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Anniversary Sale:



September 21st – 25th we will do our traditional anniversary celebration. Draw a “treat candle” from the cake to see what your discount will be by looking at the color on the bottom of the stick – 10%, 15% or 20% on your regular priced purchases.

Come in to get your favor and help us mark another year!

Next T.O.M. begins January

2022: Instead of a block of the month to make a quilt, we will be doing a table topper of the month. These will include Riley Blake fabrics for the top and binding plus the pattern all assembled in a nice boxed package. We will also have Riley Blake coordinating fabrics for the backing 10% off if you want to use them to finish your topper. Each month will be designed by a different designer and be subject oriented by holidays in the month. It will start with April's topper so you have enough time to complete by the time the month is here. Finished size will be 36" x 36". Cost will be \$45.00 per month. There is still time to reserve your set of kits.



August Sale: From August 17th – 21st all shaped specialty frames will be 25% off.

October = Love to Shop Hop Trail: This runs from Oct 13th to 16th, 10-5 each day, with five stores participating: Fiberworks, Waverly; Crazy to Quilt, Cedar Falls; Jen's Needlework, Aplington; River Valley Quilts, Clarksville and Little House Quilting, Greene. A cute panel with coordinates await finishers.



TECHNIQUE TIP: Wool Applique.

This is a relaxing technique. The stitch used to attach wool pieces to the background of a design is often the blanket stitch. Try to make these as uniform in size as possible. The leg that goes up into the applique piece should be the same length as the distance between stitches. You can use a piece of Tiger Tape (which also has lines across it) or painter's masking tape to lay along the edge so you know how far to put your needle in. You can also take a fine tip marker and put lines on this tape to help you get started for uniformity. When you get to a corner and have to change directions, you may have to adjust the spaces to make the turn. On “v's” either inside or outside, you can do a stitch on either side having your needle run parallel to the edge of the wool piece to determine where to put your turning stitches. You can also put one right in the middle of the V and it can be longer for a decorative stitch. Other embroidery stitches that can be used around the edge are running or back stitch or angled whip stitch. If you are working in a circle, make a circle of freezer paper smaller so the outside edge is your guide for length and attach to the middle. Be sure to keep your stitches perpendicular to the edge. If you want a length guide you can fold your circle repeatedly in half and mark those lines when you unfold it. Some people mark their thumb with lines and hold it along the edge. If you are whipping two edges together, be sure you are stitching straight down. It can help to lay your piece down with the edges extended over, then your stitch will be the same length on both sides. When you make a stitch, tighten it by pulling to the side rather than up so it will lay nicely on the edge. As for thread, you can use embroidery floss but you will need to watch the tension on multiple ply. A pearl cotton size #8 or if you like a heavier look, size 5 can be used. For color, if you want your stitching to show, you can choose a contrasting color. If you want it to be less obvious, then match your applique color.

DesignAndBeMary has several good YouTube videos with examples of the wool applique technique. Practice, practice, practice to be even.

Thank you to: Sisters & Best Friends Acorn and Threads that gives you the option for counted cross stitch or punch needle. The Byzantine Christmas Ornament from Lois Caron is an oldie but goodie and I sort of missed Christmas in July so we will do Christmas in August 😊. Obviously you will repeat a mirror image for this design to get a diamond shape.

Still no classes scheduled in the store at this time. We are open for walk-in business. Masks may be worn but not required if you are fully vaccinated.

All Iowa Shop Hop drawing winners:

Ellen Rowland from Ralston, NE; Durelle Zacharias from Persia, IA; Kathy Hovey and Jennifer Logan-Lorenz from Cedar Falls; Elisa Pinter from Cresco; Rita Weinber from West Des Moines; Marilyn Even from Elk Run Heights; Amy Grundmeyer from Walker. Prizes included a Yazzi Bag and zipper bag from AISH plus three runner kits, two quilt hangers and a bobbin holder from us. Congratulations.

A BIG thank you to all who participated in the AISH!

THE LOIS CARON COLLECTION

BYZANTINE CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT ©

Top stitch of Cross always in same direction.

BYZANTINE CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT

Materials—Makes 2 (two) 2-1/2" Ornaments

- 1 piece 18-mesh canvas (5 x 10)
- 1 skein Watercolours. This is a 3-ply cotton. Separate and use only one ply.
- 1 needle
- 2 pieces Ultrasuede or other backing fabric, each 2-1/2" square.

Procedure

1. Mark center of canvas for each ornament. After step #2, work rows from the center out to edge.
2. Do 32 Tent stitches away from center, horizontally and vertically.
3. Follow the chart, working each successive row around the entire perimeter of the ornament. Alternate the direction of stitches in each quadrant as illustrated on the chart.
4. Before completing the final row, cut a 5" piece of Watercolours and do not separate the strands. Run this thread through several stitches on the back of the work, anchoring both ends in the needlepoint.
5. Complete the final row of Cross stitches. These stitches will also help anchor the hanger.
6. Carefully cut the canvas close to the stitches.
7. Block, if desired. If you leave the ornament as it is, without blocking, it will have a way, 3-dimensional appearance.
8. Glue or stitch fabric of your choice to the back of ornament. If you use a non-woven fabric, such as Ultrasuede, there is no need to turn under a hem.

Shoppers have permission to photocopy these instructions.

WHAT'S NEW!

Kits: Mill Hill – Four Seasonal Mandala Quartets; Christmas Day Santas – Memories, Giving, Morning; Snow Fun Snowmen ornaments – Trimming, Skating, Cooking, Wishing, Tumbling, Giving; Autumn Harvest – Rosie Raccoon, Pumpkin Delivery, Enchanted Moon; Permin – Cone Angels ornaments, Peter Underhill – Angels are Near; QT – Picnic Petals Quilt (2 colorways), Pine Tree Country Quilt Santa's Night Out and Diamond Melody featuring Adagio; Kwik Kit – Harmony Strips and Squares; Snap Sack – Boxers wallhanging new colorway; Three Jars Full – Three Stars of Night Runner, Winter Town Square wallhanging. **Other stuff:** It's Sew Emma: Fabric covered tape measures, Mad for Plaid Project Bag in two colors; Dritz – long arm centering tape measure; Patrick Lose – Pinwheels (2 ½" strips) Dapple; Blank – Jot Dot I and II 2 ½" rolls; The Gypsy Quilter – Sit Upon to help your posture when sewing; GE Designs – ruler arrow stick ons; Purse Organizer – two sizes with lots of pockets and zippers; Bead Buddy – Design Save 'n Go mini; Quilt Dots – Lori Holt Snip and Stitch magnets. **Quilting Fabric:** Kanvas – Radiant (fall colors); Elizabeth's Studio – Lovely Pansies, Stars & Stripes (flag print); Oasis – Red, White & Blue Stripes; Q T Fabrics – Christmas Cardinals, A Little Handy (tools), Tricks & Treats, Baby Mobile panel; A. E. Nathan – Comfy Prints juvenile flannel; 3 Wishes – Home for the Holidays, Happy Fall; Blank – All That Glitters (Christmas); Fabric Traditions – Mosaic Mist (pre-quilted); Timeless Treasures – USA, Eagle and Flag panel, Palazzo, Harvest, Leaf panel gradient colors. 108" backing prints pre-cut in 3 yard pieces for grab and go.

QUILTING: **Cozy Quilt Designs:** Blurred Lines; **Marcy Layton Designs:** Yo Yo Fall Fest; **CastillejaCotton:** Cottage Grove Lap; **Kimberbell:** Ginger's Kitchen Bench Pillow; **Vanilla House Designs:** Artsy Purse!; **Around the Bobbin:** Cappuccino Bag II; **Quilts Illustrated:** Islander Bag; **The Rivendale Collection:** several new ones with quilting and hand embroidery designs.

CROSS STITCH: **Little House Needlework:** Hometown Holiday Grocery Store, October's Party; **Scissortail Designs:** Autumn Blessings; **Stoney Creek:** Santa's Stars & Stripes, 2021 Summer magazine; **Country Cottage Needleworks:** Sampler of the Month August & September; **Cottage Garden:** Time for All Seasons Strawberry Harvest #6, Sweet Summer Time #7; **Heart in Hand:** Merry Making Mini Flower Fun, Halloween Square Dance #2; **It's Sew Emma:** Prim Stitch Series #12 Hands and Heart To God, Bee in My Bonnet Set 1, Snowballs for Sale; **Tiny Modernist:** Halloween Wreath, Sewing Room Bellpull; **Jeannette Douglas Designs:** Stitch Tray Set; **Hands On Designs:** Lick the Bowl, It Came With the House, Let's Talk Summer, Signs of Season #1 Fright This Way, Resting Beach Face, If Pumpkins Could Fly; **CM Designs:** The Pollinator; **Waxing Moon:** Halloween Street; **Needle Bling Designs:** Coffee Break; **Imaginating:** Let's Do Laundry, Halloween Party, Feeling Wicked; **Chessie & Me:** Stitching Sisters; **Blackberry Lane:** Sugared Gumdrops, Peppermint Candy; **Primrose Cottage Stitches:** Welcome Autumn, Autumn House, Winter House; **Homespun Elegance:** Flag Waving Santa, Snow Happy, Believe in Santa; **AuryTM Designs:** Courage; **Cross-eyed Cricket:** Forever, A Sweet Friendship; **Plum Street Sampler:** Always Remember, Flag Flock and Sheep Keep, Hedge Row, The Equality Sampler, Flirting; **Erica Michaels:** Summertime Berries, Bristol Berries II, God Bless America; **Just Cross Stitch:** 2021 Halloween Magazine; **Amy Breucken Designs:** Snow Friends # 1 & 2; **Bobbie G Designs:** Never; **Rosewood Manor:** Angels in Blue, Dreaming of Fuschia; **Luminous Fiber Arts:** Farm, Counting is Hard.

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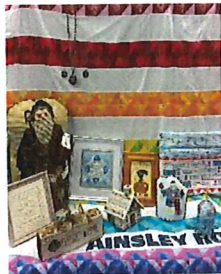
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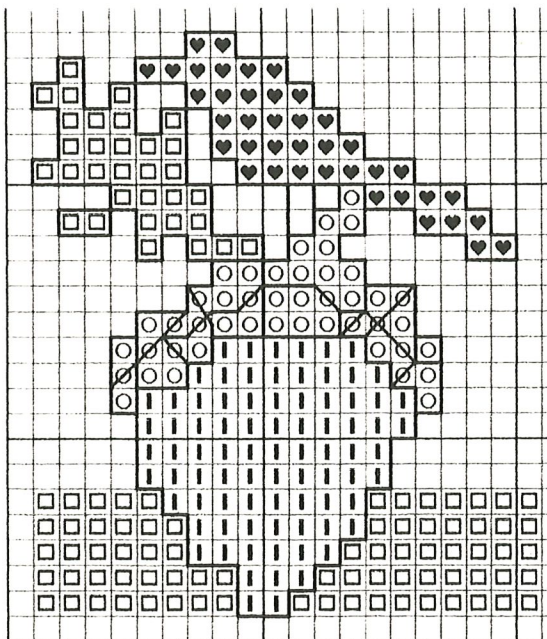
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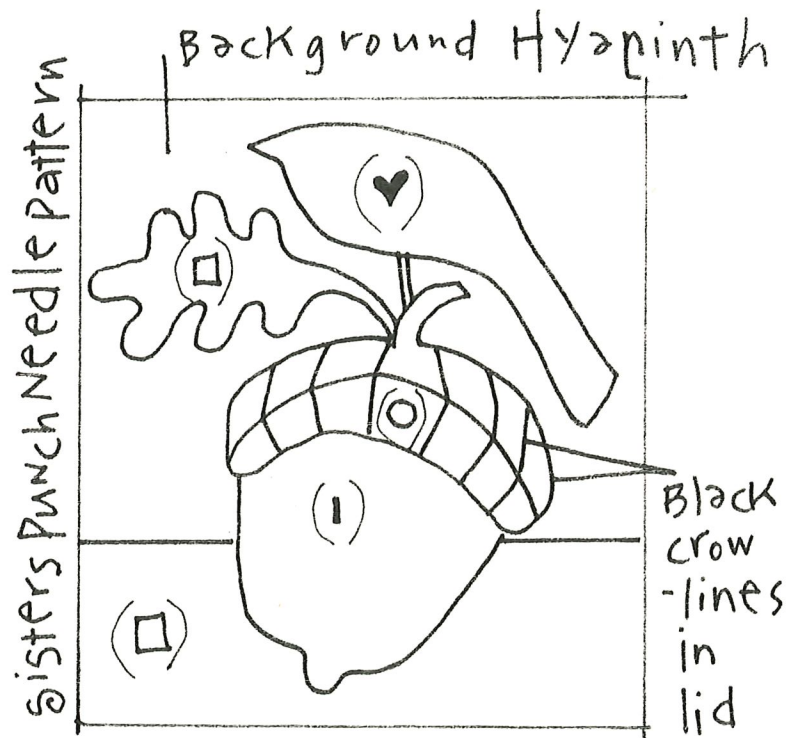
Love to Shop Hop Trail
October 13-16



Acorns & Threads



Now stitched on DaVinci 18 linen over 1 thread, with 2 strands of Sampler Threads for all close stitches and 1 strand for backstitching.
For Chart from Sisters & Best Friends for Needle and thread only.



Symbol	Number	Name
♥	310	Black Crow
□	3819	Corn Husk
—	920	Bittersweet
○	838	Cinnamon
—	310	Black Crow