



Tutorial to assemble a Star

You will need:

- 2 stitched stars (or 1 stitched star and another star with only the outline backstitch)



the front and the back of the star do not have exactly the same shape (some of the sides of the star are not quite straight, and the back is designed to compensate for the front) – make sure that you follow the chart instructions.

- some filling
- some matching beads (optional)
- some ribbon (optional)



1. Iron your stitched design and trim off any excess fabric: leave a thin hem at the tip of the branches of the star, and cut slits where the branches join up, cutting as close to the backstitch as possible (bearing in mind that if you cut too close, the fabric will fray).



*2. Assemble the front and back sides of your star by **whip-stitching*** the backstitched borders together the way you would a biscornu (each opposite backstitch together). You can add little beads to your seam to enhance it.*



3. Keep stitching all around the star, until you have just 2 sides left to stitch.



4. Fill in your star, and with the help of a knitting needle (or any other long and thin item) ensure that the filling goes deep into all the branches of the star.

5. Stitch up the remaining 2 sides and stop your seam (unless you wish to attach your star by its top, in which case you can use the left-over floss to string beads, or insert a little ribbon at the top).

6. You can leave your star as such, or you can add a little button or a bead in its centre, as shown on photo.

7. If you didn't opt for the string/ribbon at the top of the star, you can stitch a large ribbon to the back of it. This will allow you to attach it to the top of your Christmas tree, for instance.

Technical tips:



* Whip Stitch:

You can use this method to assemble 2 pieces of outlined fabric together. (The stitched pieces must have been outlined with backstitch prior to this.)

You can then stitch each pair of opposite backstitches together, as shown on the picture.



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