

Starry Serenade Redwork Pattern



Welcome to the Starry Serenade Redwork Pattern.

This piece has been designed for a redwork quilt - and is embroidered in one shade of red embroidery floss - but feel free to experiment and try other colours as well.

I enlarged this design to 150% and embroidered it using chain stitch onto a piece of calico measuring 50cm x 50cm. At this size, with a backing sewn on, it makes a perfect cushion cover ideal for a child's room.

You will need:

At least 35cm x 35cm (14" x 14") of plain cotton fabric.
Red cotton embroidery floss (good redwork colours are DMC 321, 498 or 817 or Anchor 1005, 13 or 47)
Embroidery hoop
Washable transfer marker

Transfer the design to your fabric; tape your pattern to the underside of your fabric and use a lightbox or a bright window pane to trace the image from the design to your fabric. Use a washable transfer marker which can be found in most craft or fabric stores.

Mount in an embroidery hoop and stitch around the design using two strands of the embroidery floss at a time.

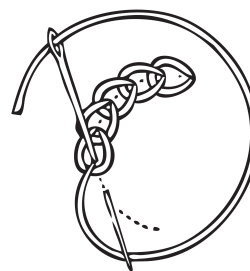
You could use any number of stitches. Traditionally Redwork is done in stem stitch or a simple running stitch. Split stitch is another good option. As I mentioned, I used chain stitch to give me big, chunky lines. Fill the eyes in with satin stitch and the dots in the ears can be done as French knots.

Follow the washable transfer marker instructions to wash or dab out the marker.

Enjoy!

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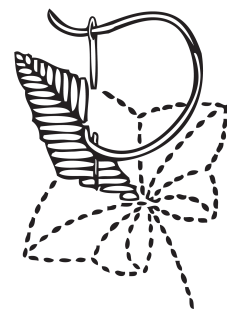
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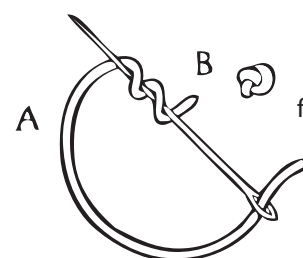
split stitch



stem or outline stitch



satin stitch



french knot

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