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Easter Egg Ornament

by Janelle Giese

Materials needed:

- 28-count linen in Antique White (8" x 8" piece)
 Kreinik Metallic Threads and DMC Embroidery Floss as listed in color key
- Mill Hill Glass Seed Beads in Pink #00145 or similar • Kreinik Custom Corder
- Foam core sheets and quilt batting, or padded egg ornament shape, plus backing fabric.
- Kreinik Treasure Tape[™], 4″ x 6″ pieces

Instructions:

Each square on the chart equals two fabric threads. Design was worked having fabric stretched onto a 6" hoop. Work all stitches as per chart and color key. When couching flourishes of Star Blue work twin scrolls first, then couch center scroll over top.

To make the laid threads for couching the horizontal bands, twist six 12" lengths of Very Fine #4 Braid 091 Star Yellow, using the Kreinik Custom Corder tool. Repeat twice to make two lengths. The outer trim is also made using this tool, by twisting together five 36" lengths of Kreinik 1/8" Ribbon 195 Starburst^{*}.

* Alternate, use 1/8" Ribbon 095 Sunburst

Finishing instructions:

When stitching and trim are complete, cut two egg-shaped pieces of foam core (use an egg cookie cutter for a guide).

Using the double-sided Treasure Tape, adhere a layer of batting to each shape and trim so there's no overhang. On one shape, cover one side with your backing fabric, turning 1/4" of fabric to the other side and securing with Treasure Tape.

One the other chape, cover with your stitched piece, making sure to center it on the egg shape. Turn 1/4 to 1/2-inch of the white linen to the back, securing with the Treasure Tape, and trim to reduce any bulk.

Using Treasure Tape, attach the two layers together. Sew the cording around the outer edge using a single strand of white embroidery floss in tacking stitches. Loop leftover ribbon or floss and sew to top as a hanger.

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Cross Stitch:

- X White (4x)
- ° 989 (1x)
- 6 3716 [2x]

Very Fine (#4) Braid * #091 Star Yellow (1x)

Lazy Daisy Stitch (1x):

989 - Leaves

Very Fine (#4) Braid #091 Star Yellow - Flowers

Straight Stitch (1x):

989 - Stems

Backstitch (1x): 989 - Vines, band line

French Knot (1x wrap once):

Fine (#8) Braid • #094 Star Blue

Couching:

Laid Thread - Flourishes Fine (#8) Braid (1x) #094 Star Blue

Couching Thread

Cord (1x) #001C Silver

Laid Thread - Horizontal Bands Very Fine (#4) Braid (6x twisted)

/////#091 Star Yellow

Couching Thread

X White (Cross Stitch 4x)

Beadwork:

Mill Hill Glass Seed Beads

X #00145 Pink (Attach with 2x #3716 Floss)



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