

Crazy Quilt Pin

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Materials needed

3-4 inch square of muslin

3-4 inch square of backing fabric

Scraps of woven fabric (do not use knits)

Hand sewing needle

Thread

Scissors

Pin back

Optional embellishments:

Beads (beading needle and thread)

Embroidery floss (embroidery needle)

Buttons

Lace

Charms

The square of muslin is your foundation piece. Cut various shapes from your scraps to cover the muslin. Stitch each piece to the muslin. The scraps should overlap each other. Remember that the raw edges can fray, so cover them with another piece of fabric or fold under. It is okay if the fabric extends beyond the muslin. It can be trimmed when the backing is attached.

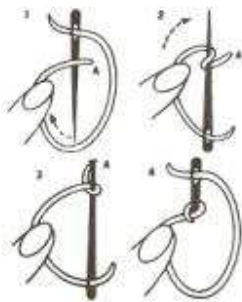
Embellishment of the square is optional, but really makes the pin your own. Let your imagination run wild! Use embroidery stitches to cover the seams between fabrics. Small buttons or charms can be used to cover an “oops” (i.e. a mismatched seam or open space). A piece of lace can change the look of a piece of “not quite the right color” fabric.

Once you have covered your muslin completely and decide your square is finished, sew the backing to the piece with right sides together approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ inch from the edge leaving an opening to turn right side out. Whipstitch opening closed. Sew the pin-back to the upper part of the backing fabric. The pin-back can be placed on the diagonal to give the pin a “diamond” shape. If you wish for your pin to be heart shaped, use a template to draw the heart onto the backing piece, and then sew on your line. Leave opening to turn and whipstitch closed. Wear your crazy quilt pin with pride!!!

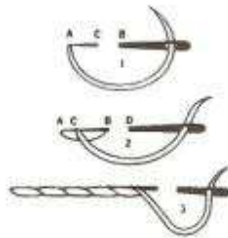
Lazy Daisy
Stitch



French
Knot



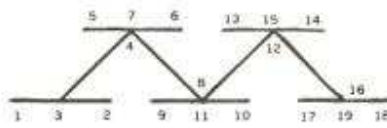
Stem or
Outline Stitch



Chain
Stitch



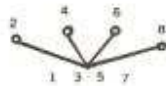
Chevron
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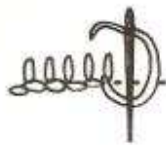
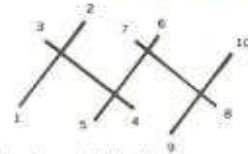
Satin
Stitch



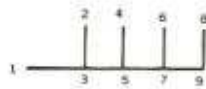
Clusters of French Knots
on Straight Stitches



Herringbone
Stitch



Blanket or Open Buttonhole
Stitch



Feather
Stitch



Fly
Stitch



Sheaf filling
Stitch



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