Hanger- cut 2
No fusible!



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.





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

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## January Ornament of the Month

PATTERN IS REVERSED FOR FUSIBLE TECHNIQUE

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. 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. Hat Outline or backstitch brim line.

  Add three lazy daisy stitches for holy leaves and red
  French knots for holly berry
- B. Pocket flower Stitch a stem using outline stitch or back stitch coming out of the pocket. Add a couple of straight stitches for leaves and some French knots forflower buds at the top.
- C. Eyes French knots, Nose Satin stitch, Mouth backstitch 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.

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.