Oh For Heaven's Flake

Sampler Color Chart

- Words, crow, eyes and mouth - #310 black
- Snowman and snowflakes - Ecru
- Scarf and hat - #5214 Green
- Flag stripes, tassel - #815 Red
- Nose - #900 Orange
- Arms, birdhouse pole and roof - #938 Brown
- Square on flag, birdhouse walls - #823
- Star and bird beak - #781 Gold
- Snowman's buttons (X's) - #310 Black

Supplies Needed

- DMC floss in the following colors: 
  #5214,#815,#310,#900, #938, #823, #781
- 8' by 9" piece of tea dyed muslin or osnaburg. 8" by 9" piece of 1/8"
- Cotton or poly batting (optional)
- Pillow: fabric for border/backing & fiberfill
- Frame: 71/2" by 81/2" opening

Stitching Directions

Please read all directions before beginning.

#1 Transfer the design onto a piece of muslin or osnaburg. You can use a light box or tape the design to a window and then trace onto your fabric. I like to use a water washable pen or a light pencil.

#2 Stitch the design using three strands of floss in the colors given. The sampler is stitched with a backstitch. Center of flowers are french knots. Trim your design about 1" past the stitching on all sides. I like to put a thin piece of batting behind my design and stitch through it. This way the floss doesn't show through if you don't tie your thread off after every word.

#3 Tea stain your stitching using a strong mixture of instant black tea. Add about 3 tablespoons of tea to a cup of hot water. Soak your fabric in the mixture and then hang to dry. You may want to practice on scrap fabric to get the color you want.

#4 To finish your design as a pillow, simply rip 4 pieces of fabric 21/2" wide and long enough for each side of the pillow. Sew the fabric, right sides together, to the pillow front starting with the right side and working your way around. After the border is sewn on, press your pillow front and then lay the front right sides together with the pillow back. Sew around the pillow leaving an opening in the bottom for turning and stuffing. Turn, stuff and whip stitch the opening shut. Enjoy!!

#5 You can also frame your design. We sell frames for all our designs. A painted frame with glass & backing for this picture would cost $10.00 plus shipping. Please e-mail us with any questions.

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