Ornament of the Month

The pattern is a free download for you to print and use. It is only available free during the month it is offered. Each month a new pattern will be posted.
Kits can be ordered anytime at:
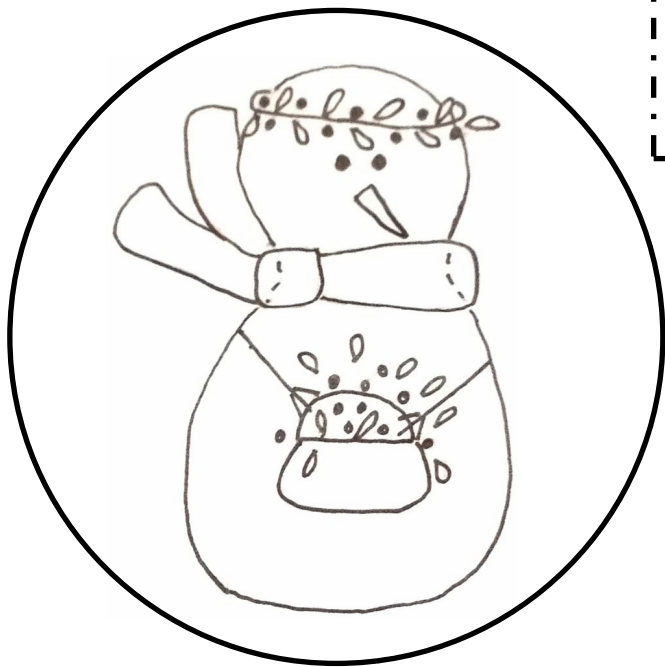**www.attic-heirlooms.com**
The kit will contain all the fabric needed to make the ornament, Paper backed fusible, fusible interfacing and any embellishing items for that month if applicable.
Kit does not include pattern (during the free access month) but will be included in kits ordered after that month.
IMPORTANT WHEN ORDERING THE KIT. YOU MUST PUT THE CODE FOR YOUR CREDIT CARD YOU ARE USING IN THE COMMENT BOX OR YOUR CHARGE CAN NOT BE MADE TO SEND YOU THE KIT!!! I WILL NOT BE OFFERING THIS AS AN AUTOSHIP EACH MONTH. YOUR CREDIT CARD INFORMATION WILL NOT BE SAVED FOR YOUR PROTECTION.

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April Ornament of the Month

Pattern is reversed for you!

I use Soft Fuse, a paperbacked fusible and lots of steam!
I like to use an iron on interfacing on the back of the wool circle. This gives a firmer body to stitch to and also when stuffed it keeps its shape better.

Trace 2 circles for ornament front and back on fusible Interfacing. Iron interfacing to ornament wool. Cut circles out on the traced line.

Trace pattern designs onto paper side of fusible. I cut the scarf in four pieces. Use the dotted lines to trace the snowman. Rough cut around the design and fuse to the back side of your wool. Cut shape out by cutting exactly on the lines. Position pieces onto ornament wool being sure to leave space for stitching around the edge of the ornament. Fuse pieces in place. A damp press cloth and lots of steam helps the glue to melt and fuse better due to the thickness of the wool.

Stitch around pieces with a blanket stitch or whip stitch. Embellish as suggested or as you wish.
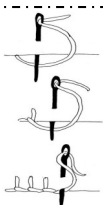
Embellishing:
      A. Wreath and arms & basket handle - Outline stitch
      B. Leaves - Lazy daisy stitch
      C. Berry and eyes - French knots
      D. Nose - Satin stitch

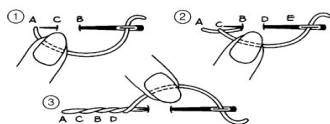Stitch around ornament using blanket stitch leaving a stuffing opening at the bottom.

Starting ¼" from bottom of ornament holder, blanket stitch up side, across top and down the other side, stopping ¼" from bottom edge. Keep needle threaded. Position over top of ornament overlapping the wool and continue stitching around the bottom of holder attaching it to the ornament as you go. Add thread to hanger to allow hanging.
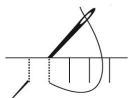
Enjoy the work of your hands!

BLANKET STITCH – TAKE AN UPRIGHT STITCH TO THE RIGHT OF WHERE THE THREAD CAME UP WITH THE NEEDLE POINTED DOWN, KEEPING THE THREAD UNDER THE NEEDLE AND COMING OUT ON THE LINE.

OUTLINE STITCH - BRING NEEDLE UP AT A AND INSERT AT B. BRING NEEDLE BACK OUT AT C HALF WAY FROM A TO B. GO IN AT D AND BACK OUT B. CONTINUE.

WHIP STITCH - BRING THREAD FROM BACK OF FABRIC JUST OUTSIDE THE EDGE OF THE DESIGN. TAKE SHORT STRAIGHT STITCHES PERPENDICULAR TO THE EDGE OF DESIGN. SPACE STITCHES THE SAME IN DEPTH AND WIDTH.

LAZY DAISY STITCH – HOLD THREAD DOWN WITH THUMB AND INSERT NEEDLE WHERE IT FIRST CAME OUT. BRING POINT OUT A SHORT DISTANCE AWAY KEEPING THE NEEDLE ON TOP OF THE THREAD. FASTEN LOOP DOWN WITH A SHORT STITCH.

BACK STITCH - BRING THE THREAD THROUGH ON THE STITCH LINE THEN TAKE A SMALL BACKWARDS STITCH. BRING THE NEEDLE OUT A SHORT WAY FROM THE LAST STITCH AND REPEAT

FRENCH KNOT - HOLD THE NEEDLE IN YOUR RIGHT HAND. WITH YOUR LEFT HAND, WRAP THE THREAD AROUND THE NEEDLE 1-3 TIMES, DEPENDING ON THE SIZE OF KNOT YOU WANT. BE SURE NEEDLE POINTS AWAY FROM THE FABRIC WHEN YOU WRAP THE THREAD AND WRAP IT CLOSE TO WHERE THE THREAD COMES THROUGH THE FABRIC. INSERT THE NEEDLE CLOSE TO WHERE IT CAME OUT. HOLDING THE KNOT IN PLACE, YOU CAN PULL THE NEEDLE TO THE WRONG SIDE OF FABRIC.