
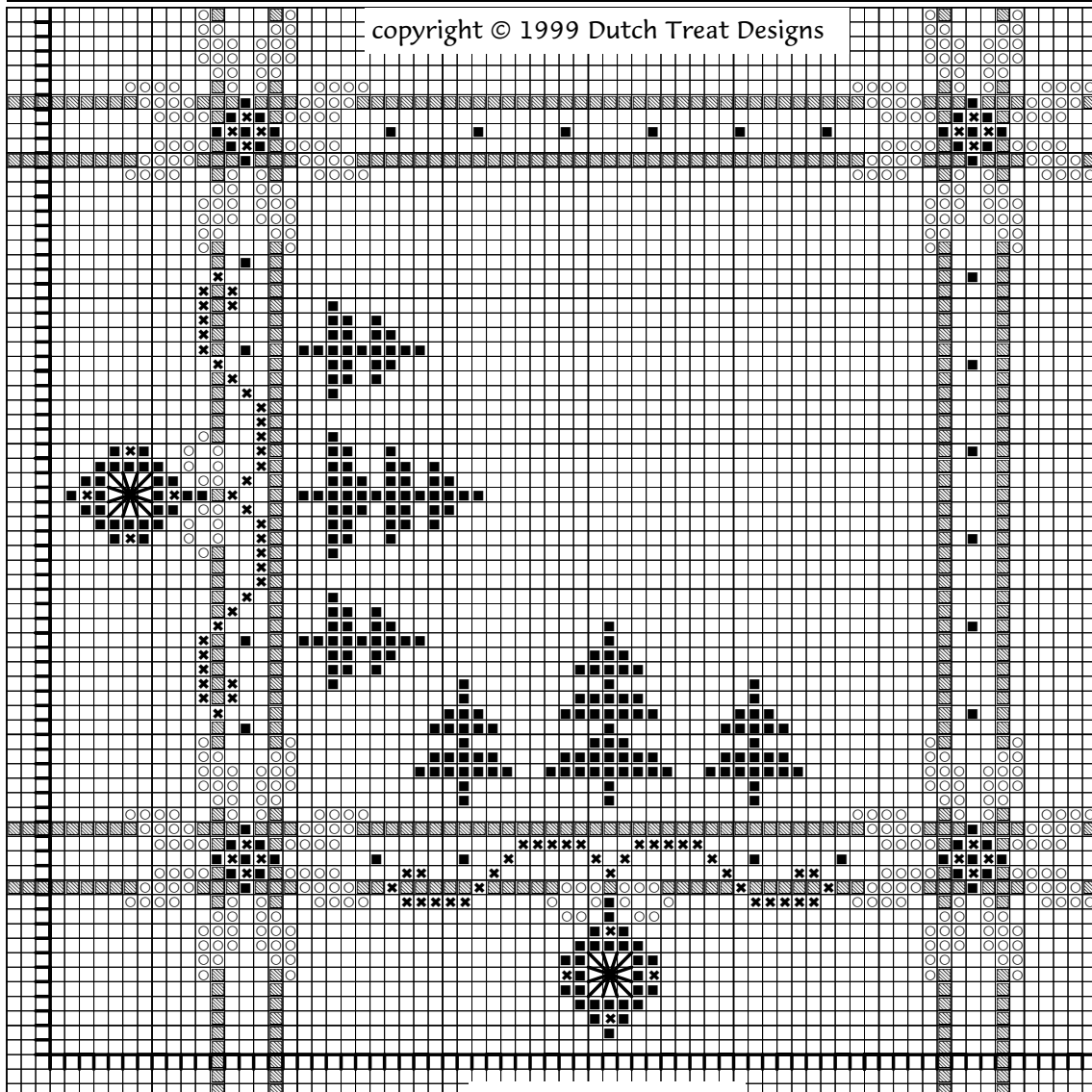


Christmas Trees Doily

Materials Needed

Fabric:	Anne Cloth 18 ct. white or ivory 4 square doily				
Size:	stitch count 125 x 125, approximately 16 x 16 inches				
Needles:	#22 tapestry needle, #24 tapestry needle				
			DMC Size 5	or	Caron
Symbol	Skeins	Color	pearl cotton		Watercolours
○	1	red	498		45 Flame
■	1	green	699		65 Emerald
×	1	gold	729	Use #8 Kreinik braid 238 for gold and eyelet in the ornament only.	
TTT	1 ball	size 12	white, ivory, red or green pearl cotton for Nun stitched edge		
	denotes the woven border of the Anne Cloth				



Left Corner Square

A tabletopper is a stitched doily. When I was growing up we had lots of doilies in my Mommie's house. There were crocheted ones, knitted ones, embroidered ones, and even a few cross stitched ones! So to keep the tradition going, I present you with the tabletopper: an easy to stitch, easy to maintain "doily" for your house from me!

Claudia

Nun Stitched Edge

The Nun stitch is a finishing stitch that, when completed, will keep your piece from unraveling. It is a pulled stitch done using size 12 pearl cotton with a #24 tapestry needle. The Nun stitch looks like a backward "C". It is an "over two" stitch. See the stitch diagram for instruction and the pattern chart for placement. Use one strand of the #12 pearl cotton. **The arrows are for stitch direction only.**

Begin by pulling out the fifth thread beyond the end of the ornament. This will leave two threads between the ornament edge and the inside edge of your Nun stitch. The "ditch", the vacant thread track, will mark the outer boundary for your Nun stitch. Begin stitching on the upper left side with the front of the doily facing you. Bring your thread up in the "ditch" to start. When you reach the woven borders of the Anne Cloth, treat them as if they are two threads. When you arrive at the corner, turn the fabric one quarter turn clockwise. The back of the "C" now becomes the top of the "C" on the new side.

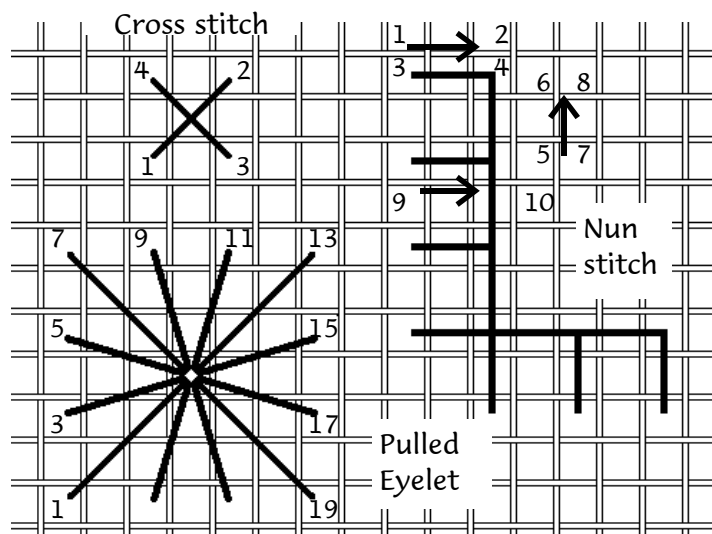
Fringing

Pull out the 15th thread on the outside of the finished Nun stitched edge. Use this as a cutting guide to even up the fabric so that all four edges will be the same width. Fringe by pulling out the long threads parallel to the Nun stitched edge. This doily can be machine washed. Enjoy!

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The Caron Collection LTD
Pearl Cotton from DMC Corporation
Anne Cloth from Zweigart
Kreinik braid from Kreinik Mfg. CO

Stitch Diagrams



The easy way to stitch this doily

Stitch the doily in quarters, just as you see it on the graph. Begin with the left corner square first. Complete the entire square. Turn the piece 1/4 turn and repeat. You will see your stitches crossed in the same direction as you complete each quarter, but your stitches will not technically cross all in the same direction when looking at the entire finished piece. When the design is finished then complete the Nun stitch edge. This doily is stitched over two threads. The chart is graphed so that each box represents two threads.

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