

## Cutwork and Eyelet Doily

### MATERIALS:

42 cm x 30 cm White Linen  
White Tanne Thread no. 50  
Wash-away Fabric  
Blue Erasable Pen  
Open-toed Foot Eyelet Plate Size 4.5  
Big Foot ( Darning foot )  
Spring Embroidery Hoop  
Sharp Embroidery Scissors  
Spray Starch

### METHOD:

1. Stiffen the linen with spray starch, just to give it a little body. ( Doesn't have to be very stiff )
2. Trace the pattern on to the linen using an erasable pen.
3. Using a straight stitch, Length 1.5, sew around all the areas to be cut out. It pays to continue the stitching right around the outer line of the rectangle so that you have a guide line for the satin stitching later-on. Also straight stitch around the outer edges of the scallops for the same reason.  
With the same straight sew all the stamens and veins on the flowers and leaves.
4. Sew all the eyelets on the outside edges. ( Flower centers are done last, after all the rest of the embroidery is completed. )

### TO SEW EYELET&

- Lower the feed dogs
- Install the eyelet plate
- Call up Stitch no. 32 (11) and mirror pattern it
- Put the fabric in a spring hoop and snip one or two threads in the center of the marked eyelet position. Push the fabric over the pin in the eyelet plate. The fabric must fit tightly around the pin.
- Remove the sewing foot. Pull up the bobbin thread and hold both threads while you sew a few stitches. Cut the threads and continue stitching around the hole, while turning the hoop with the fabric evenly and clockwise. The stitches must be very close together.

### CUTWORK Bridge Stitching

- Starting with the center pattern carefully cut out all the areas that are to be filled in with bridge stitching. Place a piece of washaway at the back and pin in position.
- Zig zag around all the cut areas with a stitch length of 1.5 and width 1.5.
- Place your fabric over the pattern and trace all the bridging lines on to the wash-away

It is far easier to do all the bridge stitching free hand, with the feed dogs down and the big foot or darning foot on the machine.

- . To form the bridging sew twice over each bridging line with a straight stitch
- Always making sure that you stitch into the fabric at each end. Cover the two rows of stitching with a zig zag stitch 1.5 wide. When the bridging in the center design is completed do the cutwork at each corner in the same way

## EMBROIDERY

Put the feed dogs back up and put the open-toed foot on.

Loosen the tension to 2 and proceed with the satin stitching using Stitch no 16 ( 12 ) Length 0.9 Width 2.5 or 3.0 depending on the pattern.

Stitch around all the flowers and leaves first then the rectangle, using the row of straight stitching as a guide: Reduce the stitch length to 0.8 for this.

Lastly stitch around the scallops with the stitch length back to 0.9 FLOWER . NT Centers  
Sew an eyelet in the center of each flower.

Use the pattern below as a guide. You will need to print it out, cut it and cellotape it together. Then you can enlarge it on a photocopier to the size you want. (The pattern was originally in A3 size)

