



GIFT TAGS AND BOOKMARK

YOU WILL NEED

For the Meadow Cranesbill Bookmark, measuring 20.5cm x 7.5cm (8in x 3in):

25cm x 11.5cm (10in x 4½in) of white perforated paper, with 14 divisions to 2.5cm (1in)
20.5cm x 7.5cm (8in x 3in) of iron-on interfacing
50cm (20in) of lilac ribbon, 6mm (¼in) wide
Stranded embroidery cotton in the colours given in the appropriate panel
No.24 tapestry needle

For the Red Champion Gift Tag, measuring 9.5cm x 5cm (3¾in x 2in):

19cm x 5cm (7½in x 2in) of white perforated paper, with 14 divisions to 2.5cm (1in)
19cm x 5cm (7½in x 2in) of parchment paper, for the inside
Stranded embroidery cotton in the colours given in the appropriate panel
No.24 tapestry needle

For either the Meadow Cranesbill or the Wild Pansy Gift Tag, each measuring 5cm (2in):

10cm (4in) of cream Aida fabric, with 22 threads to 2.5cm (1in)
Stranded embroidery cotton in the colours given in the appropriate panel
No.26 tapestry needle
Gift tag (for suppliers, see page 254)

THE EMBROIDERY

For the designs that are embroidered on perforated paper, use three strands of thread in the needle. Find the centre of the bookmark paper by counting the spaces between the holes. Fold the paper for the gift tag in half, and find the centre of the front half only. In either case, mark the centre with a soft pencil, which can be rubbed out later. Then begin embroidering from the centre point of the pattern and work outward.

The design for the meadow cranesbill tag is simply the top flower from the bookmark design. For this and the wild pansy tag, use one strand of thread in the needle for both cross stitch and backstitch, and embroider from the centre. Gently steam press the embroidery on the wrong side.

FINISHING THE BOOKMARK

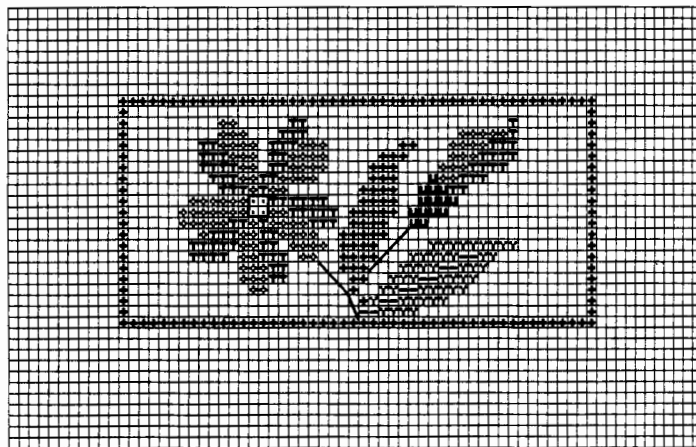
Centre the interfacing on the wrong side of the bookmark, then iron it in place. Trim around the border of the design, leaving an edging of two perforations. You may find it easier to mark your cutting line with a soft pencil before you start.

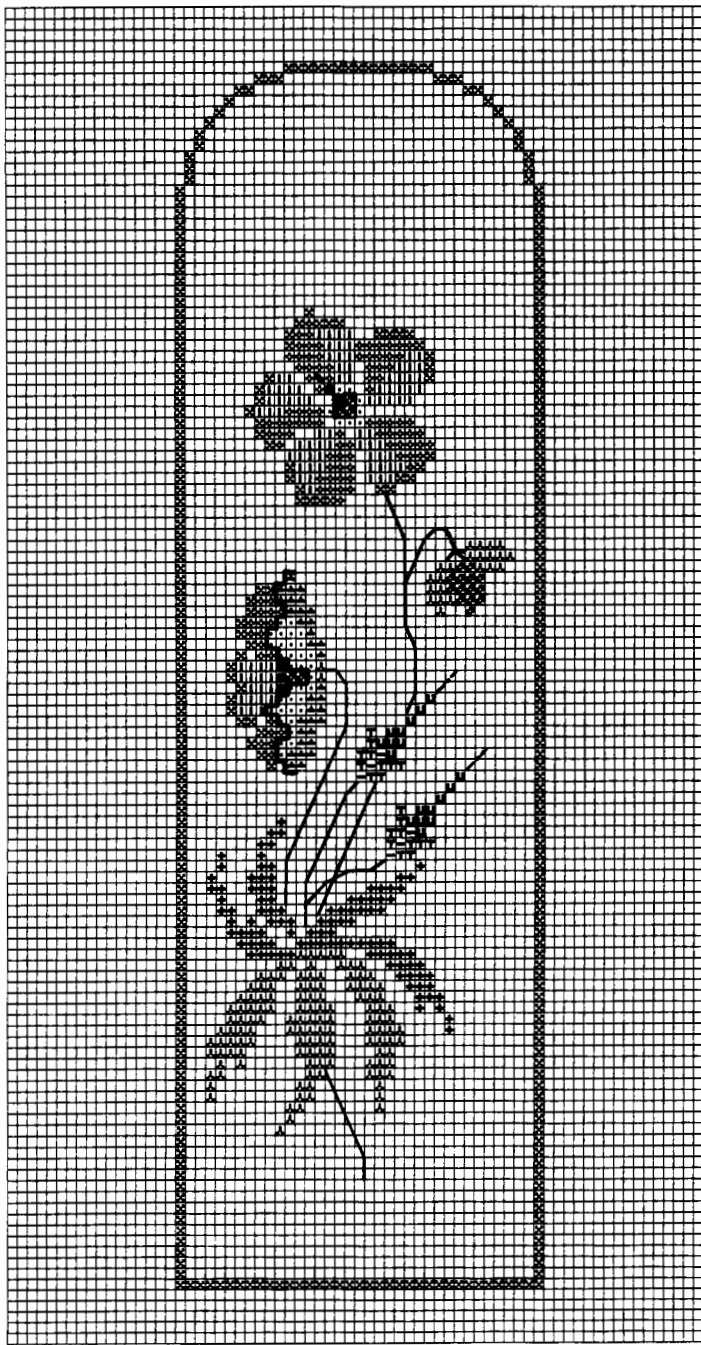
Cut the ribbon in half. Gather along the edge of one piece and tighten it into a rosette. Fold the other length in half to make two streamers and stitch the fold to the lower edge of the bookmark. Glue or stitch the rosette in place.

MAKING THE GIFT TAGS

For the red champion gift tags, use all-purpose adhesive to glue the parchment paper to the back of the embroidered paper. Fold the tag in half.

For the meadow cranesbill or wild pansy tag, trim around the design until the fabric measures 4.5cm (1¾in) square. Open the tag and centre the design in the aperture, then secure according to the manufacturer's instructions.

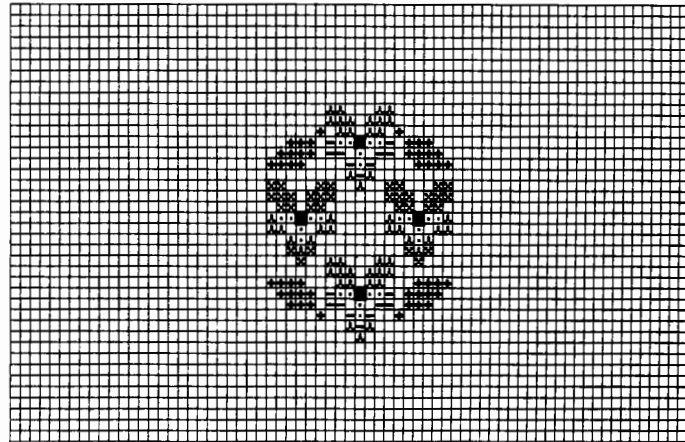




◀ MEADOW CRANESBILL

	DMC	ANCHOR	MADEIRA
•	Pale mauve 211	342	0801
⌋	Mauve 210	108	0802
⌋	Pale lavender blue 341	117	0901
X	Blue 340	118	0902
⊕	Medium blue 794	120	0907
⌋	Lime green 471	266	1501
⌋	Green 3363	262	1602
+	Dark green 501	878	1704
—	Fawn 613	831	2109
T	Greenish brown 611	898	2107
⌋	Dark brown 898	360	2006
■	Black 310	403	Black

Note: Backstitch outline the centre of the upper flower in black, the petals of the lower flower in blue, seed pods in dark brown and stems and centre of upper flower in green; for the gift tag, buy only those colours indicated on the chart.



▲ WILD PANSY

	DMC	ANCHOR	MADEIRA
□	White* White	2	White
—	Light mauve 554	97	0711
⌋	Medium mauve 552	101	0713
X	Dark mauve 550	102	0714
•	Yellow 726	295	0109
+	Dark green 3346	262	1407
■	Black 310	403	Black

Note: Outline flower centres in white (*used for backstitch only).*

◀ RED CAMPION

	DMC	ANCHOR	MADEIRA
⌋	Pale pink 3609	85	0710
⊕	Pink 3608	86	0709
T	Deep pink 3607	87	0708
⌋	Purplish red 315	896	0810
—	Pale green 3348	264	1409
T	Green 3347	266	1408
+	Dark green 3346	262	1407

Note: Backstitch stalks and flower centre in green.