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BOARD MEETING

Next Board Meeting is November 5th, 2007
at 9:30 AM at the home of Earla Swope.

MEMBERS MEETING

Second Wednesday of the month at La Posada
Recreation Room.

- Next meeting is November 14th with a 9:30
social time and 10:00 business meeting.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please send newsletter articles for the
December newsletter to Sue Swan at
sueswan@msn.com no later than November
25th Please include CW Newsletter in the
subject line.

Hello Cactus Wrens:

For those of you not back yet, we had a quick meeting and then Mary Ellen widen our knowledge once again with a wonderful program on beading both random and stacking beads. This technique can be used to create wonderful needlepoint designs. Mary Ellen has made some beautiful pins on some beautiful pieces of fabric. I for one am looking forward to the third and final class on stitching and finishing this wonderful design. Maybe one of our Cactus Wrens will win their own ribbon in 2008 at the National Seminar in Indian Wells for Original Design.

Please consider ordering a sweatshirt, polo shirt or denim shirt with the Cactus Wren logo. The form is in this newsletter and on-line. Keep in mind that this is a fund raiser for the guild.

At the Board Meeting it was discussed and decided that in order to keep the cost of the newsletter down, anyone with an email address would be receiving the newsletter on line. Those of you that do not have an email address will still receive yours via snail mail. If for some reason you would prefer not to have

yours sent email, please contact Sue Bumsted.

I look forward to seeing everyone in November –

Dale Miller
Head Wren

MONTHLY PROGRAMS AND FUTRUE PROJECTS

November Program:

Southwest Beading Appliqué Part III by Mary Ellen Searcy. This will be a stitching day and the day will be “almost full”.

Please plan to stay the whole day. Also, please bring your lunch. You will transfer the design, outline the design, break up the design into sections if desired, then pick simple stitches, attach the beaded circle and begin stitching.

SUPPLIES TO BRING:

In addition to the materials needed for the beaded piece, Mary Ellen suggests the following supplies:

1. Canvas, Congress or #18; no smaller than 9” X 10” for the bear and 9” X 12” for the shaman.
2. Stretcher bars
3. Threads in your choice of colors; suggested are floss (overdyed is fine), Splendor, Fiesta, Kreinik braids and blending filaments, and any other you might wish to use. Include strippable
4. Needles for your canvas/thread size
5. Threader for stitching threads, if needed
6. Sewing thread or floss in a contrasting color for basting
7. Feathers if desired
8. A light if desired
9. A stitching book of stitches

December Program:

Christmas Luncheon in the Activity Room at Canoa Ranch Golf Club. The time is 11:00 am and the Cost is \$20.

January program



Hardanger—Just another set of stitches! by Donna Lou Hetler assisted by Jennet Parker. The general program will start with a short “show and tell” talk on traditional and new trends in Hardanger. The “hands on” portion will be for those who want to learn how to start the project. The goal will be to complete enough stitching to do the dreaded “cut the fabric” step. Members need to sign up for this portion to ensure there are enough kits. (For those who are still traveling, please email LLNettling@aol.com and include Cactus Wren in the subject line if you are interested in the class, but will not return soon enough to sign up at the meeting). Charges, if any, for kitted materials will not exceed \$1.00. Donna Lou estimates that the class will continue through the lunch hour, so please bring a sack lunch.

The kit will contain:

1. 8” X 8” 26 count hardanger fabric
2. #8 perle cotton – 18-20 yards color

3. #12 perle cotton – 7-9 yards matching or white
4. 7 tiny pearl beads
5. Instructions, including finishing

Students need to bring:

1. Needles—needlepoint #22 or #24
2. Sharp scissors
3. Any magnification and lights normally utilized
4. Usual stitching supplies (note: This is not done on stretcher bars).

Supplies needed to finish, but not required or provided in the class:

1. Beading needle and thread
2. Coordinating fabric—Three 8" X 8" pieces

TIDBITS OF NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Dec. 12 – Christmas Luncheon](#)

Christmas Luncheon - December 12th

Time: 11:00 AM

Place: Grille on the Green - Canoa Ranch Golf Club

Bring: unwrapped children's gifts and food for food bank

Lunch: Franciscan salad + Dessert

Cost: \$20.00 - may pay at Nov. meeting

Directions: This is at the very south end of Camino del Sol. If on I-19, get off at Exit 56; take the west frontage road north to the 1st left (Calle Tres). Take to the 4-way stop and turn left (Camino del Sol) and go to the end. The clubhouse is on the left and the room will be on the backside. We'll have a sign up.

If you have items for the Opportunity Baskets, please bring to the November meeting. Questions: Rosemary at 399-3056

[Jan. 30 – All day Stitch In](#)

Resolve to “Finish 2, and then start 1 new”

We will have plenty of room to spread out and stitch. Let's dig in and attack those

UFO's. Please watch this space for more information in the next newsletter.

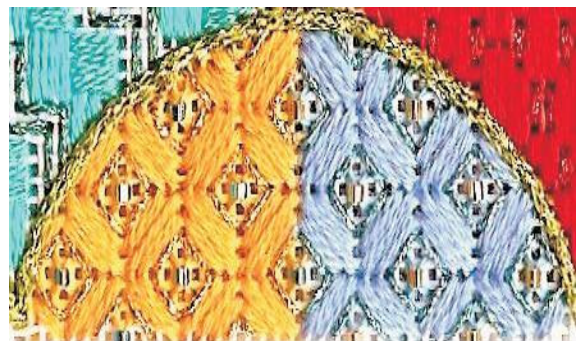
Thank you
Rosemary Johannesson

The Treasurer's Report with the October Financial Data will appear in the December Newsletter

STITCH OF THE MONTH

Stitch of the Month October 2007: Brighton Stitch

by Brenda Hart

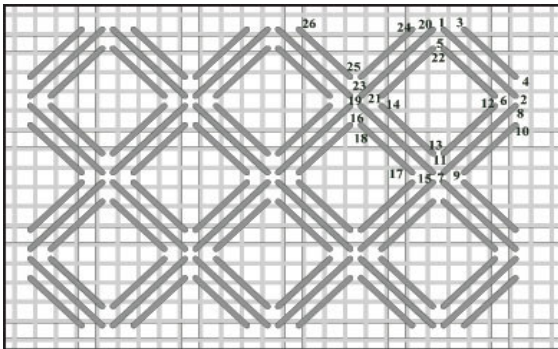


The Brighton stitch is stitch of the month for October. It is related to the

Scotch stitch. If you look at the stitch closely, it looks as though someone has taken the center stitches out of a group of Reversed Scotch stitches and placed those stitches together to make a pattern.

The Brighton stitch is an all over pattern, (perhaps I should say non-directional). There are times when it is necessary to use a stitch pattern that does not flow horizontally, vertically, or diagonally.

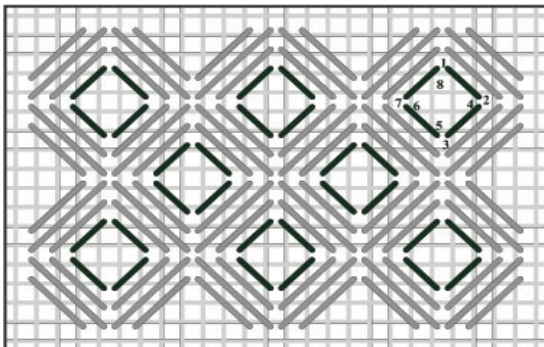
Also, the size of the stitch can be adjusted to make it fit into many different sized areas.



Brighton Stitch - Step One

The colored sample was stitched on 18 mesh canvas. I used 2 plies of Soie d'Alger. Other choices might be one strand of size 8 pearl cotton, one strand of Elegance, or one strand of size 8 Kreinik fine braid.

On 14 mesh canvas, I would use 4 or 5 plies of silk, one strand of size 5 pearl cotton, 2 strands of size 8 pearl cotton or Elegance, 2 or 3 plies of Medici, or one strand of size 16 Kreinik medium or size 16 Coronet Braid.



Brighton Stitch - Step Two

For step two, I used one strand of size 8 Kreinik fine braid. Other choices might be two plies of silk or floss, one strand of Elegance, or one strand of Flair.

On 14 mesh canvas, one strand of Petite Frosty Rays for step one, and one strand of size 12 Tapestry braid for step two. I like the look of a metallic thread against wool, so one or two strands of Paternayan for step one, and one strand of size 12 Kreinik Tapestry braid for step two could be used.

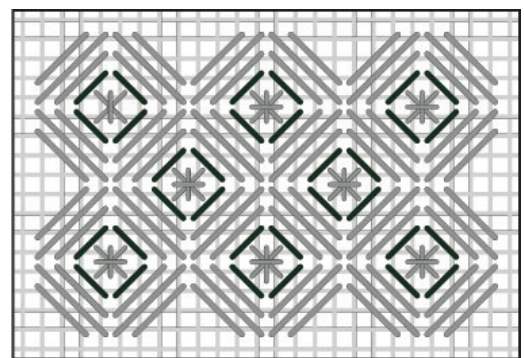
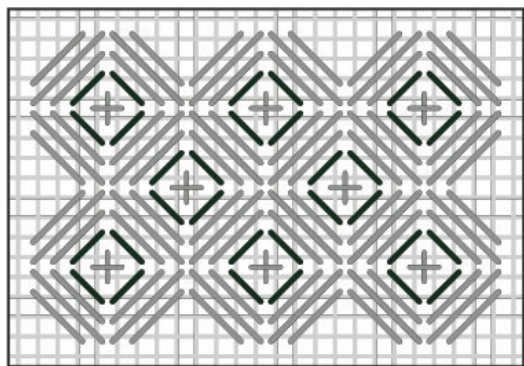
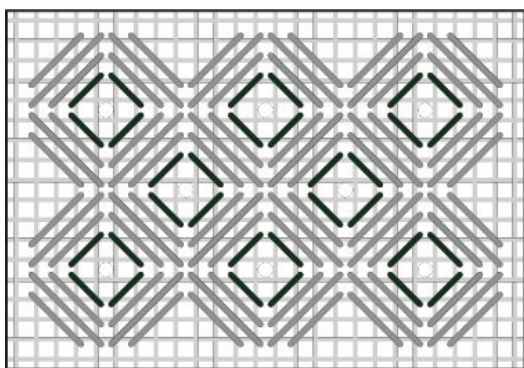
Brighton Stitch - Step Three

For Brighton stitch Step Three, I have listed 3 different options.

Option One: Beads or French Knots. Use size 14 beads on 18 mesh canvas and size 11 for 14 mesh canvas. Beads are like needles, the bigger the number, the smaller the bead.

Option Two: An Upright Cross looks very nice in the center of this stitch. There are many threads that could be used. Some of the choices could be metallic threads such as Kreinik braid, floss, silks, and or wools. If you choose to use Kreinik braids, use size 8 for 18 mesh and size 12 or 16 for 14 mesh.

Option Three: Symrna Crosses. Again, your imagination is your only limit for thread choices.



1 of each year to the Membership Chairperson. You will receive a statement from National for the dues you owe them and both are required to be kept current. It is important to inform your Membership Chairperson of any changes to your physical address, phone number and email address so National can be informed of any changes.

We are prorating the dues at \$1.35 per month from now to February of 2008. The amount listed will pay your dues through February 1, 2009. The following are due for October of 21.40. This will pay your dues through February 2009.

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The local chapter dues are \$16.00 per year and they are due and payable on February

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AMERICAN NEEDLEPOINT GUILD GREEN VALLEY CHAPTER

ALL ITEMS INCLUDE ANG LOGO EMBROIDERY ON THE LEFT CHEST

PRICES INCLUDE SALES TAX

LARGER SIZES AVAILABLE

POLO SHIRTS (mens sizing)	Small 34-36	Med 38-40	Large 42-44	XL 46-48	XXL 50-52	XXXL 54-55		Add \$3.00 for XXL	TOTAL
White							X \$25 =		
Butter							X \$25 =		
Bimini Blue (like a carolina blue)							X \$25 =		
Navy Blue							X \$25 =		

LADIES POLO SHIRTS	Ladies Small 6-8	Ladies Med 10-12	Ladies Large 14-16	Ladies XL 18-20	Ladies XXL 20	Ladies XXXL		Add \$3.00 for XXL	TOTAL
White							X \$25 =		
Butter							X \$25 =		
Bimini Blue							X \$25 =		
Navy Blue							X \$25 =		
Mango (coral/salmon)							X \$25 =		
Light Pink							X \$25 =		

SWEATSHIRTS	Mens Small 34-36	Mens Med 38-40	Mens Large 42-44	Mens XL 46-48	Mens XXL 50-52	Mens XXX L 54-55		Add \$3.00 for XXL	TOTAL
White							X \$25 =		
Natural							X \$25 =		
Light Pink							X \$25 =		
Light blue							X \$25 =		
Navy Blue							X \$25 =		
Sand							X \$25 =		

DENIM SHIRTS (mens sizing)	Small 34-36	Med 38-40	Large 42-44	XL 46-48	XXL 50-52	XXXL 54-55		Add \$3.00 for XXL	TOTAL
Long Sleeve							X \$30 =		
Short Sleeve							X \$28 =		

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