

Carnation Smalls—Tape Measure

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Materials

6 x 8 inch piece of 27 count Lugana in medium or dark colour
 6 x 8 inch piece of coordinating cotton fabric (lining)
 1 skein White embroidery floss
 200 white Delica Beads or white Seed Beads, Size 11/0
 6 x 8 inches cotton batting
 5 x 7 inches heavy duty fusible interfacing

Instructions

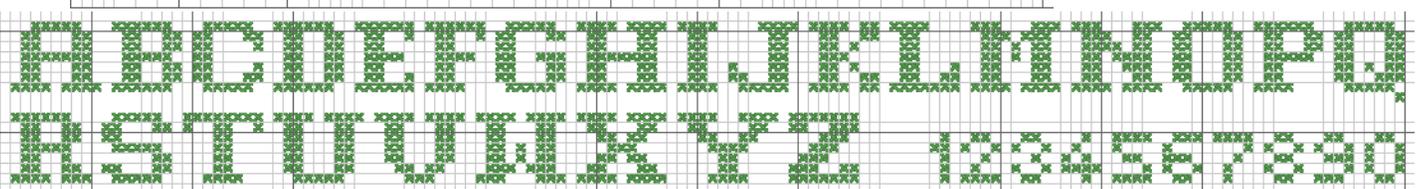
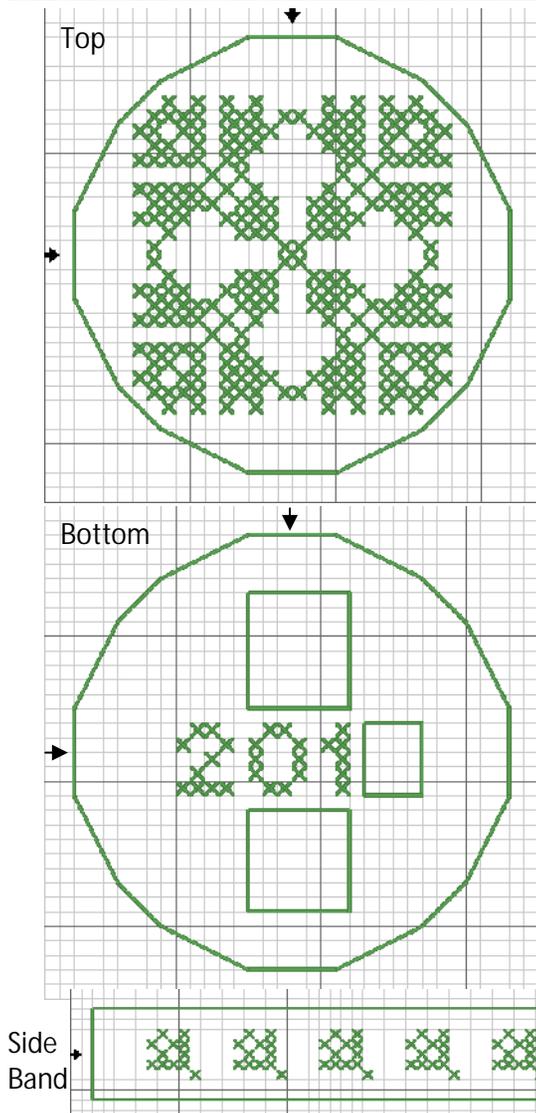
Cross stitch the top, bottom and side band over two threads using two strands of floss. Using two strands of floss, backstitch the outline according to the graphs. On the bottom piece, do not stitch the rectangles above, below and within the date. They are only to show where the letters and number should be placed. An alphabet is provided for your own initials and date.

Preparing the embroidered pieces

If needed, wash the fabrics and press. Cut 2 circles 2 1/8" in diameter and 1 rectangle 1/2" x 6 3/4" from the interfacing. Fuse the interfacing to the wrong side of the cross stitched fabric. Cut 2 circles 2" in diameter and 1 rectangle 3/8" x 6 1/2" from the interfacing. Fuse the interfacing to the wrong side of the lining fabric. When cool, cut out all six pieces with a 1/2" seam allowance. Cut 2 circles 2 1/8" in diameter and 1 rectangle 1/2" x 6 3/4" from the cotton batting.

Fold under the 1/2 inch seam allowance on all pieces. With wrong sides together, stitch lining to cross stitched fabric. Overcast stitch the top and band edges together through the outline backstitches putting one bead on with each stitch. Continue attaching beads to opening where tape measure comes out. Overcast stitch the bottom and band edges together through the outline backstitches putting one bead on with each stitch. Continue attaching beads to opening where tape measure comes out. If preferred, overcast all edges together first and attached beads all around top and bottom separately. Add a beaded or floss tassel or small fob to the tape measure pull so it won't disappear under the side band. If desired, punch a hole through the pull tab and pull threads through the

hole. Twist cord and attach fob or tassel to the end of the twisted cord.





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