

## Flower Christmas Stocking

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Finished Size: 2 X 1-1/4 inches  
Stitch Count: 43 X 26

- Fabric: # 22 count Hardanger, Antique White
- Needle: size 8 embroidery needle with a sharp point
- DMC Embroidery Floss
- Stocking Loop: Red Crochet Thread

Fold fabric in fours, center each design in each fabric quarter.

### Color Chart

Cross-Stitch - Use 1 Thread of DMC

Symbol	DMC	Color	Qty of Floss
□	Blanc	White	4 Threads
■	310	Black	4 Threads
■	347	Red	1 Thread
■	518	Blue	1 Thread
■	905	Green	1 Thread
■	899	Pink	1 Thread
■	3821	Yellow	4 Threads
■	30321	Red Rayon	5 Threads

### Basics of Cross Stitching

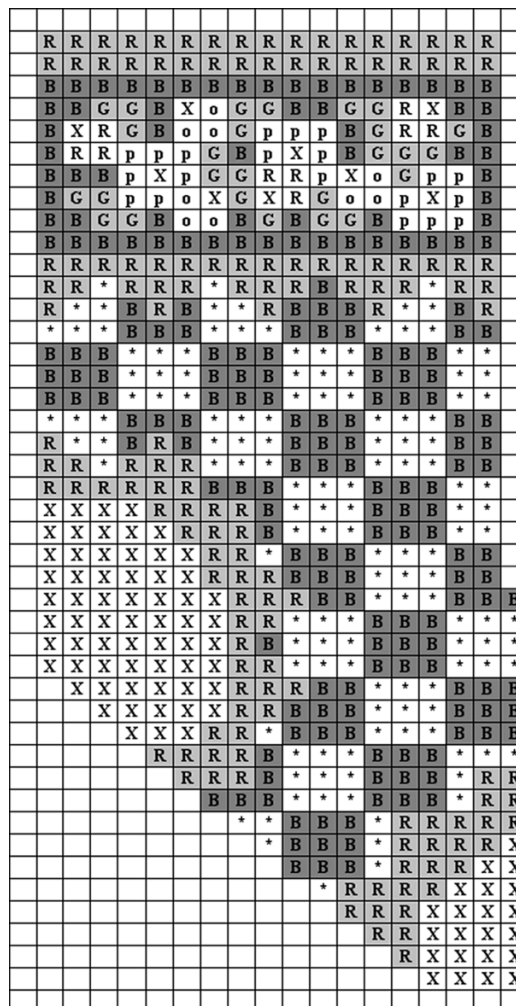
Start with clean hands, otherwise every stitch will pick up dirt and tarnish your piece. Always work the cross stitches first and then add the outline backstitches. Each square on a charted design represents one cross stitch or one thread of fabric.

### Cross Stitch

Work from left to right, bottom to top (stitches 1 & 2). Then go back and cross the stitches from bottom to top (stitches 3 & 4). Be consistent, all your bottom stitches should go in one direction, as should your top stitches, otherwise, when the light is reflected off your piece, it will not look smooth and even. Keep your stitching tension consistent. If your thread becomes worn looking as you are stitching, finish off and start with a new piece. Use no longer than 18 inch lengths.

### To Finish Stocking

Dip in warm water, wrap in towel, steam iron front side down on terry-cloth towel. Cut around each stocking, leaving a 1/4" seam allowance. With a toothpick, spread a small amount of Tacky glue on backside, top selvages of stocking and fabric piece, and fold down. On backside, spread a small amount of glue around all stocking edges to be sewn. With right sides together, stitch around stocking, trim to 1/8" seam, and turn right side out. Make a small loop out of crochet thread and glue to inside corner of stocking top. Glue side selvages down flat.



### Cross Stitch

