CHRISTMAS POCKETS
Easy to make felt decorations with simple embroidery.

Thank you for downloading our CHRISTMAS POCKETS PDF! I hope you have fun making them up.

This PDF contains:

1. Patterns for three pockets
2. Stitch Guide to show you the stitches I have used, but do experiment with your own.
3. Stitch Library for all the stitches used
4. Step by step instructions showing you how to make all the pockets.
5. I have also given suggestion drawings for using the pockets to make an advent garland!

MATERIALS:

You will need ...
Felt
Craft Foam
Ribbon for hanging.
Stranded Embroidery thread, DMC or Anchor
(Use 3 strands throughout for embroidery and one strand to sew parts together
Pointed crewel Needles
Paper for printing out from the download and for making templates.
Scissors

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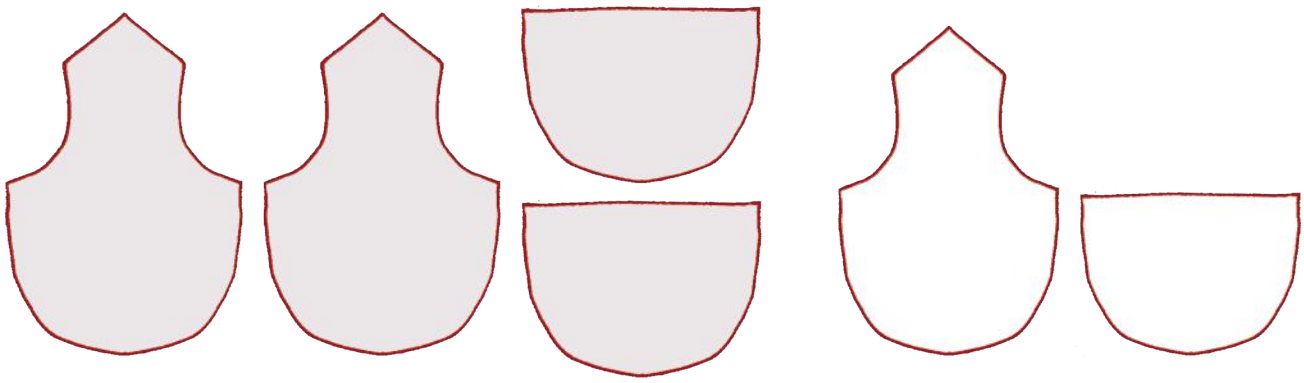
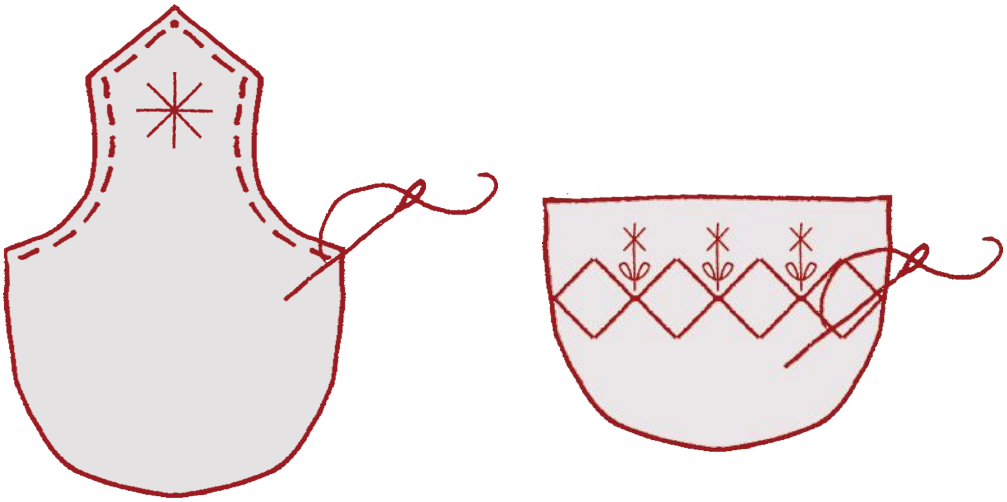
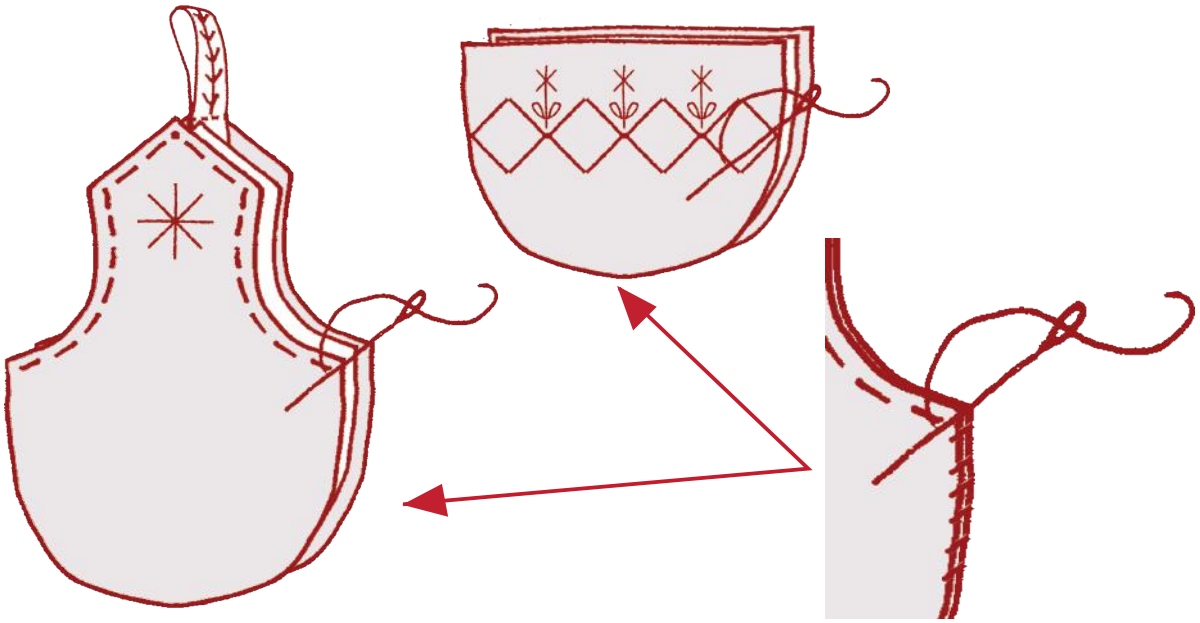


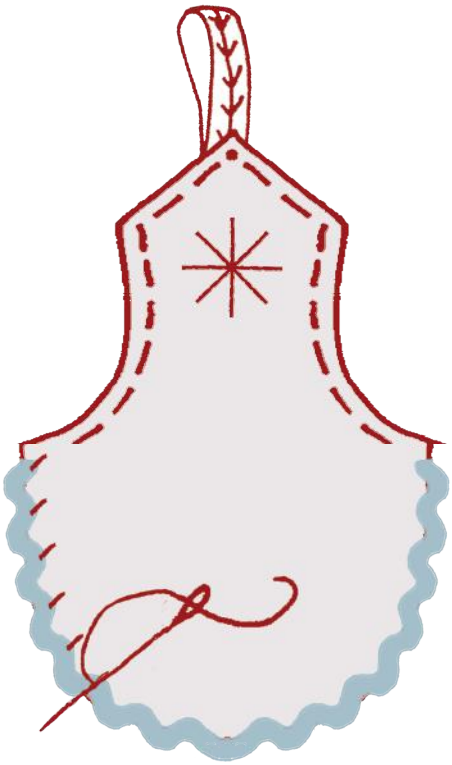
1. Cut out all pieces in felt and foam



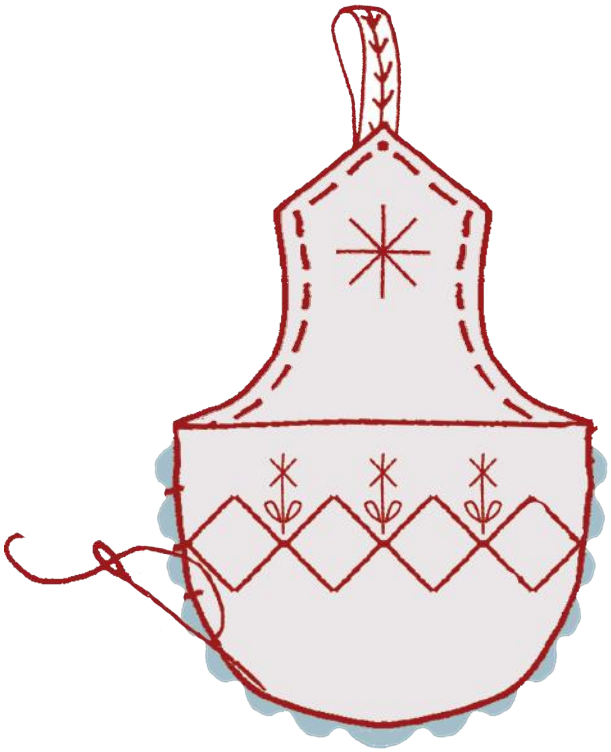
2. Embroider one piece of each shape using the designs as on Page 5



3. Sandwich the corresponding foam shapes between the felt pieces, tack a loop of ribbon to back, using small stitches in a matching colour of thread, stitch all around the shapes as.



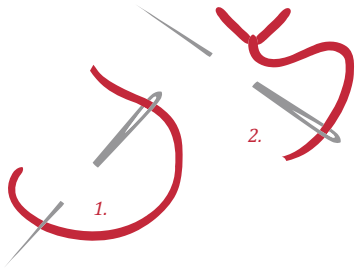
4. Apply brickabrac ribbon if using all around bottom of back (unembroidered) piece.



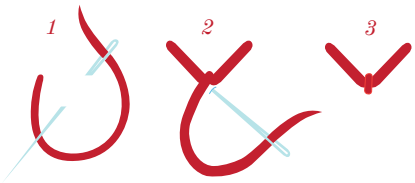
5. Stitch together the front and back pieces incorporating the hanging loop and bricabrac ribbon in the seam.

USE 2 - 3 Strands of 6 stranded embroidery thread.
The colours on the Stitch Map relate to the stitch diagrams below.

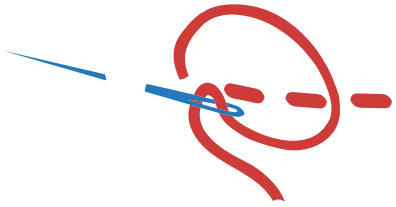
Fly Stitch



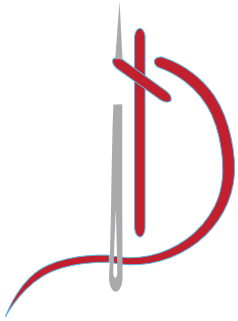
Detached Fly Stitch



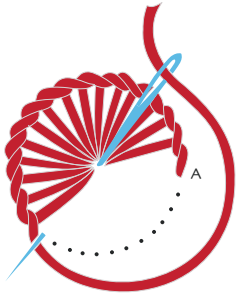
Running Stitch



Long Cross Stitch

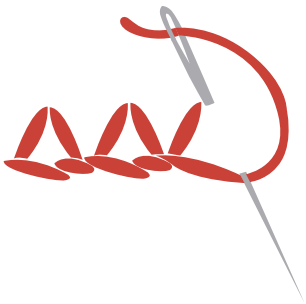


Buttonhole Wheels

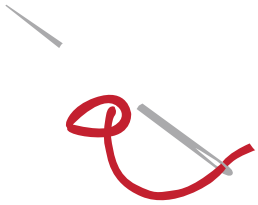


Star Stitch

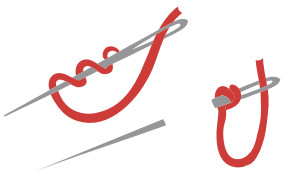
Closed Buttonhole Stitch



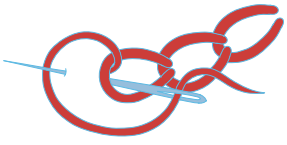
Detached Chain Stitch



French Knot

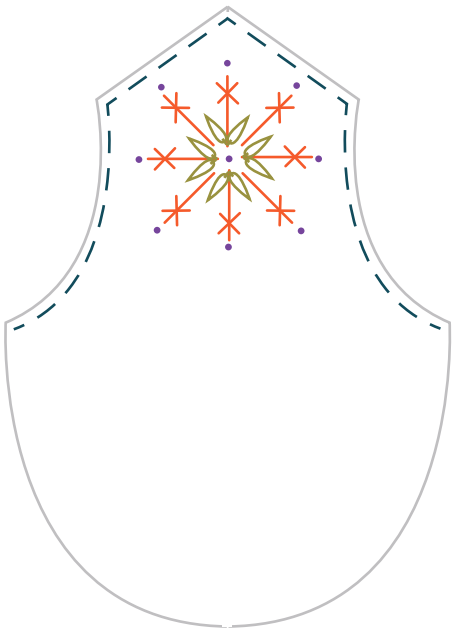


Chain Stitch



Embroidery maps for all Pockets

Use the colour code to apply correct stitches in any colour you like



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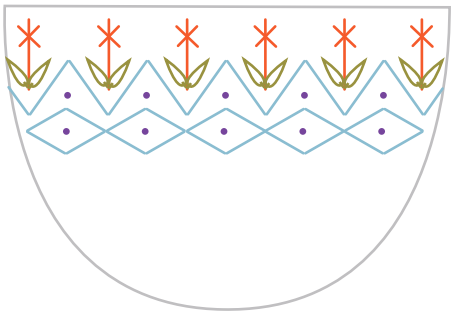
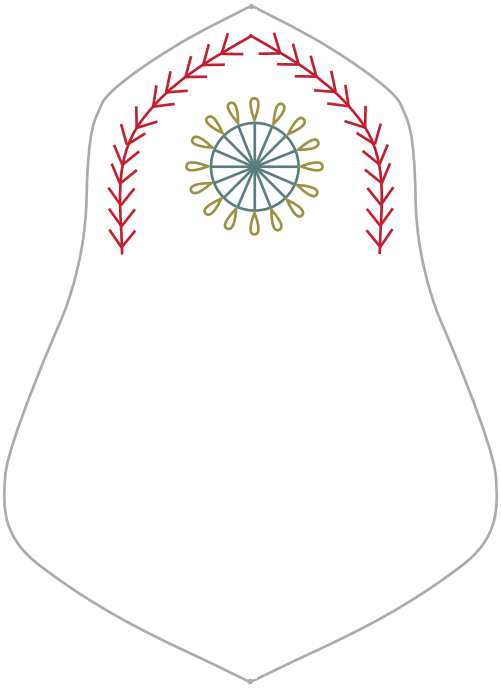


Stitches used:

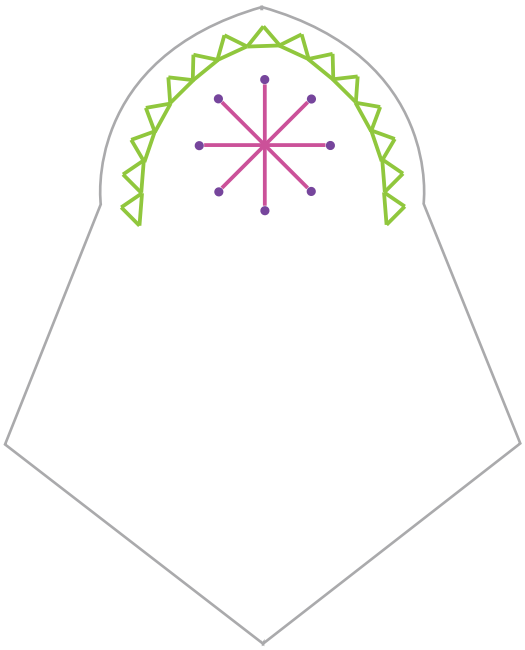
- *Long cross stitch*
- *Detached Chain stitch*
- *French knot*
- *Running stitch*
- *Detached Fly Stitch*



POCKET 2
embroidery suggestions

Stitches used:

- *Detached Fly Stitch*
- *Fly Stitch*
- *French knot*
- *Chain Stitch*
- *Buttonhole wheel Stitch*
- *Chain Stitch*
- *Detached Chain Stitch*



POCKET 3
embroidery suggestions

Stitches used:

- *Detached Fly Stitch*
- *Fly Stitch*
- *French Knot*
- *Closed Buttonhole Stitch*
- *Running Stitch and Straight Stitch*

Pattern for CHRISTMAS POCKET 1

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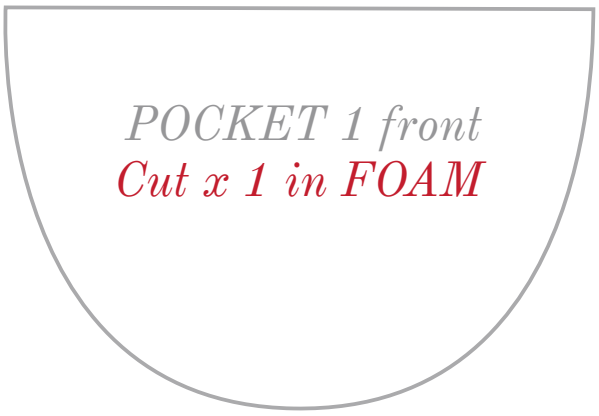
Print out onto paper, cut out and use templates
to cut out in your chosen colour of felt and white craft foam.

POCKET 1 back
Cut x 1 in FOAM



POCKET 1 front
Cut x 1 in FOAM

POCKET 1 back
Cut x 2 in FELT

POCKET 1 front
Cut x 2 in FELT

The felt pieces need to be about 3mm larger than the foam

Pattern for CHRISTMAS POCKET 2

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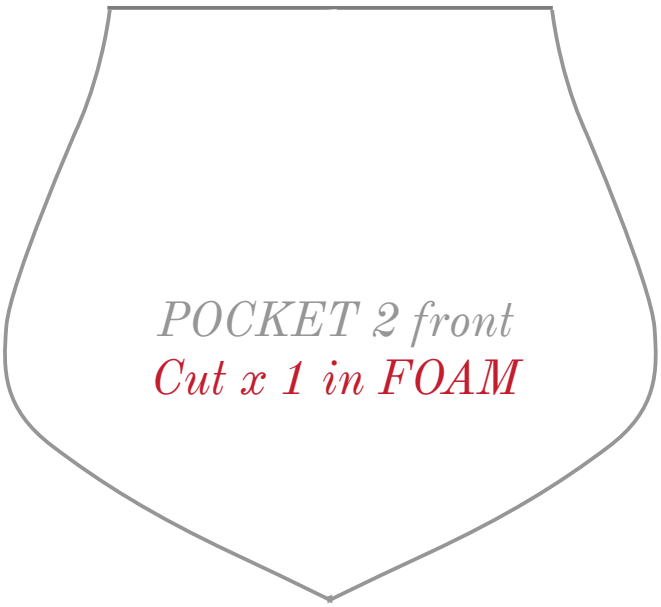

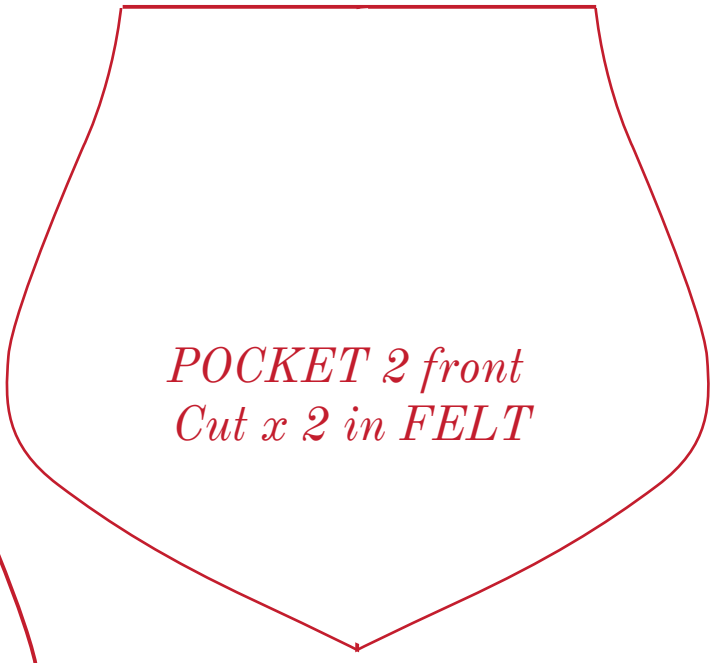

The felt pieces need to be about 3mm larger than the foam

Pattern for CHRISTMAS POCKET 3

Print out onto paper, cut out and use templates to cut out in your chosen colour of felt and white craft foam.

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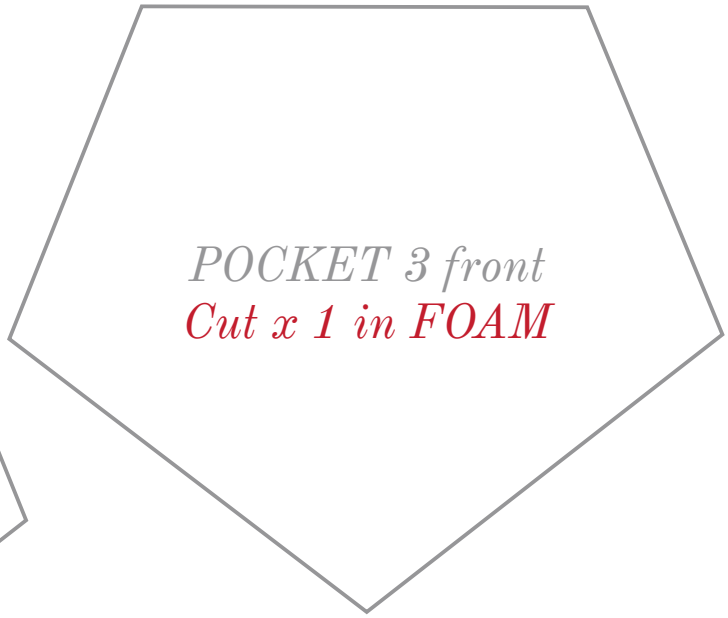
POCKET 3 back
Cut x 1 in FOAM



POCKET 3 front
Cut x 1 in FOAM

POCKET 3 front
Cut x 2 in FELT

POCKET 3 back
Cut x 2 in FELT

The felt pieces need to be about 3mm larger than the foam

ADVENT CALENDAR IDEA

Once you have mastered the technique for makng the pockets why not try making the advent calendar suggested here.
You could use one shape of pocket, or a mixture of the three, and embroider using the numbers below. Any line stitch would do for the numbers, I have used Chain Stitch as a suggestion, but stem stitch, Couching Stitch or even a tiny Fly Stitch would look lovely.Attach ribbon loop at top as for single pockets.
Print off these numbers and transfer to felt using air erasable pen.

0 1 2 3

4 5 6 7

8 9