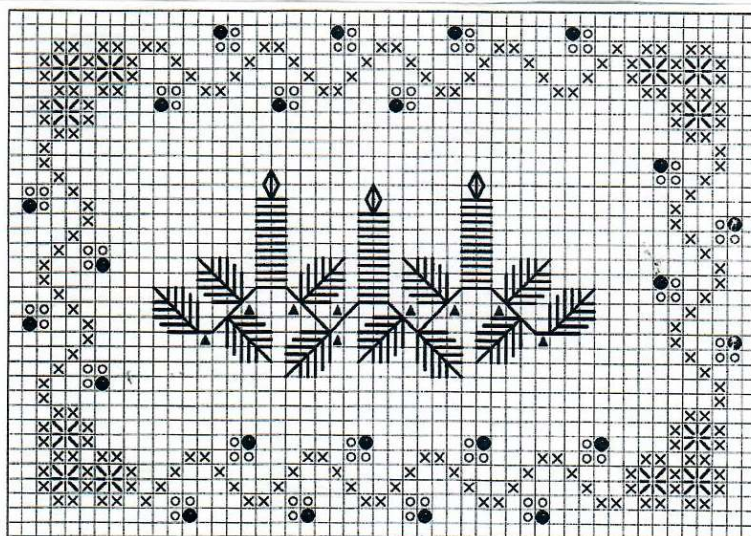
	500
	728
	840
X	930
+	B5200
x	B5200
Weeks Dye Works Cypress	

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Backstitch the words with one strand of 500. The star is worked with two strands of 728. Work the vertical and horizontal legs and then work a cross stitch over 4 fabric threads on top of them. The leaf stitches are worked with two strands of Weeks Dye Works Cypress. The falling snow is cross stitches over 1 fabric thread, using B5200. The tree trunks are two strands of 840. The snow is long stitches with two strands of B5200.



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Christmas Candles

Designed by Elizabeth Foster

28 Ct. Platinum Linen

Stitch Count: 49 x 34

Design Size: 3 1/2" x 2 1/2"

X	NN153
O	NN133
▲	Red Bead 03003
●	White Bead 00479

Algerian Eyes: #8 Pearl Cotton White

Leaves: Needle Necessities #133 (1 st.)

Candles: #8 Pearl Cotton White

Flame:

Outer backstitch is Kreinik Braid #8, color 221. The vertical center stitch is Braid #4, color 003HL.

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Supplies used for model:

32Ct. Gold Raw Belfast

NN153-Gentle Arts Buckeye Scarlet

NN133-Crescent Colours Grasshopper

*Stitched using 2 Strands except 1 strand for leaves

#8PC- Weeks Dye Works Snowflake

MH Treasure for flame - 13027

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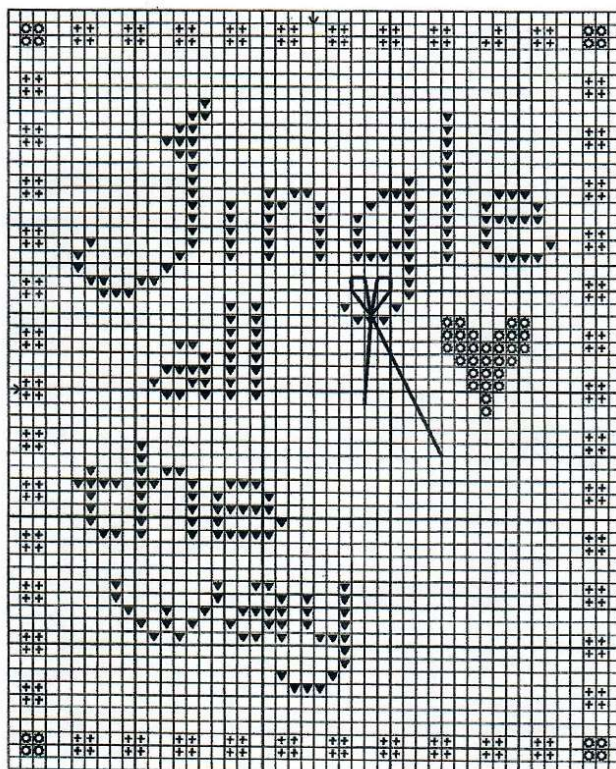
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Jingle All the Way

An Ornament from Just Another Button Company™



count: 46 x 58
14 count size: 3 1/4" x 4 1/4"
cut linen: 8" x 9"

R&R Reproductions 28 count Santa's Suit Linen
Gentle Art Floss

▼ Blue Spruce
+ Brandy
⚙ Shutter Green

TO STITCH & EMBELLISH

Separate strands and use two at a time. Stitch over two threads of linen for each square on the chart. Long stitch bow with two strands of Brandy.

When stitching is completed, press and attach buttons with a small needle and matching thread or floss. Use a small needle such as a size 8 quilting "between".

Finish as an ornament or place in a small frame.

SHOP SOURCES

Linen	Floss
R&R Reproductions	The Gentle Art
757.474.9660	614.855.8346

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Button Placement Diagram



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