

Stitch It

INTRODUCTION

Stitch It is back! The range allows you to mix paper crafting with embroidery to create festive stitched backgrounds, toppers, centrepiece sentiments, borders and more! Following on from our first Stitch It Guide, we've put together some advanced stitches and festive inspiration...

WHAT YOU WILL NEED

- One or more of our Stitch It Die Sets
- Die-cutting machine
- Low-Tack Tape
- Cardstock of choice
- Your choice of stitching material - we recommend thread, wool or ribbon
- Needle or small wool needle

DIE SETS AVAILABLE

View our full range of Stitch It Cutting Dies on our website

NEW CHRISTMAS COLLECTION



MSTONE407



MSTONE408



MSTONE409



MSTONE410



MSTONE411

CORE COLLECTION



MSTONE253



MSTONE254



MSTONE255



MSTONE256

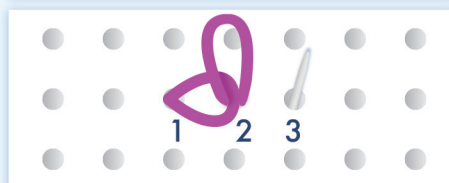
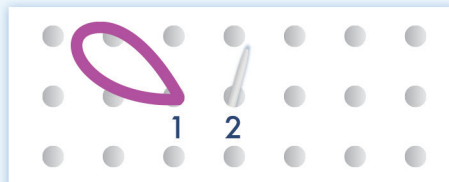


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Missed the first Stitch It Guide? Download it now at www.hunkydorycrafts.co.uk/hub

ADVANCED STITCHES

Why not check out our first *Stitch It* Guide on the hub for beginner stitches?

**Chain Stitch**

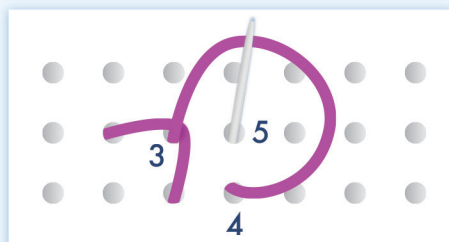
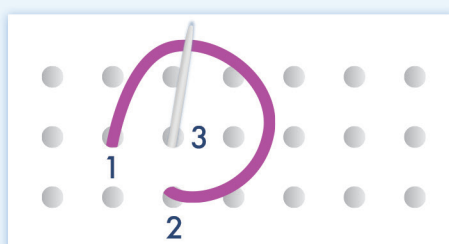
A chain-like appearance, or petals lined up.

To begin, bring your needle up through 1. Go back down into 1 to form a loop - be careful not to lose the loop by pulling too much! Push and hold the tip of your needle back up through 2.

With the needle poking out of the hole, place the loop over the needle point as shown. Now pull the needle out completely to tighten the stitch.

To start the next stitch, go back down into 2 ensuring the thread goes down at the opposite side of the loop to where you came up. This is to ensure the previous stitch doesn't come undone.

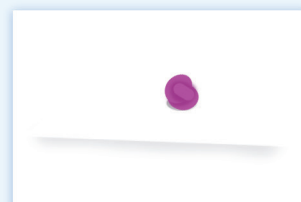
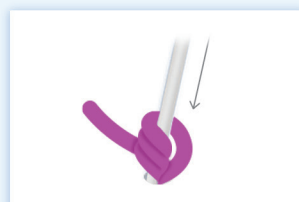
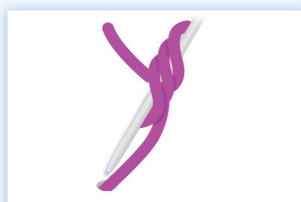
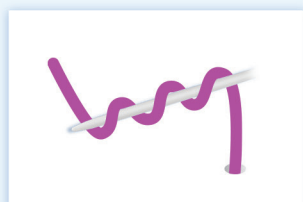
Bring your needle up at 3 and place the loop over the needle point. Pull the needle out completely to tighten.

**Blanket Stitch**

A simple and easy stitch, traditionally used to stitch the edges of blankets.

Bring the needle up through 1. Go down into 2 keeping the thread nice and loose. Bring the needle up at 3 ensuring the thread is behind the needle as shown. Pull the needle out completely to tighten the stitch.

To start the next stitch, go down into 4 keeping the thread loose. Bring the needle up at 5 ensuring the thread is behind the needle and pull out completely to tighten.

French Knot

Use both hands as it will make the process much easier. With your non-needle hand, pinch the thread a few inches from where it exits the hole. Place your needle in front of the thread you are holding and wind around the needle. Depending on how thick your thread is, you may need to wrap it round up to 4 or 5 times. This is to ensure the knot will be big enough not to pass through the canvas hole. Make sure the coil is pulled nice and tight and push your needle back through the same hole.

Before pushing your needle all the way through, use your non-needle hand to pull the thread in a downwards direction so that the coil tightens up and slides down your needle to make a little bundle against the surface of your canvas. This will become your knot. With the coil held in position against the surface, push the needle all the way through. The key is to keep the thread as tight as possible.

If your knot slipped through the hole, go back to the start and wind the thread around more times to create a larger knot.

STITCH IT PROJECT 1 - WINTER TREES



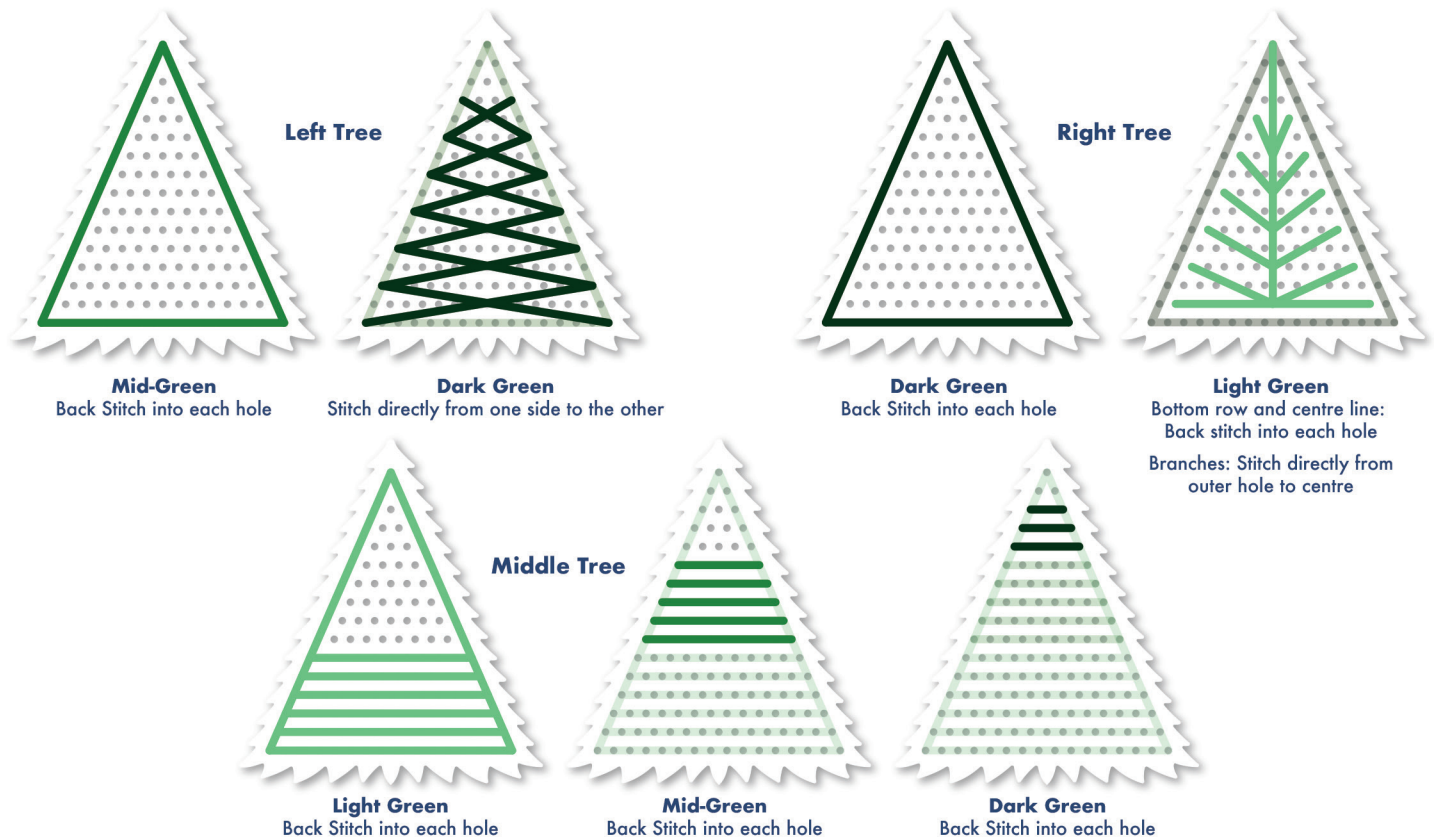
YOU WILL NEED:

- MSTONE407 - Stitch It Festive Tree Die Set
- Embroidery Floss in 3 different shades of green
- Needle or small wool needle
- Ink Me! Cardstock
- Matt-tastic Adorable Scorable Cardstock - Willow Tree, Sea Green, Forest Fern
- 8" x 8" Ink Me! Card Blank
- Gold Mirri Card
- GEM240 - Diamond Sparkle Gemstones - Green Shimmer
- Die-cutting machine
- Low-Tack Tape
- Adhesives - Double-Sided Tape, Glue and Foam Pads

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Cut 3 trees out of Ink Me! Cardstock. Cut 3 stars and the 'Merry & Bright' sentiment plaque out of Gold Mirri Card.
2. Stitch each tree using the stitching guide below and your coloured Embroidery Floss.
3. Trim each of the three coloured sheets of Matt-tastic Adorable Scorable Cardstock to 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Attach to your card blank using Double-Sided Tape.
4. Arrange your trees as shown, and attach to your card front using Foam Pads for extra dimension.
5. Glue your 'Merry & Bright' sentiment plaque onto another piece of Gold Mirri Card and cut around the edge of the plaque using scissors. Attach to your card using foam pads.
6. Finish your card with some Diamond Sparkle Gemstones.

STITCHING GUIDE - SHOWN AT 50%



STITCH IT PROJECT 2 - WARM WISHES



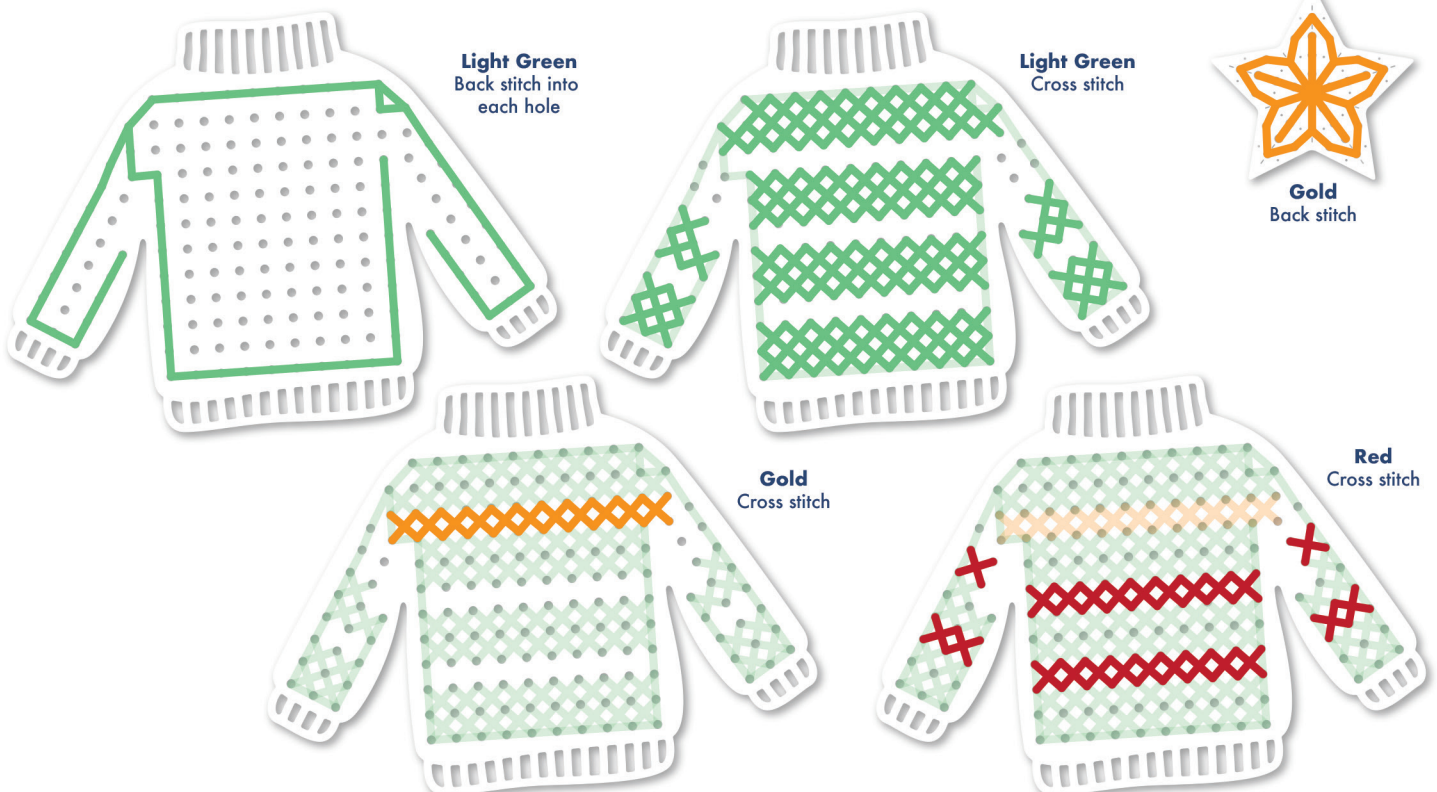
YOU WILL NEED:

- MSTONE408 - Stitch It Jolly Jumper Die Set
- MSTONE411 - Stitch It Sew-a-Star
- Embroidery Floss in Red, Gold, Green
- 2mm wide Ribbon in Green
- Needle or small wool needle
- Adorable Scorable Cardstock - Leafy Green, Red Cherry
- 7" x 7" Ink Me! Card Blank
- Gold Mirri Card Stock
- Die-cutting machine
- Low-Tack Tape
- Adhesives - Double-Sided Tape, Glue and Foam Pads

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Cut a piece of Adorable Scorable Red Cherry Cardstock to 7³/₄" x 7³/₄". Secure the border die using Low-Tack Tape, on one edge of the Cardstock, and pass through your die-cutting machine. Move the border die along, lining up the pattern. Pass through your die-cutting machine. Repeat on the opposite side.
3. Cut the jumper, small star and sentiment out of Adorable Scorable Leafy Green Cardstock, and the hanger and sentiment shadow die out of Gold Mirri Cardstock.
4. Stitch the border using cross stitch and back stitch, and stitch the star and jumper using the stitching guide below. Weave your green ribbon through the slits in the jumper and secure with glue.
5. Attach your background to a piece of Gold Mirri Cardstock and then secure this to your Card Blank.
6. Attach your jumper, star and sentiment to your card using foam pads.

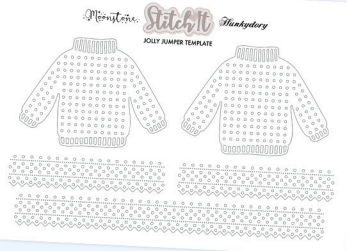
STITCHING GUIDE - SHOWN AT 60%



Try stitching with glitter floss, for extra sparkle!

IDEAS & INSPIRATION

Design your own patterns and borders with ease. Simply download the free templates and sketch your ideas before stitching. A great way to experiment, try new designs and get creative!



Create stunning centrepiece sentiments



Create personalised cards and gifts



Mix and match with your Christmas papercraft collections



Great for birthdays, get well soon and more!

For more projects and inspiration for the Stitch It Collection and other Moonstone Die Collections, take a look at our **Crafting With Hunkydory Magazine**