## MERRY HOLIDAY BY STEPHANIE STOUFFER

## Isacord Thread Colors

0010 Silky White
0015 White
0020 Black
0108 Cobblestone
0150 Mystik Grey
0520 Daffodil
0622 Star Gold
0721 Antique
0741 Wheat
0761 Oat
0842 Toffee
0853 Pecan
0874 Gravel
0940 Autumn Leaf
0941 Golden Grain

0970 Linen
1055 Bark
1060 Shrimp Pink
1114 Clay
1730 Persimmon
1900 Geranium
1911 Foliage Rose
2123 Bordeaux
2250 Petal Pink
2905 Iris Blue
2920 Purple
3030 Amethyst
3335 Flag Blue
3572 Summer Grey
3611 Blue Ribbon

3713 Cornflower Blue
4174 Charcoal
5101 Dark Jade
5233 Field Green
5324 Bright Green
5400 Scrub Green
5510 Emerald
5555 Deep Green
5722 Green Grass
5730 Apple Green
5832 Celery
5833 Limabean
5944 Backyard Green

Note: One spool of 1000 meter thread is adequate for the project unless otherwise noted.

# COLLECTION SUPPLIES 

## Stabilizers

- OESD HeavyWeight Tear Away


## Fabrics/Textiles

-5/8 yd Red fabric
-5/8 yd Yellow fabric

- 2 yds Black fabric
- $1 \frac{11 / 4}{}$ yard for quilt backing
-46" $\times 46^{\prime \prime}$ piece of thin quilt batting
-182" of binding


## Notions \& Tools

- OESD Grippy Grid
- OESD Perfect Embroidery Press Cloth
- 505 Temporary Spray Adhesive
- Rotary cutting equipment, including a square ruler that measures at least $20^{\prime \prime} \times 20^{\prime \prime}$
-Walking foot or Dual feed foot
- Embroidery Needle Sharp 75/11


## Isacord Thread Colors

- Per thread chart


## MERRY HOLIDAY TWINKLING STARS WALL HANGING



This merry wall hanging sets four embroidered blocks in a wonky star, which are then tilted into a larger block before sashing. The result is a charming quilt that will set your eyes a-twinkle with cheer.

## CUTTING CHART



## From the red fabric:

- $8-53 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 53 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ squares - cut in half on the diagonal ( 16 triangles)
- $4-3^{\prime \prime} \times 23^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles
- $5-3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$ squares

From the embroidered fabrics:

- Trim to $53 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 53 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ squares

From the yellow fabric:

- $8-53 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 53 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ squares - cut in half on the diagonal ( 16 triangles)
- $4-3^{\prime \prime} \times 23^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles
- $4-3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$ squares
$32-53 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 53 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ squares each
- $12-3^{\prime \prime} \times 18^{\prime \prime}$ strips



## NOTES

The instructions, included in the collection, are general instructions. For demonstration purposes, a sample design that best demonstrates the technique is shown.
Fabric and thread requirements will vary by design, but the general technique is the same.
All designs are stitched with matching thread, top and bobbin.
Note: Some thread colors in instructions have been changed or digitally enhanced for better visibility.

## STEP 1

- Hoop fabric and stabilizer.


## STEP 2

- For each tile, stitch the colors per the thread chart.
- Sample uses designs: 80116-11, 80116-13, 80116-15, and 80116-17.


## STEP 3

- When the design is complete, remove the project from the hoop and remove the excess stabilizer.


## STEP 4

- Press right side down on a Perfect Embroidery Press Cloth.
- Set aside.
- For each block, you will need:
- 8 black squares, the background
- 8 Red or 8 Yellow triangles, the star points
- 1 each embroidered block, the center of the star


## STEP 5

- Select 4 of the black background squares and 4 of the star point triangles.


## STEP 6

- Place one triangle right sides together with one square as shown. The long edge of the triangle will extend past the edges of the square, and the 90 -degree angle of the triangle will be within the square.
- For each block you will change the angle of the triangle to create the "wonky-ness" of the star.

Tip: Ensure that when the triangle is flipped and ironed to the correct side, it extends past the
 edges of the background square. Cross the tip of the triangle over center on both edges of the background block to allow for a $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ seam on each side.

## STEP 7

- Stitch the triangle to the background square along the long edge, sewing $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ from the triangle edge.
- Trim away the excess background fabric.

- Fold open and press away from the background fabric.
- Repeat for each of the four background squares.


## STEP9

- Sew the remaining 4 triangles to the opposite side of these 4 background blocks as with the first triangle.
- The triangles can overlap or leave a gap. Be sure that when flipped, the triangle will extend past the background square.
- Stitch and trim as with the first triangles.



## STEP 10

- Using the background fabric as a guide, trim the block to 5 3/4"



## STEP 11

- Arrange in a 9 patch layout with the completed star points, embroidered center block, and four plain background squares as shown.

- Sew together in 3 rows using a $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ seam. Press the top and bottom rows toward the star points. Press the center row away from the embroidered block.

- Finish the block by sewing the top and bottom rows to the center row, nesting the seams. Press these seams away from the center block.


STEP 14

- Cut two each of the red and yellow $3^{\prime \prime} \times 22^{\prime \prime}$ long rectangles in half once diagonally, taking care to orient the cuts in the same direction.



## STEP 15

- Cut the remaining two red and yellow $3^{\prime \prime} \times 22^{\prime \prime}$ long rectangles in half once diagonally in the opposite direction.
Note: Make cuts along the opposite diagonal to produce long triangles that are mirror images of those cut in the previous step.



## STEP 16

- Select four like yellow triangles that are cut as shown in the upper left portion of the photo.
- Align a triangle with a red-star block, right sides together and its 90-degree corner aligned with the top corner of a block as shown.
Note: The point of the triangle will extend past the opposite edge of the block.

- Sew together, beginning at the 90-degree corner.
- Stop sewing when you reach the block's midpoint.
- Fold open and press the seam toward the triangle.


## STEP 18

- Working in a counter-clockwise direction, add a second triangle to the block, matching 90-degree corners. The point of the second triangle will extend past the wider edge of the first triangle.



## STEP 19

- Fold open and press the seam toward the triangle.


## STEP 20

- Moving counterclockwise again, add the third and fourth triangle.
- Fold open and press seam allowances towards the triangle after each addition.


## STEP 21

- After sewing the last triangle, align the unsewn edge of the first triangle with the block.
- The point of the triangle will extend past the wider edge of the fourth triangle.
- Complete the seam, backstitching a few stitches over the original seam line and then continuing to the end of the triangle.
- Fold open and press the seam toward the triangle.



## STEP 22

- Repeat the steps above with the matching set of red triangles attaching to one of the yellow-star blocks.


## STEP 23

- Use the same method to sew the remaining triangles to the remaining star blocks, matching the red triangles with the yellow star block and the yellow triangles with the red star block.
- This set of triangles are mirror images of the first and are sewn to the block in a clockwise direction.
- Placing your ruler on top of the block, align its right edges $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ past the upper left and upper right corner edges of the inner block.
- Trim along the right and top edges, leaving a $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ seam allowance past those inner block tips.
- Tip: You may need to twist the ruler a bit to get the correct alignment.



## STEP 25

- Turn the block around and do the same on the remaining untrimmed edges. Square up the block to $18^{\prime \prime} \times 18^{\prime \prime}$.



## STEP 26

- Repeat for all blocks.

STEP 27

- Arrange the blocks in two rows as shown, placing vertical sashing strips between them and along outer edges.



## STEP 28

- Sew sashing to blocks in each row. Press seam allowances towards the sashing.


## STEP 29

- Sew horizontal sashing units together as shown, separating them with sashing squares. Press seam allowances towards the squares.


## STEP 30

- Sew the quilt together, placing a horizontal sashing unit between the rows and at the top and bottom of the quilt. Press seams towards sashing units.


## STEP 31

- Layer the backing (right side down), batting, and center the top (right side up).
- Spray baste all 3 layers with temporary spray adhesive.
- Quilt as desired.


## STEP 32

- Trim all three layers to square up the finished quilt.
- Zigzag over the raw edges to join the edges together.
- Bind as desired.



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