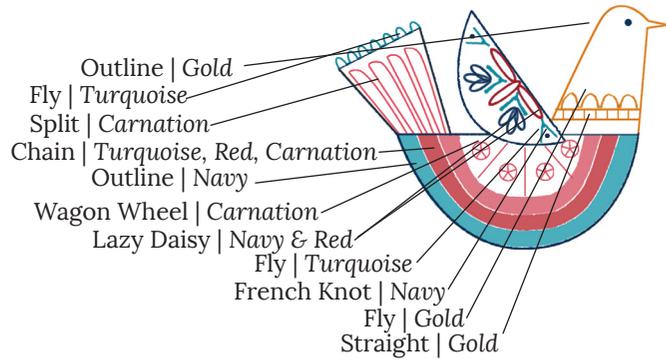
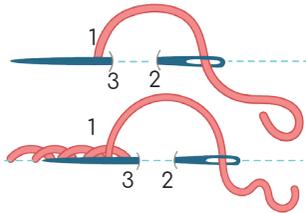


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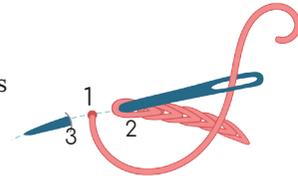
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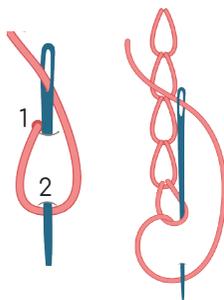
Outline Stitch. Bring needle and thread up through fabric at 1. Insert needle back into fabric a stitch-width to the right (2) and then come back up just before the previous stitch (3). The result is overlapping stitches. (NOTE: you'll start at the LEFT end of line to be stitched.)



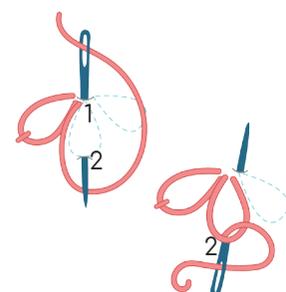
Split Stitch. Do this like the Back Stitch EXCEPT, enter right through the middle of the previous stitch rather than to the left of it. This is great for tight detailed curvy lines.



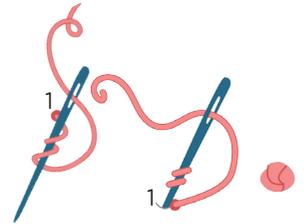
Chain Stitch. Bring needle and thread up at 1. Insert at the same spot and up at 2. As you do this, loop working thread under the needle at 2. Pull thread all the way through to create a snug loop under the thread. Repeat by inserting needle at 2 and coming up a stitch ahead--again with the working thread looping under the needle.



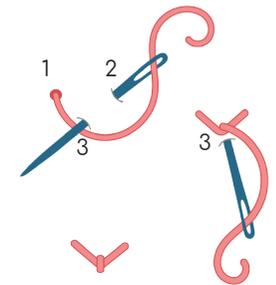
Lazy Daisy. Bring needle and thread up at 1. Insert back at same spot and up at 2. As you do this, loop working thread under needle at 2. Pull the thread all the way through and create a snug loop under the working thread. Insert needle back down very near 2 to secure. Loops can be combined to create a full flower.



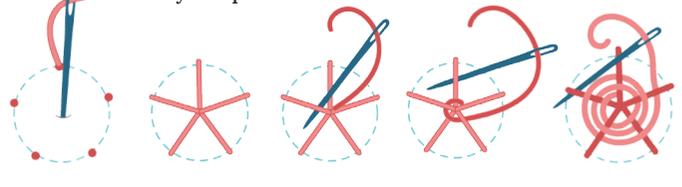
French Knot. Bring needle and thread up through fabric at 1. Wrap thread twice around needle (front to back). Hold thread taut and insert needle back very very close to 1. Continue keeping thread taut. Slide wrapped thread down to fabric and pull needle all the way through to the back--which creates the French Knot on top of the fabric.



Fly Stitch. Bring needle and thread up at 1. Insert to the side at 2 and back up at 3. As you do this, loop working thread under needle at 3. Pull the thread all the way through and pull snugly to create a "V". Insert needle back down very close to 3 to secure. Taut, deep stitches will look like a "V" and looser, shorter stitches like scallops.



Wagon Wheel. Add 5 straight stitches that go from outer edge of circle into center. Come up next to center. Weave needle and thread over and under the "spokes" of wheel, going around until wheel is full. At end insert needle at wheel edge, hidden just under the last round. Don't pull too tightly as you weave. Let the thread layer up to create a rosette.



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Print and transfer the pattern on the next pages to to fabric using your favorite approach. I like printing to sticky-backed water soluble fabric stabilizer that I can layer over my fabric for stitching then wash away when I'm done. YOu might also use a light box and water soluble transfer pen to trace.

This smaller design will fit inside a 3" hoop.

The larger design measures 4" across and would be great stitched to felt with 4 or even 6 strands of floss. Cut two copies of the shape, stitch together and stuff for a padded ornament.

Enjoy the stitching. -- Debbie

