Pattern Requirements

**Finished Size:** Approximately 1 1/8" (3cm) flower (not including earring hook)

- 4" (10cm) square of 100% wool felt pale pink for the darker pink earrings (A) and white for the pale pink earrings (B)
- ♦ 3" (7.5cm) embroidery hoop
- ♦ Embroidery needle
- Embroidery floss; Earrings A DMC 151, 893, 840
  Earrings B DMC 225, 963, 841
- ♦ 2 fish hook style ear wires (metal earring shapes)
- Sulky "stick'n'stitch" printable, self adhesive, wash away sheets OR fine tracing paper
- ♦ Daisy template file





STUDIO for PRETTY STITCHES



# DAISY EARRINGS

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Happy Stitching, Lauren Notes

For more information on the materials you will need to start your embroidery, please visit this post on the blog: https://www.mollyandmama. com.au/embroidery-for-beginners-what-supplies-will-youneed/

Please read the pattern from beginning to end before you start. You may also like to visit the Molly and Mama blog to read the Embroidery for Beginners series to help you:

https://www.mollyandmama.com. au/category/embroidery/

The step by step images illustrate the construction of the candy pink earrings, but colours are also included in the Pattern Requirements if you'd like to sew the pale pink earrings too. Or you might choose to use entirely different colours!



### PREPARE THE HOOP

### Transfer the Design

Print the single daisy template (included on the last pattern page) onto the stick'n'stitch, following the directions on the pack.

Cut the stick'n'stitch into a 4" (10cm) square, ensuring that the printed daisies are centred.

NOTE: The stick'n'stitch can be cut smaller than the felt, but I found it easier to stitch it when the edges of the stick'n'stitch were held down by the embroidery hoop.

Peel off the stick'n'stitch backing paper and stick the daisy design to the felt square (there is no 'wrong' side to felt).

Centre the felt in the embroidery hoop and tighten the screw so that the felt is taut. This optional step allows for evenly tensioned stitches. But the flowers can also be stitched without a hoop if you prefer.

## Start Stitching

Thread an embroidery needle with three strands of the palest

embroidery floss. Back stitch (Image A) around the petal shapes following the outline. This stitch line will provide a neat edge for the satin stitches in the next step (Image B).

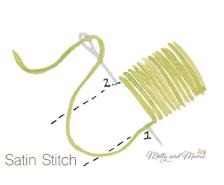
When finishing your stitching, be sure to sew a few backstitches on the wrong side of the felt, making sure the stitches are positioned inside the outline of the flower shape.

TIP: To learn more about the different stitch types, please visit the Molly and Mama Embroidery Stitch Library: https://www.mollyandmama. com.au/embroidery-stitch-basics/

Satin stitch each of the petals using three strands of pale pink floss (Image C). To start, sew a straight stitch from the centre of the daisy out to the centre of the petal. Sew an additional stitch on either side of this centre stitch (dividing each petal into four sections) as shown in Image D. These guide stitches will help keep the remainder of your satin stitches straight, as you sew.







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# COMPLETE THE STITCHING

Satin stitch the remainder of each petal filling in the gaps between the straight stitches (Image E).

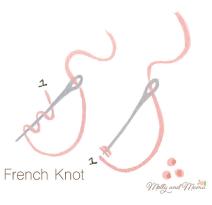
Using three strands of darker floss, sew four evenly spaced straight stitches of varying lengths over each satin stitched petal, starting at the centre of the daisy and ending 1/3 of the way to the petal edge (Image F). These single stitches will provide extra highlight stitches. Using three strands of brown floss, fill the inner circle of the daisy with French knots (Image G).

Start by sewing adjacent knots around the outside of the circle, and then continue in towards the centre, until the entire space is filled (Image H).

Now the flowers are complete, it's time to create the earrings.







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# ASSEMBLE THE EARRINGS

Remove the felt from the hoop. Peel back the stick'n'stitch and cut away the excess close to the flower stitching (Image I).

Using the directions on the pack, submerge the felt in warm water and gently agitate it to dissolve the remaining stick'n'stitch.

Air dry the felt on a towel and then press on the wrong side once dry.

Cut out each felt flower using small embroidery scissors with short, sharp blades. Cut close the stitching line but not on the line (otherwise your stitches may unravel). The cut flowers can be seen in Image J.

Place the two daisies beside each other and arrange them so that they mirror one another, and so a single petal faces the top.

Using two strands of floss, sew an ear wire (earring shape) to the top of the centre of the petal. Start the stitch behind the flower and bring the floss up inside the felt so that it exits the flower in the centre of the top petal (where you wish to attach the ear wire).

Sew a stitch though the ear wire loop (Image K), then back down through the felt, exiting at the back of the flower.

Repeat for the remaining flower.

Trim the thread ends (at the base of your knots) at the back of each flower to neaten everything up (Image L) Your earrings are all ready to wear!











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# EXTRA TIPS AND TRICKS

#### No Stick'n'Stitch? No worries!

Trace the daisy designs onto thin tissue paper. Pin the paper to the felt. Using two strands of floss, stitch directly through the paper to back stitch the entire outline of the daisy shape. When you've finished the embroidery, hold the stitches with one hand as you gently tear away the paper with the other. This will leave an outline of the embroidery stitches. You can then follow the same method described above to complete the embroidery.

See this tutorial for a detailed description of this process (along with step-by-step photos):

https://www.mollyandmama. com.au/how-to-embroiderdetails-onto-felt/

#### ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- Use contrasting felt and floss colours, for a dramatic look.
- Experiment with different stitch types and even different flower shapes.
- Reduce or enlarge the template to make different sized daisies.
- Use the flowers to adorn gift tags, appliqué onto small sewing projects or to create a decorative garland.

TIP: Store the earrings flat. Spot clean using a damp cloth and a dabbing motion (no rubbing).



#### Embroidered Daisy Earrings

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