



Pretty Little Pots

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39. Pollyanna's Pot

Finished size: 4 1/4" x 7"



Requirements:

Background fabric: 6" x 9"

Wool: 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" mauve, 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" lilac, 2" x 2" pale blue

Fabric for yoyo: 3" x 3"

80 weight thread (or similar): neutral.

Batting: 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

Cotton for pot: 3" x 3 1/2"

Freezer paper

Cutting:

1. Cut out the background fabric 5 ¼" x 8"
The block will be trimmed when finished to 4 ¾" x 7 ½"
2. Cut out the pot (N) in cardboard and batting
3. Cut out the fabric for the pot allowing approx. ½" seam allowance around all edges.
4. Trace the pattern for the flower circles onto freezer paper and cut out or use 'perfect circle templates. Alternately, the circles can be cut out as you go. For the outer circle, cut it out as a circle and then take small 'nicks' for the jagged edge.
5. Cut out the yoyo from the template provided.

Making: Little Pot

As before

1. Place the batting onto the cardboard pot shape.
2. Place the fabric over the batting and glue to the underside of the cardboard. Try to fold the fabric over as tight as possible.
3. Press the fabric from the right side and then again from the underside. Allow to cool and then carefully remove the cardboard. (a cuticle stick is helpful for this)
4. Using the template as a guide for placement, pin the pot into position.
5. Stitch with small slip stitches to attach the pot to the background.

Flower, stem and leaves:

1. Make up the yoyo as before and stitch to the small wool circle with colonial knots. You could stitch this to the wool before cutting out the circle and then cut out after it is attached.
2. Stitch this circle to the next circle with zig zag stitch. Stitch some pistil stitch between the zig zags.
3. Stitch this circle to the outer circle with a row of running backstitch.

Clip the outer edge of the large circle to create the jagged edge.

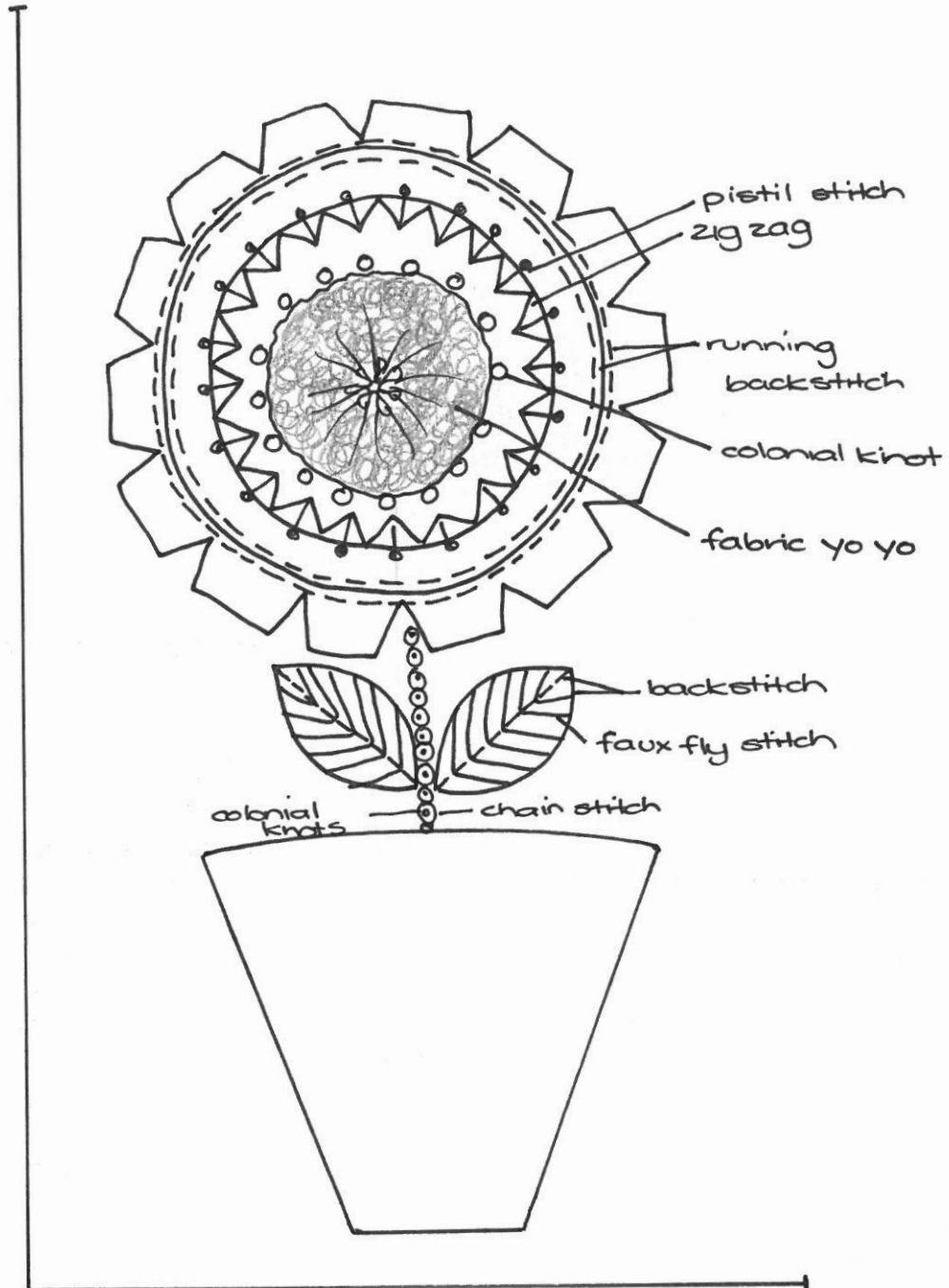
4. Stitch the circle to the background with a row of running backstitch close to the outer edge of the previous circle.
5. Chalk a line for the stem and stitch it with a row of chain stitch. Add a colonial knot into the centre of the chains.
6. Chalk in lines for the leaves.

Stitch the outside lines with a row of backstitch starting from the lower edge near the stem. Continue with a row of backstitch up the centre of the leaf finishing at the top. Bring your needle out at the side near the top.

Slide your needle under the 3rd backstitch in the centre and take a small stitch on the other side at the top. Slide under the next backstitch and take another stitch on the other side at the top. I call this faux fly stitch.

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Note- the lines are shown to indicate the correct size as a guide for printing.



Stitch guide:

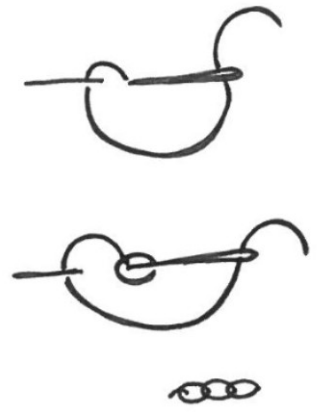
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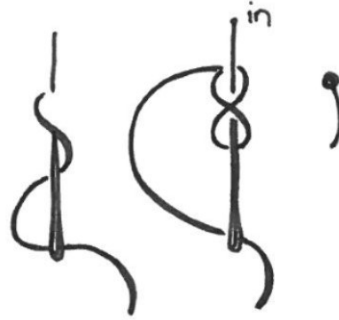
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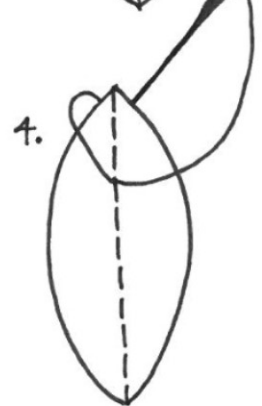
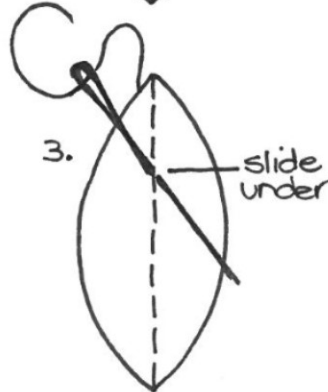
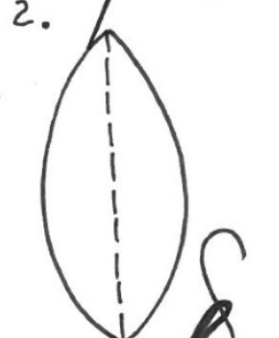
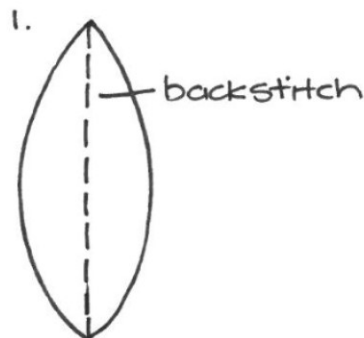
Chain Stitch:



Colonial knot:



Faux Fly Stitch:



Zig zag (glove) Stitch:

