



RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EMBROIDERY WORK ON FABRIC

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THREAD

SUGGESTED NEEDLE

Fine Weight Fabrics:

Silk, lawn, fine linen and fine synthetics

Stranded Cotton 1 strand
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Stranded Cotton 1 – 2 strands
Stranded Cotton 3 strands
Perlè Thread #12

Embroidery size 10 and 12
Sharp point Bead Embroidery/Short Beading size 12
Sharp point Bead Embroidery/Short Beading size 10
Embroidery size 8 and 9
Embroidery size 6 and 7
Chenille size 22 and 24

Medium Weight Fabrics:

Satin, rayon, sailcloth and medium linen

Stranded Cotton 2 strands
Stranded Cotton 3 – 4 strands
Stranded Cotton 4 – 6 strands
Perlè Thread #8
Stranded Cotton 6 strands

Embroidery size 8 and 9
Embroidery size 6 and 7
Embroidery size 5
Chenille size 20 and 22
Filling in stitches: long & short stitch, satin stitch

Heavy Weight Fabrics:

Furnishing fabric and heavy linen

Stranded Cotton 3 – 6 strands
Perlè Thread #5
Perlè Thread #3

Embroidery size 3, 4, 5 and 6
Chenille size 20
Chenille size 16 and 18

The above recommendations are for free style embroidery when a design is traced onto the fabric. Stranded Cotton is extremely versatile and therefore the number of strands used can vary depending on personal choice and the fabric chosen.