

Stumpwork Acorns

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2 DAYS: Monday 6 and Tuesday 7

Level: Intermediate

Technique(s): Surface stitch, silk shading,

stumpwork

Kitset: \$40

ABOUT THE WORKSHOP

In this workshop you will learn how to create an embroidery with three-dimensional features.

This twig of oak leaves features silk-shaded leaves – you will learn how the use of different coloured threads adds visual interest, as well as creating one or two stumpwork (raised) leaves to elevate above your piece. The acorns are three-dimensional.

You will not finish the entire piece in the two days, however all techniques will be fully covered; mounting will also be demonstrated.



ABOUT THE TUTOR..

Caroline has been stitching since the mid-1990s. A life member of the Hutt Art Society, she joined ANZEG and one of its Extension groups in 2015. Caroline primarily creates original designs, drawing inspiration from the natural world. She has exhibited extensively and is well known for her meticulous attention to detail, as well as her role as editor of Threads.



WORKSHOP NEEDS LIST

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Total costs: 2-day workshop fee: \$200 + kit cost: \$40 = \$240

You will not finish the entire piece in two days but all techniques will be fully covered, along with some hands-on practice at mounting the completed work. No work prior to the class will be required and students do not need to have done stumpwork before, but they should be familiar with surface shading and buttonhole stitch.

The kitset will include:

- Comprehensive notes
- · Silk dupion background fabric
- Calico backing fabric
- Small square of green fabric for detached leaves
- Small square of felt for acorns
- All threads needed for the class
- Needles needed for the class, though students can bring favourites
- Wire and stuffing for raised items

You will need to bring:

- A 20cm diameter hoop, bottom hoop bound
 - this can be hand held or on a stand if you
 prefer AND a small hoop about 10cm diameter
- Thread scissors
- Old scissors or wire cutters
- A thimble (if you use one)
- · HB pencil and sharpener

