

### Prick 'n Stitch Designs

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## Dear Fellow Stitchers,

Our greeting is reminding us of our President's "Good evening my fellow South Africans" when he addresses the nation with the latest news on the pandemic. The news we are bringing however: it's time for some new additions to the design library! We tried something different this time - using lazy daisy stitches and french knots in the doodle flowers. They are quite fun, so please do give it a go, don't be scared! See instructions on these two stitches a bit further down.

In the early years of Prick 'n Stitch, the newsletters included useful tips. We have been thinking of including some of the original tips in the newsletters again since many of you may not have received those first newsletters, but this time around we just have some general things to keep in mind. Hope you find these helpful.

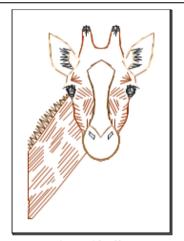
#### What to expect in the new designs:

- "Giraffe" Only checking in to see how you are doing! It is also one that can be used for a masculine card. It is very elegant when stitched in gold metallic thread on a dark card.

  Pricking 20 minutes, Stitching approx. 2 hour
- "Doodle Flowers" Fun and playful, something different with the Lazy daisy and French knot stitches. You can also stitch the flowers separately and use them as gift tags.

  Pricking 5 minutes, Stitching approx. 1,5 hour
- "Get Well Soon" A quick one to add a special touch to your well wishes. Also, a nice design for using your variegated threads.

Pricking - 10 minutes, Stitching - approx. 1 hour



A006 Giraffe Code C



F050 Doodle Flowers Code B



FT060 Get Well Soon Code A

| Mar Design Specials    |                |               | Downloads or<br>Mail Order<br>(+ P & P) | WEBSITE<br>Downloads |
|------------------------|----------------|---------------|---|----------------------|
|                        |                | Normal Prices | SA Rand                                 | US\$                 |
| A006                   | Giraffe        | (Code C)      | 30.80                                   | 2.20                 |
| F050                   | Doodle Flowers | (Code B)      | 28.00                                   | 2.00                 |
| FT060                  | Get Well Soon  | (Code A)      | 25.20                                   | 1.80                 |
|                        |                |               | 84.00                                   | 6.00                 |
| All 3 designs less 10% |                |               | <b>ZAR 75.60</b>                        | US\$ 5.40            |

## **2021 Mom**







C014 Floral Arch, F030 Water Can and FT058 Bookmarks #4
R55.00 / US \$ 4.00

### 2021 Dad







C015 Sports Mad, FT046 Tools for Dad and FT045 Remotely Yours

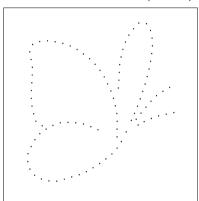
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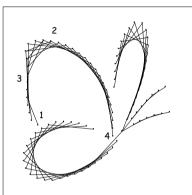
# \*\*\* Freebie Motif \*\*\* Abstract butterfly

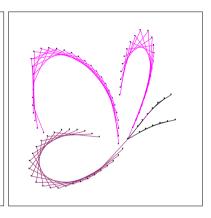
Bottom Wing - Deep Mauve Crossover Stitch (miss 5)

Top Wings – Fuchsia Crossover Stitch (miss 3) from 1 to 2 and Crossover Stitch (miss 5) from 3 to 4, as well as for the other wing.

Feelers - Charcoal Stem Stitch (miss 1)







# Tips

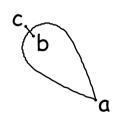
Take your time to do the pricking. The more accurate you can do the pricking, the better the result will be.

Remember to breathe while pricking We tend to forget to breathe when we are really concentrating and that can cause your hand to be shakier.

Experiment with different pins and needles. You need the holes to be big enough so that the needle will not get stuck, because this will cause a 'mountain' every time you bring the thread to the front of the card.

### **Lazy Daisy Stitch**

Form a loop: out at 'a' and back in at 'a'. Out at 'b', go THROUGH the loop and pull on the thread gently to work the loop into shape, then go back into hole 'c' over the loop to secure it in place.



#### **French Knot Stitch**

Using 2 strands, come through to the front of the card. Position the point of the needle close to the hole. Wind the thread three times (depending on how big you want the knot to be) around the needle.

Place the point of the needle back into the same hole. Holding the needle in place with your right hand, pull the loops tight around the needle with your left hand. Hold the thread in place against the card while you pull the needle through the hole.

We managed to find suppliers of the pricking mats and pin vices (PMV's). The new mats are a beautiful pink colour. We unfortunately had to change the price for the PMV's and therefor also for the starter packs. You can now buy the Pin Vice and Mat separately if you wish. See the prices on the order form, which can be found on the website.



As always, please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Happy Stitching, Maretha & Ansa