

Project: Stylized Bloom

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Pretty in pink and bursting with stitch goodness, this funky blossom comes to life with rings of highly textured embroidery.

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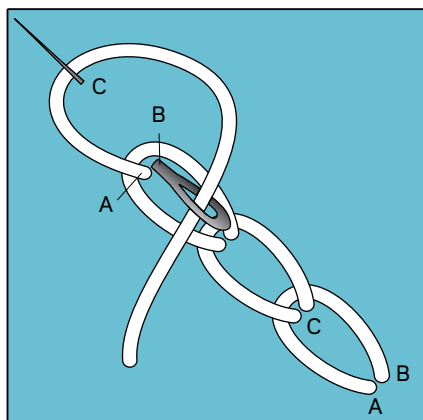
Materials

- 12" square of 100% cotton fabric in white
- 6"-diameter wooden embroidery hoop
- DMC embroidery floss: #600, #604, #899, #963, #3687, #3831
- Pink metallic thread
- Embroidery needle
- Crafts glue
- Silver spray paint

Instructions

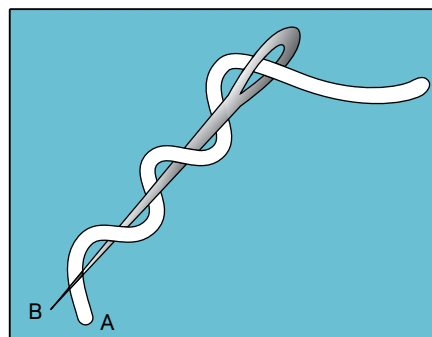
1. Pattern is on page 4. Using a light box or sunny window, trace pattern, below, onto center of fabric using a sharp pencil.
2. Place fabric in embroidery hoop, centering traced design inside hoop. Pull fabric taut and tighten screw.
3. Use three strands of embroidery floss for all stitches unless otherwise indicated. Refer to color key on pattern for embroidery floss colors and **Stitch Glossary** for stitch diagrams and instructions. Stitch short straight stitch lines in center of flower using a single strand of floss.
4. Remove embroidery from hoop. Using a warm iron, press finished embroidery. Set aside.
5. In a well-ventilated area, spray-paint hoop with silver paint; let dry.
6. Insert embroidery into hoop, centering design and pulling fabric taut.
7. When all stitching is complete, turn the hoop over. Stitch a running stitch approximately 1½" outside the hoop in the fabric that extends past the hoop edges. Pull the thread to gather the fabric; knot the thread. Trim away the extra fabric approximately 1" outside the gathered line.
8. If desired, cut a felt circle that is slightly smaller than the back of the embroidery hoop. Whipstitch the felt circle to the gathered fabric on the back side of the hoop.

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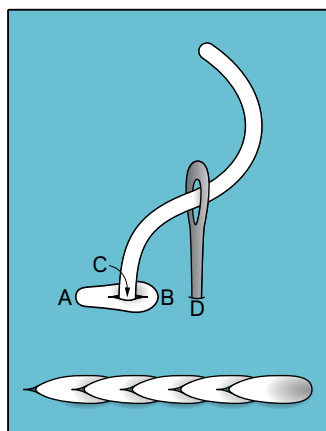
CHAIN STITCH

To chain-stitch, pull the needle up at A, form a U shape with the thread, and hold the shape in place with your thumb. Push the needle down at B, about $\frac{1}{8}$ " from A, and come up at C. Continue in the same manner.



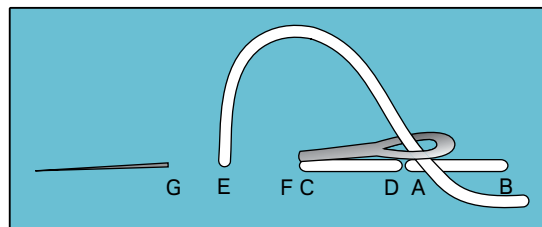
FRENCH KNOT

To stitch a French knot, pull the thread through at the point where the knot is desired (A). Wrap the thread around the tip of the needle two or three times. Insert the tip of the needle into the fabric at B, slightly away from A. Gently push the wraps down the needle to meet the fabric. Pull the needle and trailing thread through the fabric slowly and smoothly. Repeat for as many French knots as desired.



SPLIT STITCH

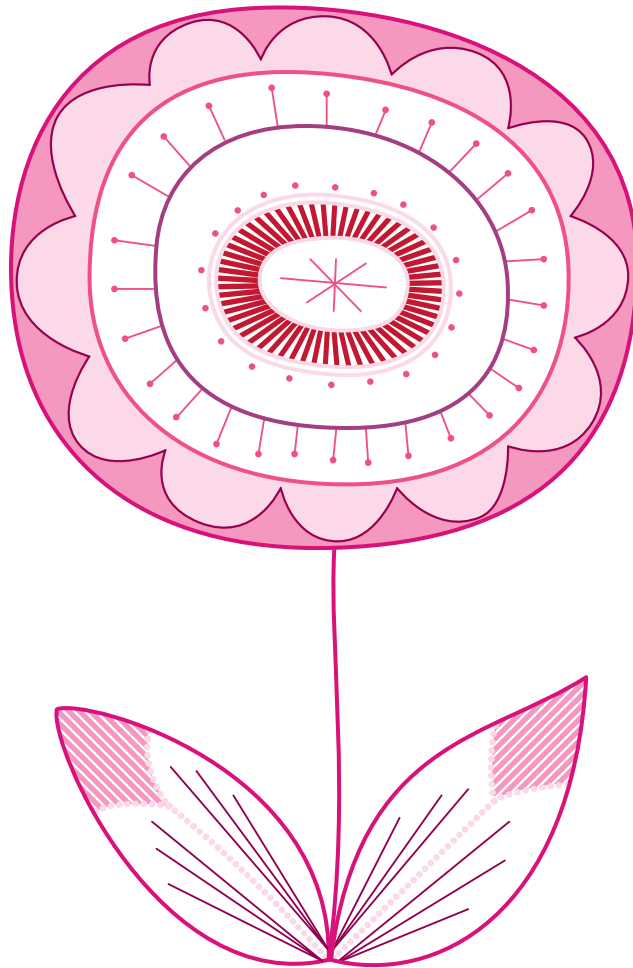
From the back of the fabric, pull the needle up at A, make a short straight stitch, and go back down at B. Push the needle up at C, piercing through the center of the first straight stitch; then make a straight stitch and go down at D. Continue in the same manner.



BACKSTITCH

From the back of the fabric, pull the needle up at A. Insert it back into the fabric at B, and bring it up again at C. Push the needle down again at D, bring it up at E, and so on.

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DMC COLORS:

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● #604	● #3687
● #899	● #3831
● Pink Metallic Thread	

—	Straight Stitch/Backstitch
—	Chain Stitch
•	French Knot
■	Fill with Split Stitch
▨	Fill with Satin Stitch

STYLIZED BLOOM
FULL-SIZE EMBROIDERY PATTERN

This box should measure 1".

← 1" →

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