

HARDANGER CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENT

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Materials needed:

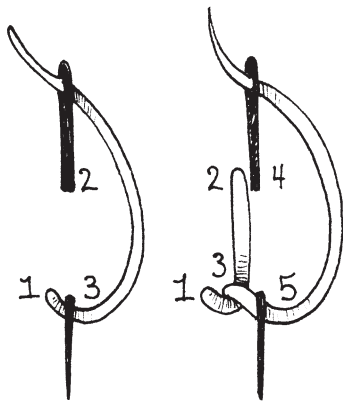
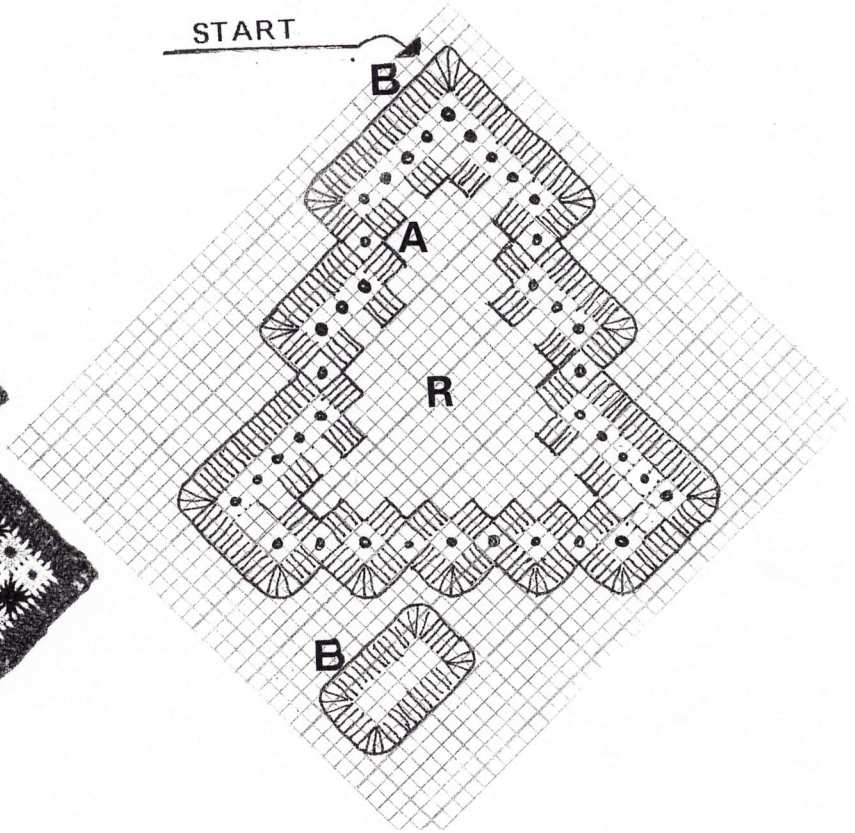
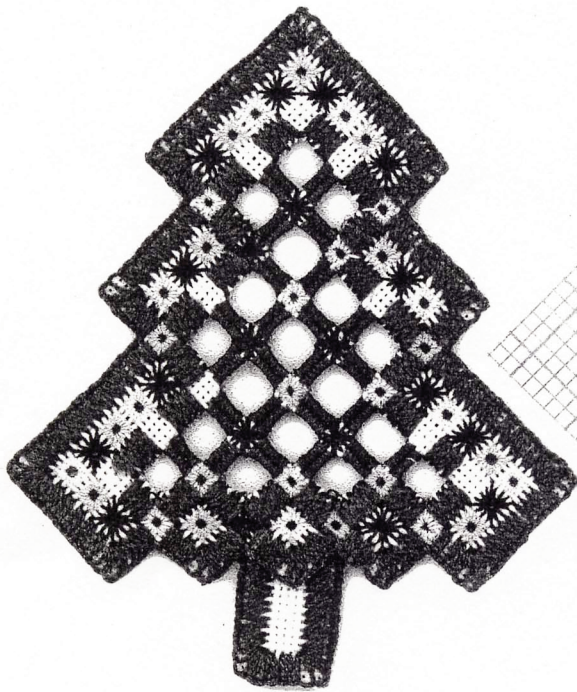
- one 5m skein Kreinik Silk Mori 4063 Medium Holly
- one spool Kreinik Silk Bella in 1117 Dark Christmas Red, 2014 Medium Gold, 4073 Light Dusty Green
- 6-inch square of white 24-count Congress Cloth
- #24, #26 Tapestry needles
- two 2mm white beads *
- one large Mother of Pearl star *
- 4-inches of fine gold wire *
- tacky glue, Fray Check™, small sharp-pointed scissors *



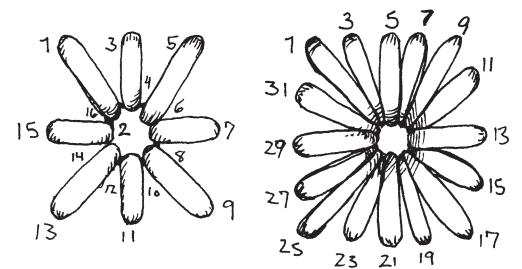
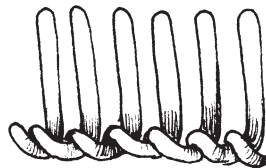
Directions:

1. TREE. Cut a 24-inch length of Silk Mori 4063 and pull out two strands, one at a time. Combine the two strands into a #24 Tapestry needle and work buttonhole stitches all around outside tree shape edge (area B on graph).
2. Combine three strands of Silk Mori 4063 and work all satin stitch Kloster blocks inside tree shape (area A).
3. COLORED ORNAMENTS ON THE TREE. Use one strand of Silk Bella in a #26 Tapestry needle to stitch eyelets as shown on the graph (represented by dots). Scatter the colors to make a pleasing mix of colors.
4. Cut on bold drawn lines near satin stitch Kloster blocks and remove threads. (Area R) Use one strand of green Mori to weave exposed threads. Work eyelets in various colors of Silk Bella at intersections between woven bars.
5. TREE TRUNK. Use two strands of Silk Mori 4063 to buttonhole stitch piece as shown on the graph. (Area B)
6. CUTTING OUT TREE AND TRUNK. Use a sharp scissor to cut out shapes, staying away two threads of fabric all around outside edge. Use a tapestry needle to pull out threads that can be removed. Fray Check all around back edge of stitched pieces and let dry. Use small sharp scissor to cut off remaining fabric threads from edges.
7. STAR WITH BEADS. Push the star and two white beads onto fine gold wire, pull wire over back of star and insert this wire back through the two white beads. Twist wire together and form a small circle. Sew this circle to the back of the tree top. Apply a dot of tacky glue over circle to stabilize.
8. HANGING LOOP. Sew a loop on the top back of ornament.





Buttonhole



Algerian Eyelet

Diagonal Kloster Blocks

