

Christmas Joy Pinkeep

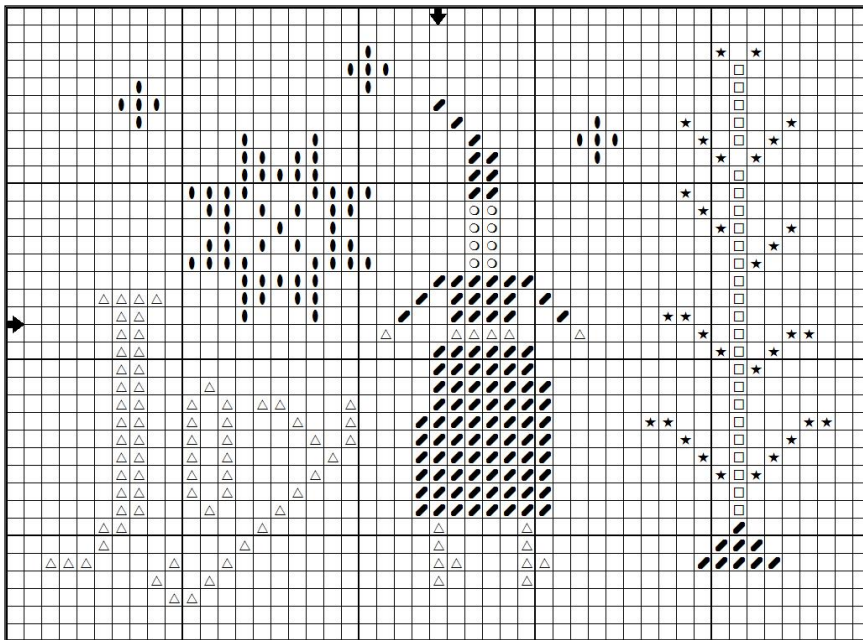
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Supply List & Floss Table

28 count linen: 5" x 6"
2 pieces of wool: 5" x 6" each
Stuffing of choice

4 rusty jingle bells
Walnut crystals
Bit of old rag

Old cookie sheet
Latex/vinyl gloves



Symbol	Strands	DMC Floss Colors	
△	1	420	Hazelnut Brown-DK
○	1	612	Drab Brown-LT
●	1	822	Beige Gray-LT
★	1	3012	Khaki Green-MD
◐	1	3021	Brown Gray-VY DK
□	1	3781	Mocha Brown-DK

Stitch count – 32h x 45w
Finished pinkeep – 4.5" h x 5.5" w

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Instructions

1. Stitch design using 1 strand of floss over 2 linen threads. *If you don't wish to age your work, skip to #7.*
2. Preheat oven to 200°F.
3. Put on gloves. Mix walnut crystals (approx. 1/8 tsp.) with 1½ cups water in an old bowl you will no longer use for food. Adjust amount to suit your needs. You won't need much!
4. Place stitchery on cookie sheet. Take the rag and dip it into the aging mixture; dab it all over stitchery.
5. Place cookie sheet in oven, turning needlework every 1½ -2 minutes until dry. Watch closely; don't leave oven unattended.
6. Repeat until you get the desired look. Hint: when dabbing on the solution in repeat steps, dab in random areas to create an old, stained look.
7. Put two pieces of wool together and stitch (¼" seam allowance), making sure to leave an opening at the bottom for stuffing.
8. Turn right side out; stuff; whipstitch bottom closed.
9. Trim linen around stitchery to within ¼" of design. I did this freehand. No need to be perfect – it's primitive.
10. Lay stitchery on top of pinkeep and pin in place.
11. Whipstitch to pinkeep, turning edges under ¼" as you go along.
12. Stitch a jingle bell to each corner, stick some pins in your pinkeep and you're done!



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