

Free Design

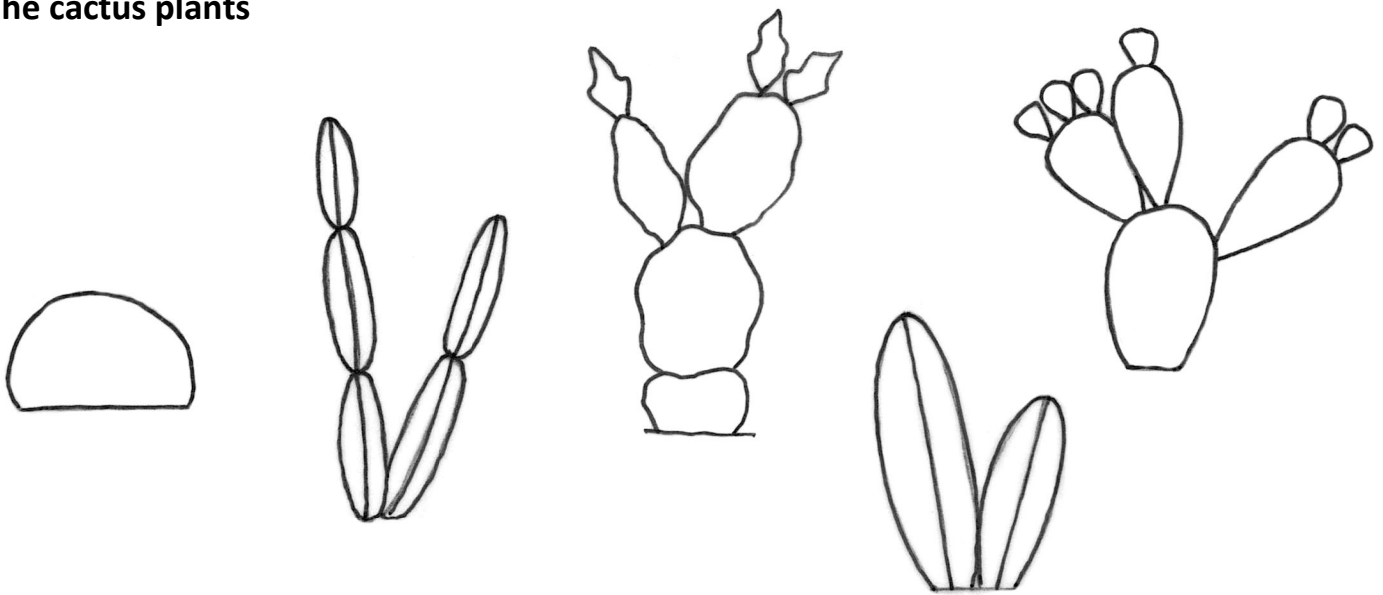
Cactus plants



Print off this page and trace your chosen cactus design below onto your fabric with a waterproof or erasable transfer pen or use the prick and pounce method. Go over the designs with a black pen first if you can't see them clearly through the fabric. Frame the fabric into your embroidery hoop placing a backing fabric behind your embroidery fabric to give you a more stable ground to work on. Cut out the plant pots to make paper templates! Draw around them on your chosen fabric/felt or just cut straight around them. Mix and match your plants and pots!

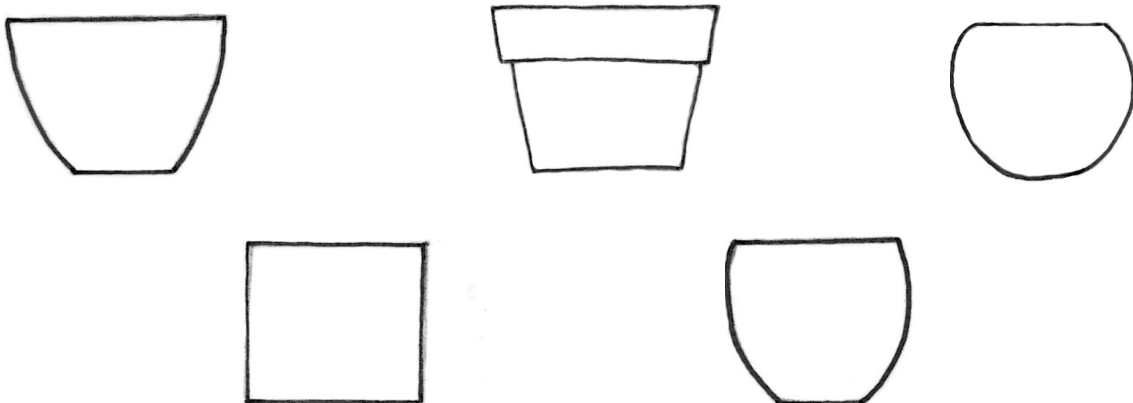
Outline designs for transfer

The cactus plants



The plant pots

Cut them out in felt or fabric or trace on the design outlines and stitch them!



Inspiration

I wanted to show, with these designs, how easy it is to put simple stitches together to make something that looks more complex! Mix and match the pots and the plants to design your own cactus plant!

Check out our other videos on all the stitches used in the accompanying video, how to frame up your fabric, how to thread your needles and how to start and finish your threads; just search **Sarah Homfray Embroidery** on YouTube to find our channel and click on the red **SUBSCRIBE** button to bookmark our page.

You will need:-

A printer to print off this design!

Threads

I used all stranded cotton/floss for this project (see video for number of strands and colours!) but you can use any threads you like. See if you can find a textured thread to make some fuzzy cactus effects!

Fabric

I used white cotton with a cotton backing fabric to stitch these designs on but anything made of natural fibres such as cotton, linen or linen/cotton blend will work well.

Other items you will need:

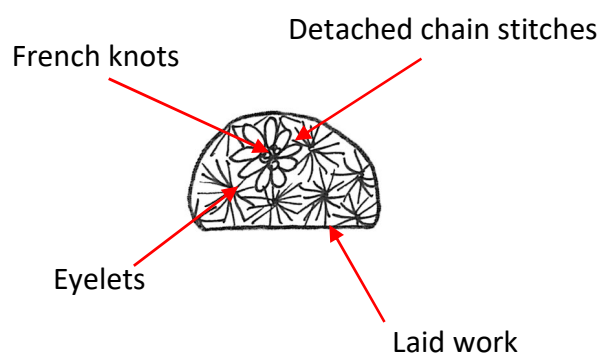
- Embroidery scissors
- Needles to match the thread you are using
- Embroidery hoop or stretcher bar frames
- Waterproof or erasable design transfer pen
- Optional - Versatile table clamp to hold the frame still

**See our YouTube Channel for the video that accompanies this PDF:
Just look for '5 Cactus to stitch'!**

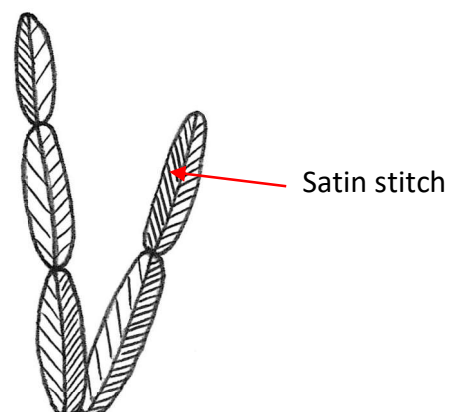
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Stitch plans

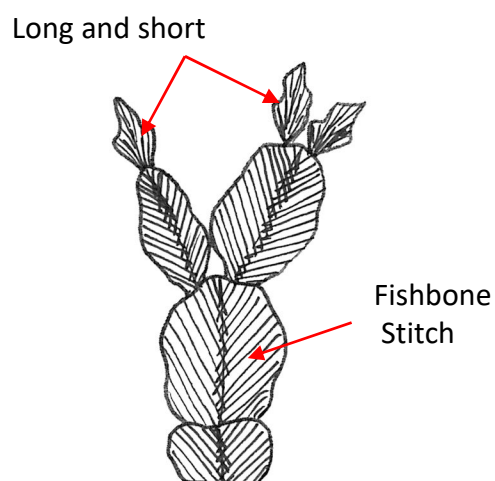
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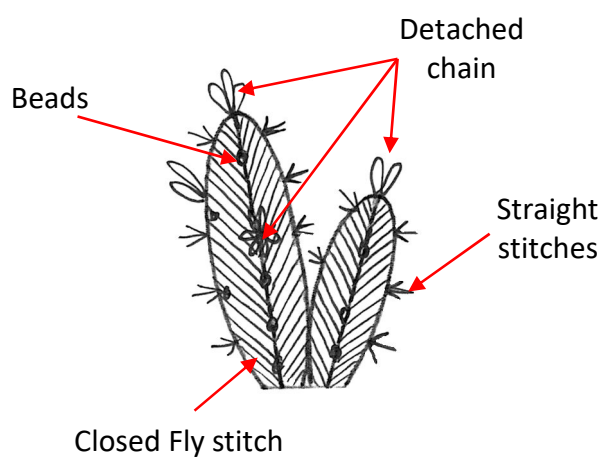
2) Green Cercus



3) Christmas cactus



4) Columnar Cactus



5) Prickly Pear Cactus

