

SHEAR Creations
for JB Designs

Nutcracker Santa CST 2
Stitch and Thread Guide



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SUGGESTED THREAD LIST

As Pictured

1 skein DMC Floss #225
1 skein DMC Floss #310
1 skein DMC Floss #318
1 skein DMC Floss #762
1 skein DMC Floss #902
1 skein DMC Floss #930
1 skein DMC Floss #932
1 skein DMC Floss #3688
1 card Wisper #W88
1 card Splendor #S802
1 skein Impressions #5081
1 skein Spring II #316
1 skein Spring II #341
Mill Hill Glass Seed Beads #00553
Mill Hill Glass Seed Beads #00561
Mill Hill Glass Seed Beads #02006

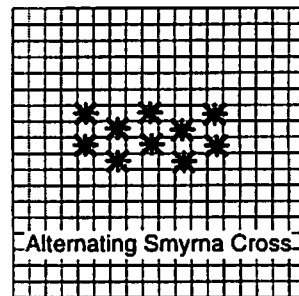
Alternate

1 skein Anchor Floss #1026
1 skein Anchor Floss #403
1 skein Anchor Floss #399
1 skein Anchor Floss #397
1 skein Anchor Floss #897
1 skein Anchor Floss #1035
1 skein Anchor Floss #1033
1 skein Anchor Floss #60
1 card Kit Kin #Y1
1 skein DMC Floss #Blanc
1 skein DMC Floss #699
1 skein Anchor Floss #73
1 skein Anchor Floss #972

STITCHING INSTRUCTIONS

1. The face is worked in Basketweave or Tent stitch with 5 strands of DMC Floss. Use #225 for the face, #3688 for the cheeks, and #902 for the mouth and lines under the cheeks. Use #310 for the eyes, #318 for the eye lids, and #762 for the eye brows. Stitch Santa's hair and beard with loose French Knots. Use 2 strands of Wisper #W88 to complete this area.
2. Using 1 strand of Spring II #341, Basketweave the wine colored area or lining of the hood. Tent stitch the wine colored lines which form the outline of the arms and shoulders as well as the lines on the sides of the coat.

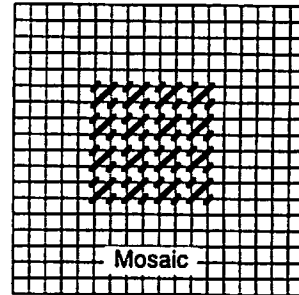
3. The green areas of the garland and wreath are worked in Alternating Smyrna Cross Stitch. Use 1 strand of Impressions #5081 compensating to match the painted canvas. Attach Mill Hill Beads using the cross stitch method in the garland and wreath. Use #00553 for the red dots, #00561 for the green and #02006 for the blue.



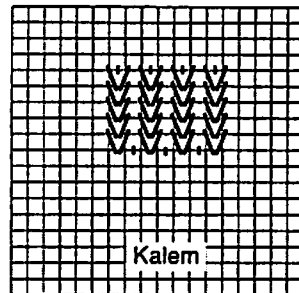
4. Tent stitch the light blue areas of the belt using 5 strands of DMC Floss #932. Fill in the darker blue areas with Slanted Gobelin stitch using 5 strands of DMC Floss #930. Compensate to match the painted canvas.
5. Basketweave the light pink areas between the underskirt and the coat trim using 1 strand of Spring II #316. Using the same thread, Basketweave the light pink areas under the garland and above the wine colored lines that represent Santa's shoulders.

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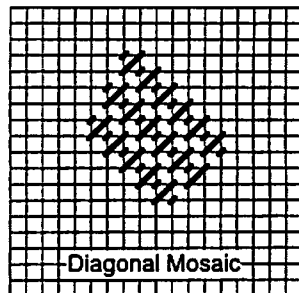
8. The wine colored underskirt is worked in Mosaic Stitch using 1 strand of Spring II #341. Tent stitch the line from the belt down to to the middle of the wreath. At this point begin the Mosaic stitch and compensate to match the painted canvas.



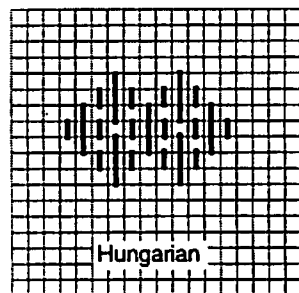
6. The mittens are worked in the Kalem stitch. Use five strands of DMC Floss #932 and compensate to match the painted canvas.



7. The white cuffs and coat trim are worked in Diagonal Mosaic using 4 strands of Splendor #S802. On the right side of the canvas work the diagonal from left to right. Reverse this for the left side of the canvas.



9. Stitch the remainder of the canvas in Hungarian stitch using 1 strand of Spring II # 316 compensating as necessary.



This guide provides basic stitch suggestions. For more specific stitch instructions see:
Christensen, Jo. The Needlepoint Book, Englewood Cliffs NJ: Prentice-Hall, Inc., 1976.
Howren, Suzanne, and Robertson, Beth. Stitches For Effect, Alexandria, VA: Self Published, 1996.