

Camellias, A Winter Rose

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These sweet Camellias, our winter roses, bring a dash of color to a wintry day. They are hand embroidered with four basic embroidery stitches, making this a beautiful beginner's project.

Supplies:

- 7" x 7" piece of fabric
- 6-stranded embroidery floss:
 - greens for stems and leaves (Weeks #2201)
 - reds for roses (Weeks #2265 and #2264)
 - yellow for rose center (Weeks 2223)
- 5" embroidery hoop
- #20 Chenille needle
- #20 Tapestry needle



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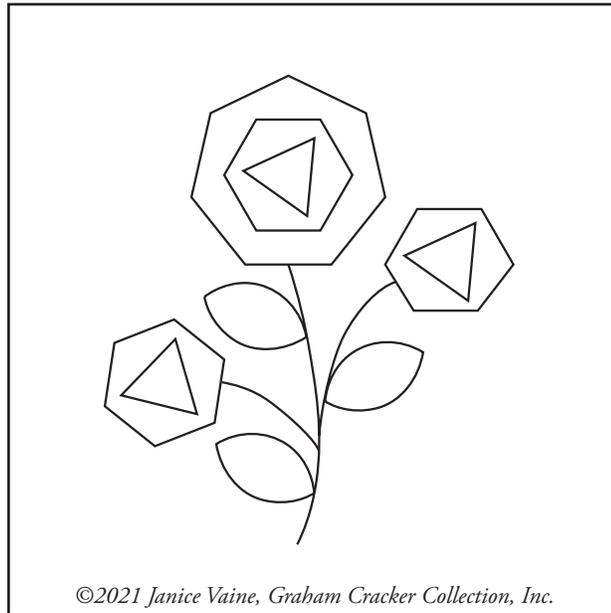
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Instructions

1. Center and trace the above pattern onto the right side of the fabric.
2. Embroider the stems with Stem Stitch and 6 strands of floss.
3. Embroider the leaves with Buttonhole Stitches and 6 strands of floss. Note: Work the stitches from the center of the leaf to one side of the edge of the leaf. Repeat on opposite side of leaf. The beaded edge of the Buttonhole Stitches are on the outside edge of the leaves.
4. Embroider the Camellias as follows:
 - Using a Chenille needle and 6 strands of floss, make one Straight Stitch per side around the triangle and the polygons.
 - Using a Tapestry needle and 12 strands of embroidery floss, pack 9 detached Buttonhole Stitches on each of the outer 7 polygon Straight Stitches, 6-7 detached Buttonhole Stitches on each of the 6 Straight Stitches of the middle polygon, and 6-7 detached Buttonhole Stitches on the three triangle Straight Stitches, forming the petals of the Camellia.
Note: DO NOT pierce the fabric when working these detached Buttonhole Stitches. Simply wrap the Buttonhole Stitches around the Straight Stitches. The beaded edge of the stitches are on the outside edge of the petals.
 - Embroider several Colonial or French Knots in the middle of each Camellia.