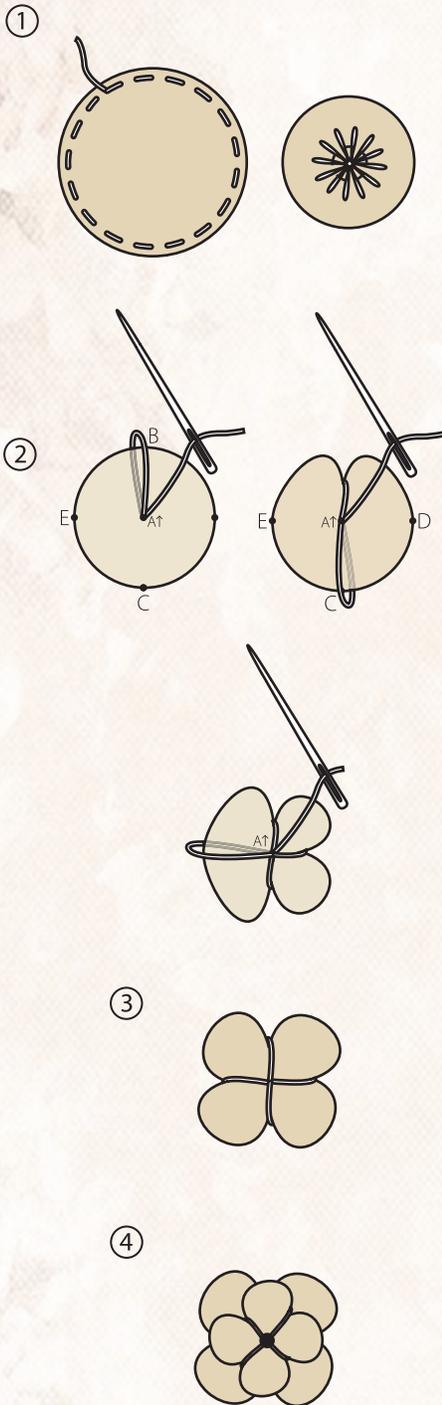


Traveler's Joy

This little flower is a combination of two flowers, one placed on top of another. It may also be worked individually beginning with a smaller circle, making tiny grouped blossoms for lilacs or hydrangeas.



1. Trace a 1-1/2" and a 2-1/4" circle onto the right side of the fabric. Cut out the circles, adding a 3/16" seam allowance. Placing the thread knot on the wrong side of the fabric, run a gathering stitch along the traced line of the 2-1/4" circle. Pull the thread, gathering it tightly in the center of the circle. Knot to secure the gather. Flatten the gathered circle.

2. On the right side of the circle, place a dot at A at the center of circle, and a dot at B, C, D, and E. Bring the needle and thread to the front at A. Lay the thread over B and bring the needle and thread back up at A. Pull tightly making a petal indentation. Repeat once more.

Lay the thread over C and bring the needle and thread back up through A. Pull tightly making a second petal indentation. Repeat once more.

Lay the thread over D and bring the needle and thread back up through A. Pull tightly making a third petal indentation. Repeat once more.

Lay the thread over E and bring the needle and thread back up through A. Pull tightly making a fourth petal indentation. Repeat once more. Knot and secure. The lower flower is made.

3. Repeat Steps 1 and 2 for the 1-1/2" circle. Do not cut the thread after this second flower is made.

4. Place the small flower on top of the larger flower, taking the needle and thread through the center of the larger flower. Knot and secure the two flowers together.

Attach the Traveler's Joy to the background fabric with a French Knot, Colonial Knot, or a bead in the center of the flower.