



Spool Play

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2 DAYS: Wednesday 8 and Thursday 9

Level: All levels Technique(s): Canvaswork

Kit cost: \$50

ABOUT THE WORKSHOP

This fun project starts as a simple rectangle filled with stripes of different stitches, then transforms into a delightful pincushion with the addition of some felt, card and stuffing. The design is great for encouraging students to develop creative confidence with colour and stitch choice, as well as learn a bit of construction. While a chart is provided, students who are comfortable with canvaswork are welcome to deviate from the original design so it becomes their own personal creative interpretation.



ABOUT THE TUTOR.

Based in Perth, WA, Ann-Marie is passionate about sharing her love of the myriad patterns that emerge from playing with geometry, colour, and canvas. She has taught in Australia and internationally, both in person and online since 2012, and believes strongly in building creative confidence so that everyone can share in the joy of stitching.



Thread pack (optional, in addition to the workshop fee) = \$60

Students can choose to provide their own threads, or I can provide a thread pack. This is enough thread for either the 24 or 18-count versions. It includes eight skeins of hand-dyed silk, one card of metallic and a length of decorative braid.

On 24-count, the finished size of the embroidery design is 20x10cm and the completed pincushion measures 13cm high with a diameter of 9cm.

On 18-count, the finished size of the embroidery design is 26x13cm and the completed pincushion measures 16cm high with a diameter of 11cm.

The base kitset will include:

- A set of full colour instructions
- One piece of either 24-count Congress measuring 25x30cm (choice of white, cream or mocha) -or-
 - 18-count canvas measuring 30x35cm (choice of white, cream, or pale blue)
- Materials to construct the pincushion

You can add thread pack to your kitset:

• 24 or 18-count pack = \$60

You will need to bring:

- Frame: Q-snaps: 11"x 8" for 24-count or 11"x11" for 18-count;
 - -or- Stretcher bars: 10"x12" for 24-count or 12"x14" for 18-count
- Needle: Size 24 tapestry needle for 24-count; Size 22 tapestry needle for 18-count
- Threads: You are welcome to bring threads from your own stash
- Visual aids: Magnifying glass and/or light if you usually need these for working your embroidery
- Standard sewing kit including small, sharp embroidery scissors; pen or pencil; optional laying tool