

Pinhole Poinsettia

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Materials Required:

Tracing paper: TR001.

8 Gold seed beads: BEA34.

Single needle pricking tool:
PGT011.

Perforating mat: PGA004.

Clear sticky tape and
masking tape.

Madeira metallic threads: 325
Gold, 315 Red and 357 Green.

Card mount: DF03U-45
Hammer White.

To Make The Card:

Place the tracing paper over the diagram below and mark each dot taking care not to allow the paper to move while you are working, use a little masking tape to hold it still if necessary.

Place the opened card face up on the perforating mat. Position the traced design centrally onto

the centre panel of the card and fix in place with masking tape. Prick each hole going right through the tracing paper and the card using the single needle tool. When you are sure all the dots are pricked, carefully remove the tracing paper.

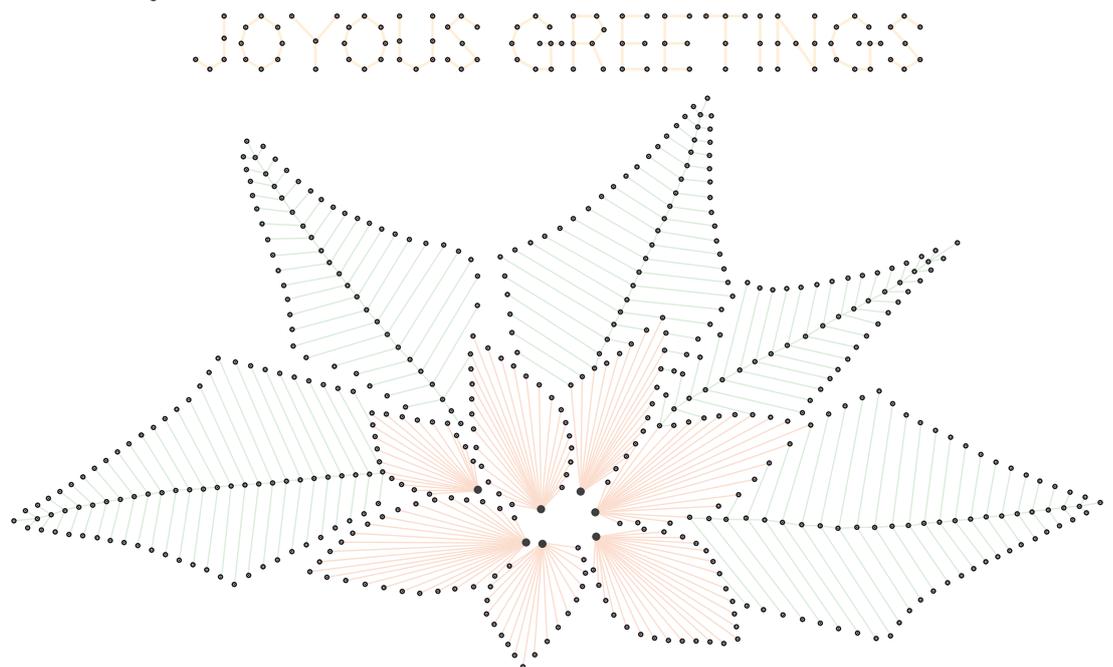
Fasten all thread ends on the back using clear sticky tape.



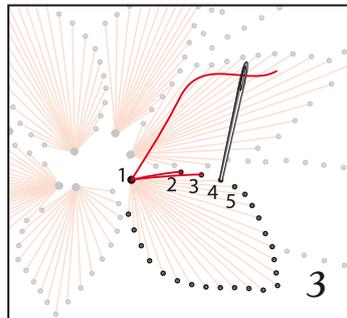
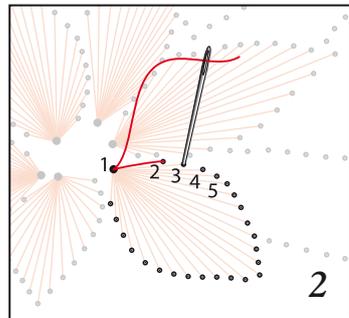
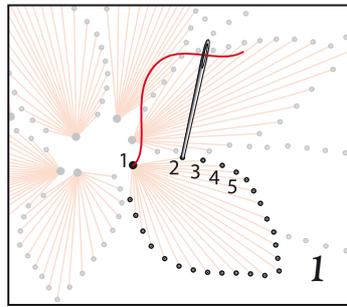
Tips:
As some of the leaves and bracts share stitching holes it can be quite difficult to tell which holes to use. Use the faint coloured lines on this diagram to guide you as you stitch the design.

It will help to keep the thread neat if you enlarge the hole at the base of each red bract (shown larger on the diagram) before stitching. Draw these dots a little larger so you can tell which ones they are and use a large embroidery needle to enlarge them before removing the tracing paper.

Actual Size



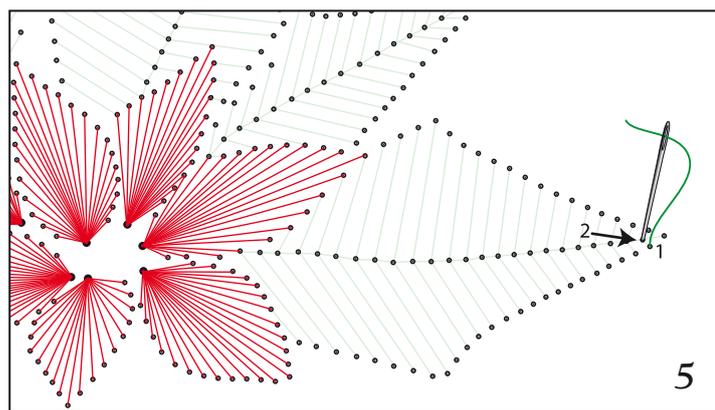
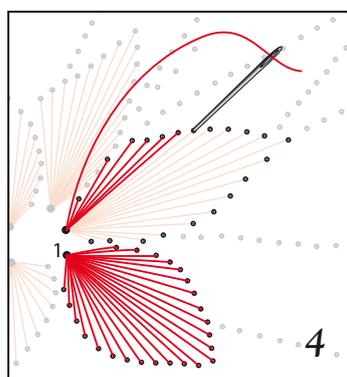
1. The red part of the poinsettia is worked first. Bring the needle up through the hole marked 1 on the diagram. Pull the thread through and fasten the end on the back with a little sticky tape. Take the needle down through hole 2.



2. Bring the needle back up through hole 1 again and go down through hole 3.

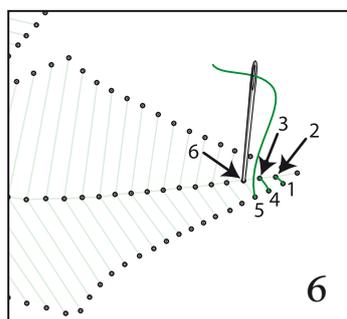
3. Bring the needle back up through hole 1 again and down through 4.

4. Come back up through 1 and continue working round the bract until all holes are used. Work the remaining bracts in the same way.

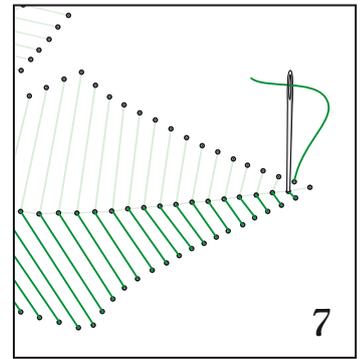


5. Work the leaves starting from each tip. Begin at the vein marked 1 on the diagram. Bring the needle up at hole 1 and take it down through hole two.

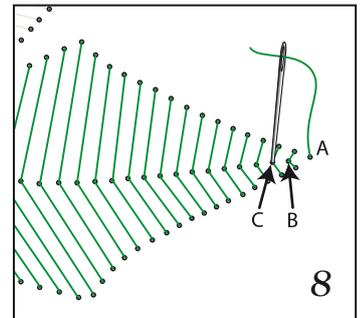
6. Bring the needle up at hole 3 and down at hole 4, up at hole 5 and down at hole 6.



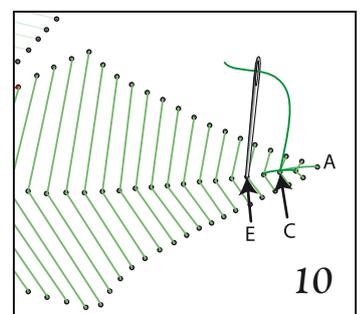
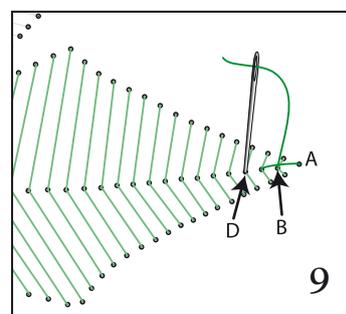
7. Continue working down the leaf in this way to the end. Then beginning at the tip of the leaf again work in the same way down the other side.



8. Bring the needle back out at the top centre point on the leaf marked A on the diagram and work the centre vein as follows. Miss hole B and take the needle down through C.



9. Bring the needle back up at B and down at D.



10. Take the needle up at C and down at E. then continue to work along the vein until it is complete. Work the remaining leaves in the same way following steps 5 to 10.

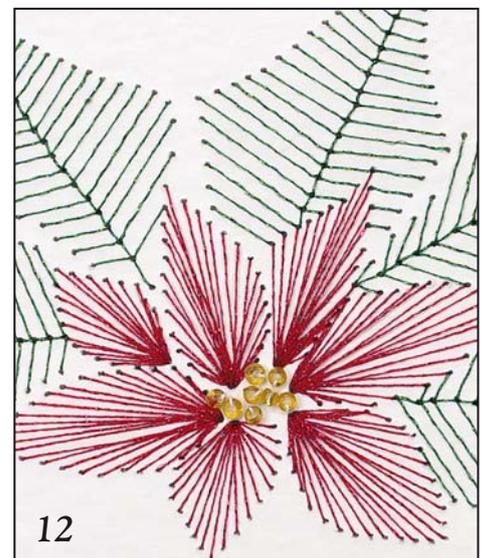
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11. Stitch the greeting in backstitch using two strands of gold thread.

12. Stitch a little cluster of eight beads into the gap in the centre of the bracts also using gold thread.

Run a line of glue around the back flap of the card blank and fold over the back of the work to finish.



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