Embroidery Hoop Kit - Love

Kit Includes

- 1 x printed fabric
- > 8 x embroidery threads
- 2 x embroidery needles
- >1 x 16cm bamboo hoop

Before You Begin

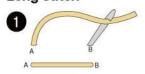
- Prepare the fabric on the embroidery hoop by separating the 2 circles and laying the fabric over the inner one. Place the larger circle over the top and press down to secure the fabric. Adjust the fabric position to ensure the design is centred. Tighten the screw and gently pull the fabric edges to ensure it's taut. Do not pre wash the fabric.
- Embroidery thread is made up of 6 strands of thread twisted together.
 We recommend using 2 strands of thread cut into 1 meter lengths to be more manageable.
- To separate the threads, pinch the end of the thread in between your thumb and forefinger to spread out the strands. Take 2 strands in your other hand and pinch the remaining thread in between your thumb and forefinger and gently pull the 2 strands of thread up. Continue to slowly pull until entirely separated. The thread will gather, but it should not tangle.
- Begin your embroidery by following the guide image for colour and stitch reference. It may be helpful to practice stitch types before beginning. Tie a knot to start and end your thread.
- To complete your hoop, turn it over and trim the excess fabric from the edges. Alternatively, trim the fabric and fold it over the inner part of the back side of the hoop. Use hot glue to secure the fabric.

Guide Image



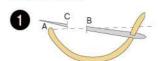
Learning The Stitches

Long Stitch



Bring the needle up where you want to begin stitching at A and then insert at B. Continue to fill the shape with stitches.

Stem Stitch



Bring the needle up where you want to begin stitching at A. Insert the needle at B at a slight diagonal and pull through at C (half-way between A and B).



Repeat stitches, keeping the thread on the left side of the needle and making sure stitches are the same length.

Satin Stitch



Starting at the edge of your shape, bring the needle up at A and pull the thread through, Insert the needle at B and back up at C. Pull the thread through to form the first stitch.

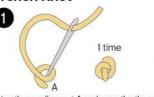


Repeat the first sequence to create a set of parallel stitches. Continue to fill the shape with stitches.



Satin stitch can also be angled to produce a fan shape. This is formed by bringing the needle through the same hole at the base of the fan, as shown.

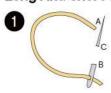
French Knot



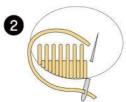


Bring the needle up at A and wrap the thread around the needle 1-2 times. Then pull the thread snug around the needle with your free hand. Insert the needle back into the fabric, close to the original hole. Pull the needle and thread all the way through the fabric to create a french knot.

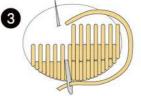
Long And Short Stitch



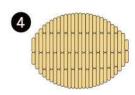
Bring the needle up where you want to begin stitching at A. Insert at B at a slight diagonal and pull through at C (half-way between A and B). Pull the thread through to form the first stitch.



For row 1, working along the edge of the shape, make stitches next to each other, alternating between long and short stitches. The short stitches should be half the length of the long stitches.



For row 2, work long stitches in the spaces created by the short stitches.



Continue with more rows until you've reached the opposite side of the shape.