



A gift for you from the American Needlepoint Guild

Fan Stitch Ornament by Pat Dugan



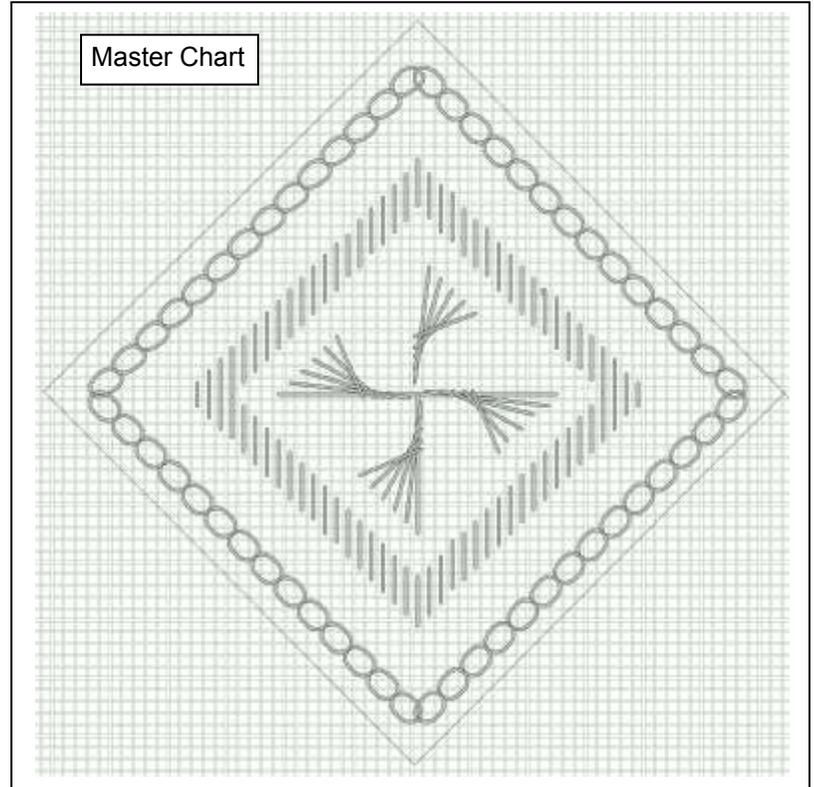
Materials List

2 pieces 18m Canvas 4"x4" each.

Size 5 or equivalent single strand thread such as Pearl Cotton, Watercolours, Overture, etc... Overdyed threads work well but consider pearl cotton that contrasts with your canvas for a dramatic look.

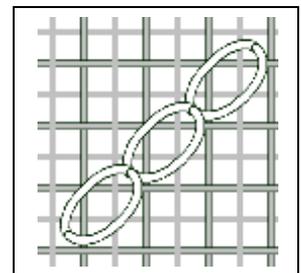
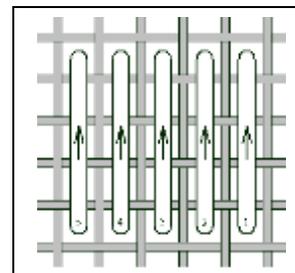
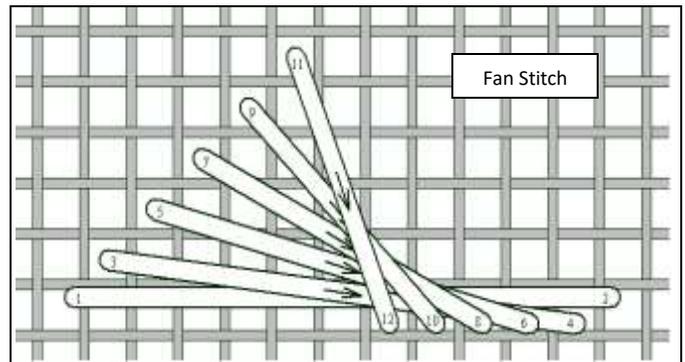
Size 22 or 24 tapestry needle.

Fan Stitch Ornament



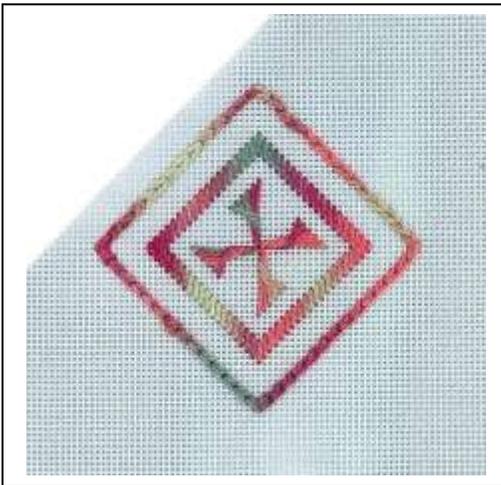
Note: For overdyed threads, a pull is one piece of the thread as it comes off the skein or card, a strand is one piece from the pull. Cut thread one full repeat of the colors.

- 1) Begin stitching your ornament by determining the center of the canvas and counting out 12 threads. With one strand come up through this point and go down in the center hole covering 12 canvas threads.
- 2) Stitch the second stitch by coming up one thread diagonally the last stitch and down in the next hole in line with where you went down for the last stitch using your needle to nudge the last stitch towards the center so you can pass this stitch over the last. Repeat until you have 6 stitches.
- 3) Work 3 more Fan Stitches as diagramed. To avoid the thread shadowing thru slip your needle under the stitches on the back the way to the center and come up 12 threads above center.
- 4) With 1 strand of thread work the Satin Stitches as diagramed. Be sure to step up or down and watch the count at the corners carefully.
- 5) With a new strand of thread work the Counted Chain Stitch diagonally over two intersections as diagramed.

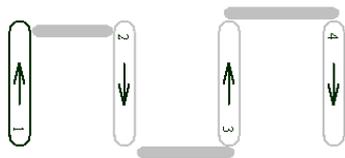


Fan Stitch Ornament Finishing

1) Stitched Fan Stitch Ornament side – you need two. Cut as shown about 6 intersections out from the Chain Stitch border cutting all four sides of the front and back of the ornament.



Ladder Stitch



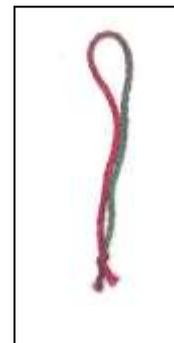
3) Using Ladder Stitch and 1 strand join the edges of the two ornament sides stitching only through one side of the Chain Stitch Border. Do not stitch into the canvas. Place about 4-5 stitches then pull on the working thread to set the seam in place. When you reach the hanger wrap your stitching thread around the hanger a couple of times close to the ornament to keep it in place then continue stitching.



2) Finger press the seam allowance on all four sides of front and back pieces. Be sure to press right along the Chain Stitch border.

Match canvases with backs together and fronts facing out.

Hanger and Tassel



To make your hanger cut an 8" piece of the pull of thread and tie the ends together in a firm knot. If you're making a scissors fob make this hanger long enough for the ornament to pass thru to tie onto the scissor. Be sure to nestle the knot inside the ornament as you're stitching the front and back together to secure the hanger.

To make your tassel fold 2 cut lengths of the pull of thread in half and then in half again centering a single strand of thread (about 6") in the second fold. Tie the single strand in a tight knot. Using a single strand threaded on a needle and leaving a tail as long as the tassel, wrap the folded strands about 1/2" below the knot and pull tight for about 4-5 wraps until you have a band you like. Stitch up thru the wrap and back down again half way thru. Cut the tails of the working thread when you cut the tassel to length.

Have fun with this, change up the threads, add metallic or beads and create an ornament you will love!