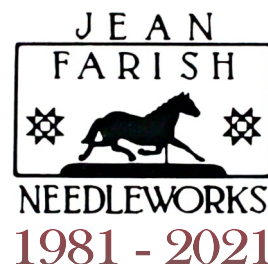


Vintage Hearts

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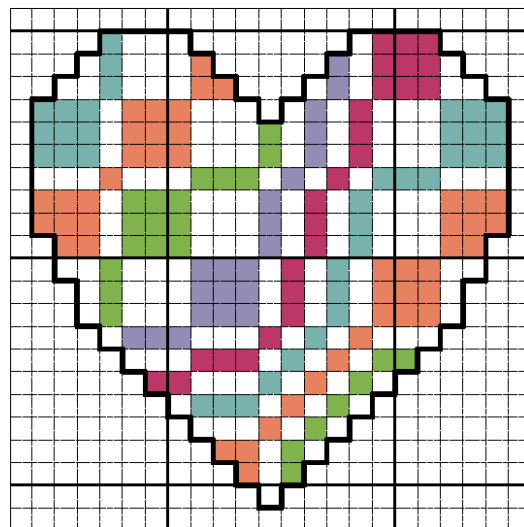


I used Cosmo's "Seasons" variegated flosses. On the left, I stitched with two strands of #8056 for the cross stitch and a single strand of the same to backstitch the hearts. On the right, I used #8061 for the red heart, #5012 for the green, and #5020 for the blue.

This design is based on an old overshot weaving pattern, or draft, which I first used in the Weather Vane Horse chart, published in 1982. Applying the geometric repeat from a classic coverlet to a cross stitch design combined two of my loves.

Choose any one floss color for all three hearts or play around with several. This design works well with solid, variegated, and over-dyed floss.

Stitching along a diagonal path rather than in rows is an easy and effective way to approach this design. The colorful pathway diagram, right, illustrates this technique. For good results, try either the Victoria Cross stitch or English Cross stitch rather than the Danish cross stitch when stitching with a variegated or over-dyed floss.



A detailed tutorial for assembling the scissor fob can be found on the Jean Farish Needleworks "FlossTube" channel, officially called YouTube.

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the left side of the design,

ACROSS: 70
DOWN: 44

Use any floss color. Choose a solid,
variegated, or over-dyed.

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the right side of the design,

