

# Stitching Cards

## Holly Wreath

These pattern details should be used in conjunction with the Stitching Cards General Instructions. “Out at ...” means passing the needle through a hole from the back of the card to the front. “In at ...” means passing the needle through a hole from the front of the card to the back.

The holly wreath is worked in Gold thread (Kreinik 1 ply polyester metallic cord 002C) and Green (008C) with 15 red beads on a white card.

### Bow.

Gold thread

#### Section 1

Out at A in at B

Out at C in at D

Out at E in at F

Continue this sequence until section 1 is complete.

#### Section 2

Out at G in at H

Out at I in at J

Out at K in at L

Continue this sequence until section 2 is complete.

#### Section 3

Work section 3 in a similar way to section 1 using the finished diagram as a guide.

#### Section 4

Out at M in at N

Out at O in at M

Out at P in at Q

Out at R in at P

Continue like this until section 4 is complete using the finished diagram as a guide.

#### Section 5

Work section 5 in a similar way to section 4 using the finished diagram as a guide.

### Holly leaves

Green thread.

See leaf 1.

Out at 1 in at 2

Out at 3 in at 2

Out at 4 in at 2

Out at 5 in at 2

Out at 6 in at 2

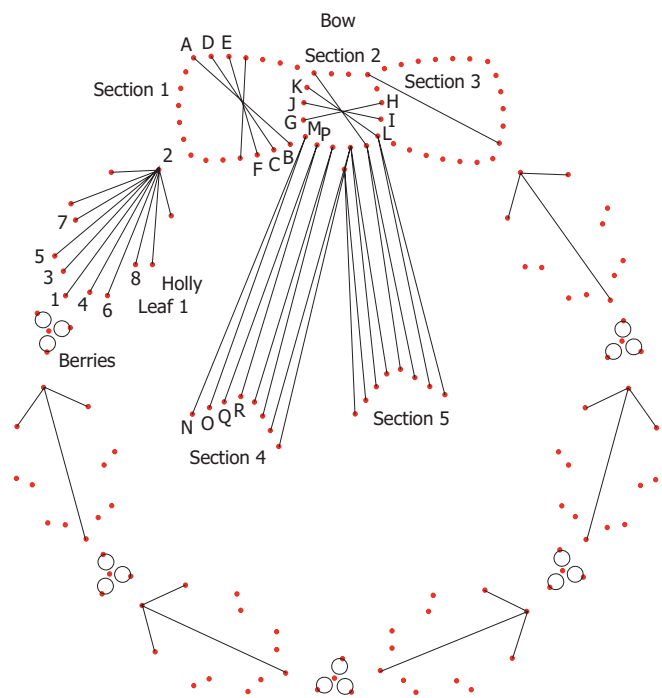
Out at 7 in at 2

Out at 8 in at 2

Continue like this sequence until the leaf is complete.

Working from side to side helps the thread going into hole 2 lay flatter.

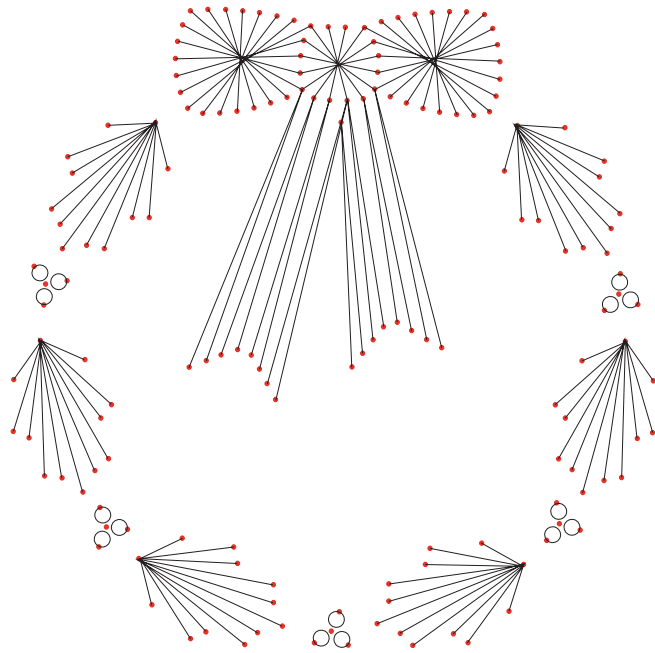
Work the other leaves in a similar way.



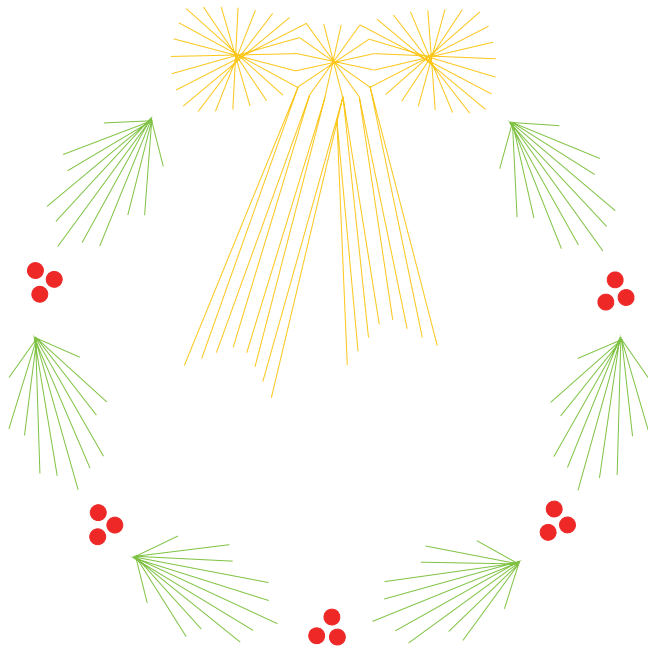
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### Berries

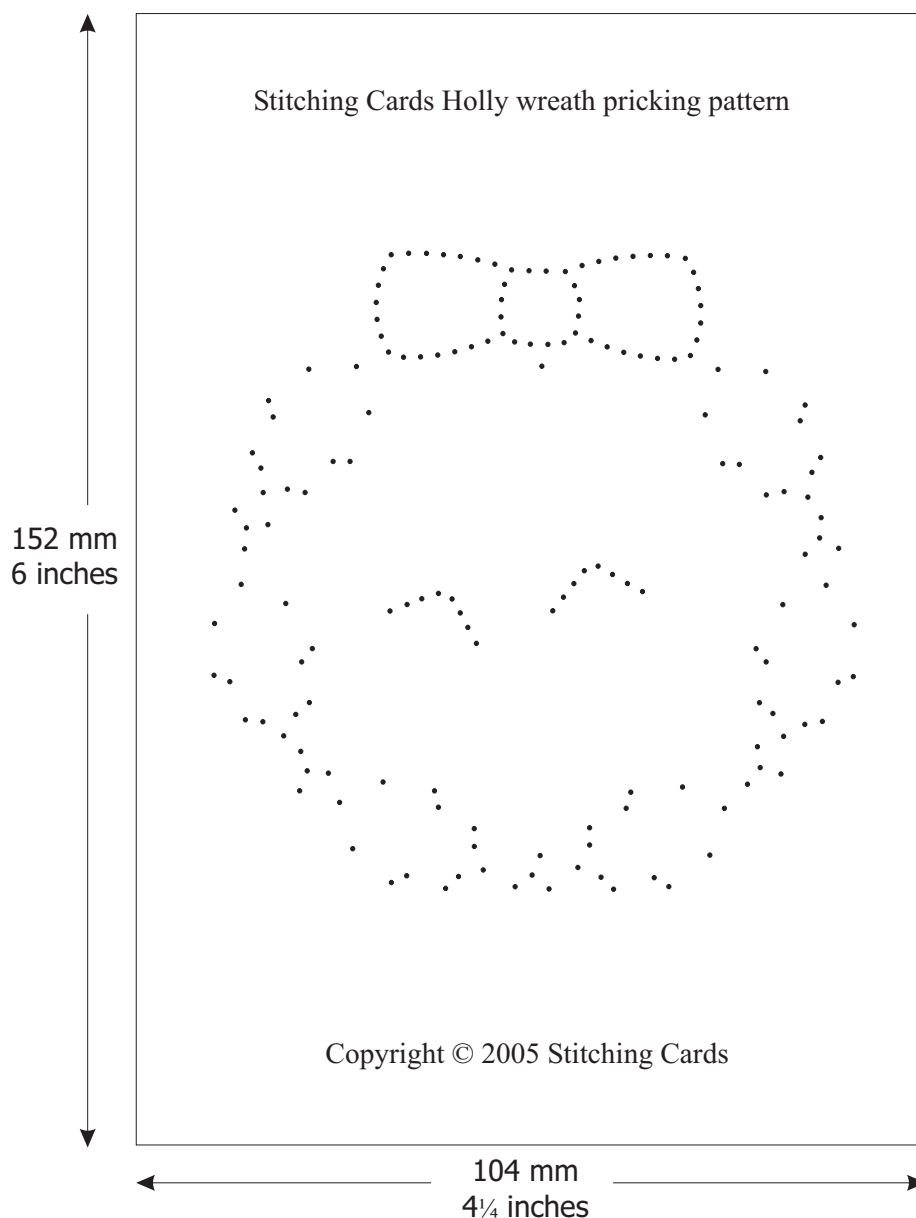
Stitch three small red beads for the berries using the illustration as a guide.



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Finished design



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# Stitching Cards General Instructions

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You will need a suitable pricking mat. This could be foam or felt but should allow easy penetration of the pricking pin whilst protecting your work surface. Lay your blank card onto the pricking mat with the right side (outside) of the card facing upwards.

Place the pricking pattern on the card in the required position. Use a fine pricking tool to pierce through the pattern and the card. If you do not have a purpose made pricking tool then a hat pin or similar can be used.

Remove the pricking pattern. The pricked holes can be seen on the card.

Turn the card over so the wrong side (inside) is uppermost.. Select a suitable thread such as Kreinik metallic cord. Use a Number 10 embroidery needle. Use a length of thread that you are comfortable with. We suggest using about a third of a metre (14 inches). Secure the end of the thread to the card with adhesive tape. Pass the needle through the start hole from the back to the front of the card.

Follow the instruction diagram. Refer to the finished diagram from time to time to see the complete stitching required.

When the thread on your needle runs out secure the end of the thread with adhesive tape on the back of the card and start a new thread.

Continue to follow the instructions a section at a time. Some patterns uses beads. These are held in place with stitching. You may need to use a beading needle if the bead holes are very fine.

If you are using a double fold card (a card with three panels) then place the completed card on your work surface with the right side facing downwards. Fold the left-hand panel across to cover and hide the back of the stitching work. Secure the panel in place with double-sided adhesive tape or card adhesive.

The stitching of your card is now complete. You may choose to add a suitable greeting with stickers, stamping or handwriting.

## Stitching Terminology.

Where the instructions say “Out at” this means passing the needle through a hole from the back of the card to the front.

Where the instructions say “In at” this means passing the needle through a hole from the front of the card to the back.

Where the design calls for back stitch this works as follows:

Out at 2 in at 1

Out at 3 in at 2

Out at 4 in at 3

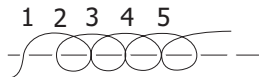


Where the design calls for stem stitch this works as follows:

Out at 1 in at 3

Out at 2 in at 4

Out at 3 in at 5



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