



Aurifil Block of the Month
with
Pam Kitty Morning



Summer Flowers



The Colors of June!

2225 light peach
5002 dark peach
2250 red
2135 yellow
2920 light gold
2024 white

2975 dark gold
1147 light green
5016 dark green
2805 light aqua
5005 dark aqua

You will also need:

8" x 8" background fabric
disappearing marking pen
embroidery needles
embroidery hoop
fabric scraps to complete block



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Begin by transferring your design to the center of your background fabric. Not being a veteran of hand embroidery, I have used circles for the flowers. This helped me keep my flowers round. Because I used a disappearing marking pen, no one is the wiser!

June's bowl of Summer Flowers uses three stitches; Lazy Daisy, French Knot and the Stem Stitch. For stitching instructions check out the We Love French Knots website: welovefrenchknots.com. Use a single strand of 12wt Aurifil thread for all stitches.

Using the photo as a guide, stem stitch the outside of the bowl with dark gold, 2975. Complete the bowl's scallop using light gold 2920.

Begin the flowers, again using the photo as a guide for color:

1 red 2250 half-flower.

1 dark peach 5002 flower in the center & 1 french knot flower, right.

1 light peach 2225 flower center top & 1 light peach half flower left.

1 white 2024 daisy plus 4 white daisy buds.

1 light aqua 2805 flower, 1 french knot flower & outside of wagon wheel looking flower.

2 dark aqua 5005 french knot flowers & spokes of wagon wheel flower.

Using yellow 2136, complete flowers using french knots for the white daisy & wagon wheel flower, stem stitch for light aqua daisy & long stitches for the remaining flowers.

Stitch stems with dark green 5016 using stem stitch.

Stitch leaves with light green 1147 using lazy daisy stitch. Centers of buds are stitched using a long stitch, outline of buds using stem stitch.

Trim your embroidered block to 4.5" x 6.5" centering design.
(I know it's scary but you can do it!)



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To complete your block:

From aqua fabrics:

Cut (2) 1.5" x 4.5" rectangles

(2) 1.5" x 2.5" rectangles

From orange fabrics:

Cut (2) 1.5" x 4.5" rectangles

(2) 1.5" x 2.5" rectangles

1. Stitch (1) aqua 1.5" x 4.5" rectangle to (1) 1.5" x 4.5" rectangle

Make 2

2. Stitch (1) aqua 1.5" x 2.5" rectangle to (1) orange 1.5" x 2.5" rectangle

Make 2

3. Stitch units from step 2 to sides of block

4. Stitch units from step 1 to top and bottom of block

Whew! You're done for now! Be sure to post a picture on the Flickr group!



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