

May Meeting

Stitch Challenge

This activity is designed to get us out of our stitch comfort zones and try something different. Follow the instructions for random selection and you will be surprised by the results!

Instructions

1. Take eight small pieces of paper and number them 1 -8. Place in a cup.
2. Take out a piece of paper, write down the number and replace the paper in the cup. Make two more selections.

1	Buttonhole	Regular	Diagonal	Interlace
2	Ladder chain	Irregular	Square	Tie or knot
3	Cretan	Regular	Vertical	Whip
4	Fly stitch	Irregular	Triangular	Add beads
5	Bokhara couching	Regular	Circular	Oversew
6	Twisted chain	Irregular	Haphazard	Wrap
7	Herringbone	Regular	Horizontal	Needleweave
8	Detached chain	Irregular	Meandering	Distress

3. Look at the chart above. If I have chosen numbers 1, 6 and 1 that means I will do buttonhole stitch making the size irregular and arranged on the diagonal. N.B. Column two refers to the size of stitch but you could also use 'irregular' thicknesses of thread. Column three refers to the placing of the stitches.
4. For a further challenge you could choose a number (randomly chosen of course!) from the fourth column. Column four suggests methods of embellishing your stitches.
5. This is the opportunity to use the surfaces you made last month and to experiment with different threads.