

Home in the Country

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For step-by-step directions on how to stitch the *Home in the Country* embroidery, visit the *Home in the Country Stitch-Along* under the Tutorials Menu on www.artfabrik.com.

For more free-form embroidery ideas, see Laura Wasilowski's book *Joyful Stitching: Transform Fabric with Improvisational Embroidery* (C&T Publishing, 2018) and *Playful Free-Form Embroidery: Stitch Stories with Texture, Pattern & Color* (C&T Publishing, 2021)

How to Transfer the Pattern to Fabric for Stitching:

- Place tracing paper on the drawing and trace it with a black marker.
- Pin the tracing in place onto wool with straight pins.
- Select a sewing thread (40 or 50 weight) in a color contrasting to the background fabric. Use a sewing needle or size 5 embroidery needle.
- Follow the black marker lines on the tracing and stitch the outline of the shapes in the design using Running Stitches.
- After stitching the outline, remove the paper using the tip of a pin to score the paper next to the stitches. Gently rip away the paper.
- The Running Stitches define the edges of the design and will be removed after stitching the shapes with permanent stitches.

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