

Instructions:

This project is rated - INTERMEDIATE.

All stitches are cross-stitches. There is no backstitching.

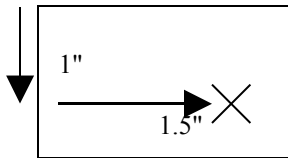
Fabric: Use 18 count Aida fabric of your choice. I prefer Antique White, Aida 18.

1. Cut a piece of fabric 8" x 10". This gives you plenty of room to work.
2. Fold the piece of fabric in half horizontally and then again vertically to find the center of the fabric. On chart follow the arrows along the side to the center.
3. Mark the center of the fabric with a pin and begin stitching according to the chart working from the center outward.

Alternative:

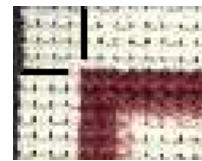
You could also begin stitching with the top left corner of the pattern. Do this instead:

2. Set fabric in front of you on a table with the 10" side in the horizontal direction and the 8" side in the vertical direction.
3. Measure and mark the fabric with a pin...From the upper left corner of the fabric go down 1 inch. From that 1 inch mark on the left side go in 1.5 inches. This is where you should begin stitching the top left corner of the pattern.



Finishing Instructions:

4. When all stitching is completed then trim the fabric to 4 squares away from the stitching on all sides.
5. Apply Fray check (or a thin line of glue) along the cut edge of the fabric to prevent fraying or unraveling. Let dry completely.
6. On the corners clip up to 1 square from the stitching .
7. Pull each corner back one at a time and glue to the wrong side. Let dry.
8. For **Bound Edges:**
Pull each side back one at a time and glue to the wrong side.
Let dry.
For **Fringe** at ends:
Pull each long sided back one at a time and glue to the wrong side.
Let dry.
Use a tweezers and remove the cut threads going up and down, to
Create the fringe on the ends of the rug.



Tips:

Use ordinary white glue or tacky glue.

Use glue sparingly and be careful not to get any drips on the front of your stitching.

Use paper clips or hair clips as clamps to hold the fabric to the back while the glue dries.