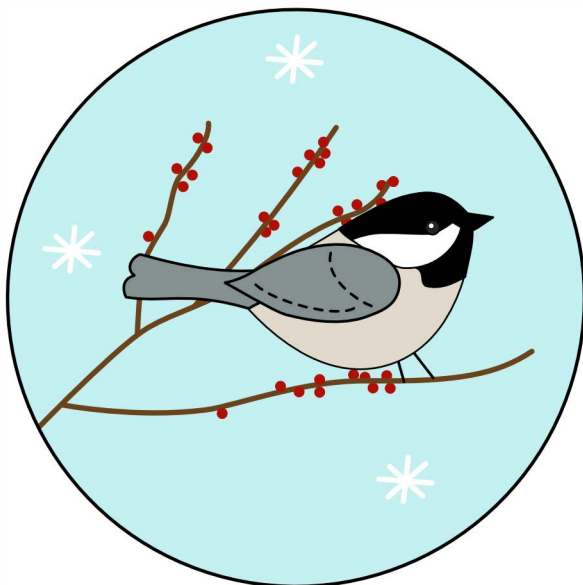


Downeast Thunder Farm Birds on Branches Christmas Ornaments

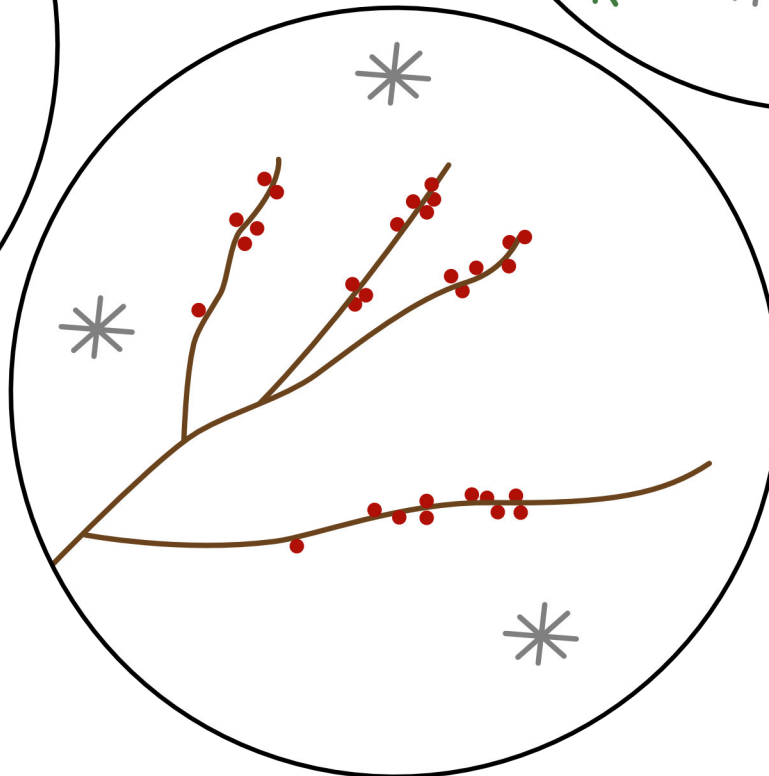
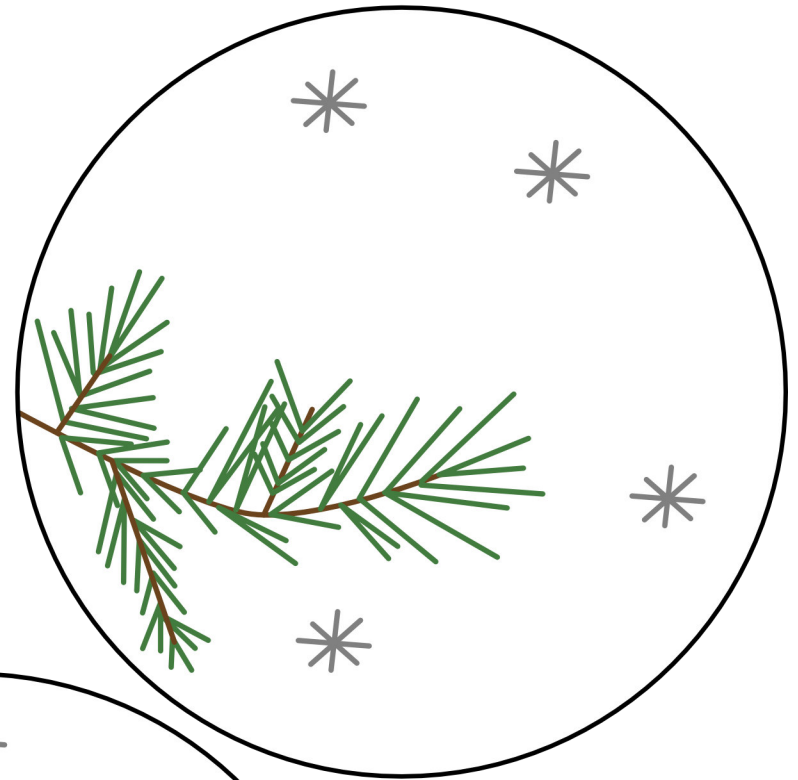
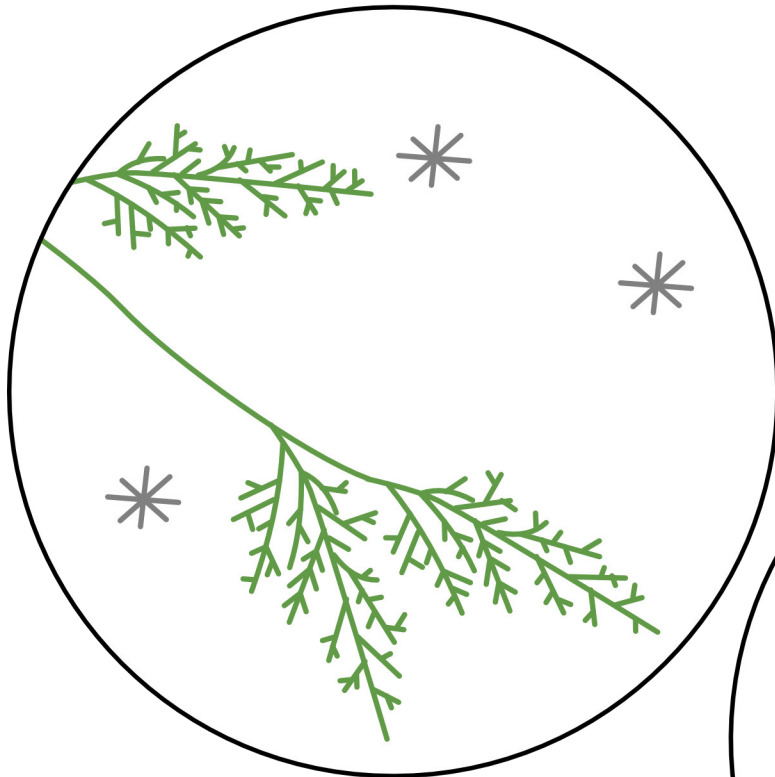


Ornament Backgrounds

- Sew the background designs before adding the birds using blue felt for the base.
- Sew the branches with a split stitch with six strands of floss.
- Use two strands of floss and straight stitches for the needles.
- Create the berries with French knots using three strands of red floss (do this part after you've added your bird).
- Create the snowflakes with straight stitches using three strands of white sparkly floss.
- Sew the completed ornaments together with a white blanket stitch using three strands of floss. Stuff with fiberfill or leave them flat.

Cut two circles for the base of the ornament. If making a double-sided ornament, cut two of each of the bird pattern pieces.

Alternatively, cut a circle 1/4" larger for the back to frame the ornament.

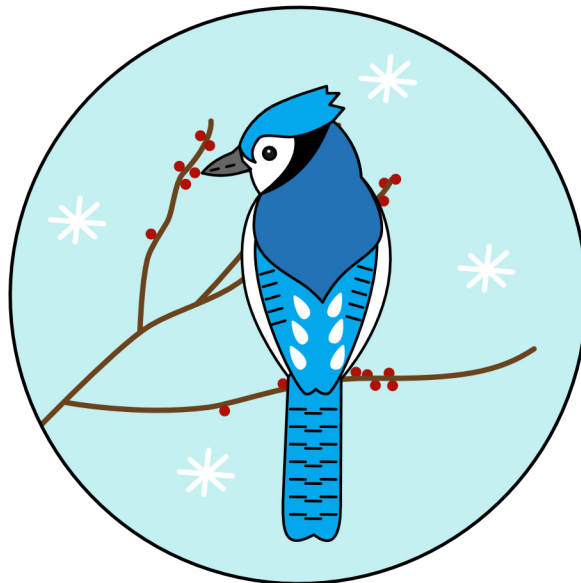
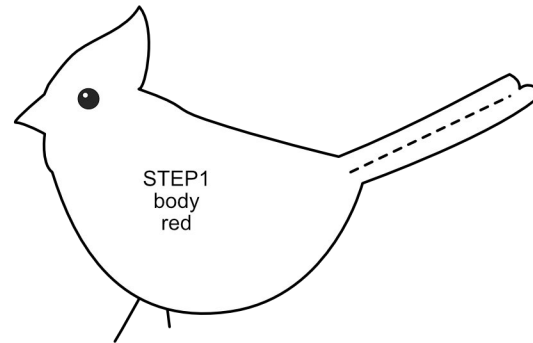
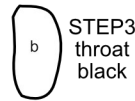


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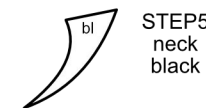
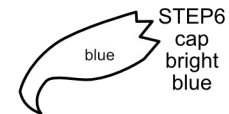
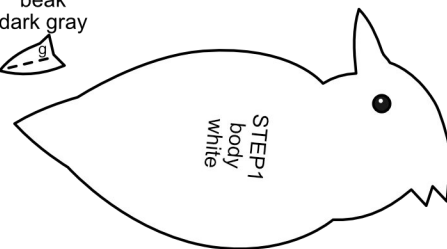
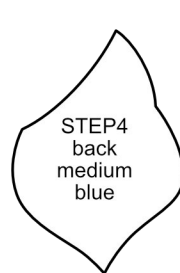
Cardinal

1. Sew the body on the background with a running stitch using one strand of red floss. Add the decorative tail stitching using two strands of black floss.
2. Sew the wing with a running stitch using one strand of red floss. Add the decorative running stitching to the wing using two strands of black floss.
3. Sew the neck on the body using one strand of black floss.
4. Sew the beak on the body with a running stitch around the edges using one strand of orange floss. Add a black running stitch for the mouth.
5. Sew the legs with two long black stitches using one strand of floss.
6. Add a black seed bead or French knot for the eye.



Blue Jay

1. Sew the body on the background with a running stitch using one strand of white floss.
2. Sew the tail on the body with a running stitch using matching colored floss. Using two strands of black floss, sew the straight stitches on the tail.
3. Sew the wing with a running stitch using one strand of matching colored floss. Sew the lazy daisy stitches using two strands of white floss. Add the straight stitches with two strands of black floss.
4. Sew the back with a running stitch around the edges using one strand of matching colored floss.
5. Sew the neck with a running stitch around the edges using one strand of black floss.
6. Sew the cap with a running stitch around the edges using one strand of matching colored floss.
7. Sew the beak with a running stitch around the edge using one strand of gray floss. Create the mouth with a black running stitch.
8. Add a black seed bead or French knot for the eye.



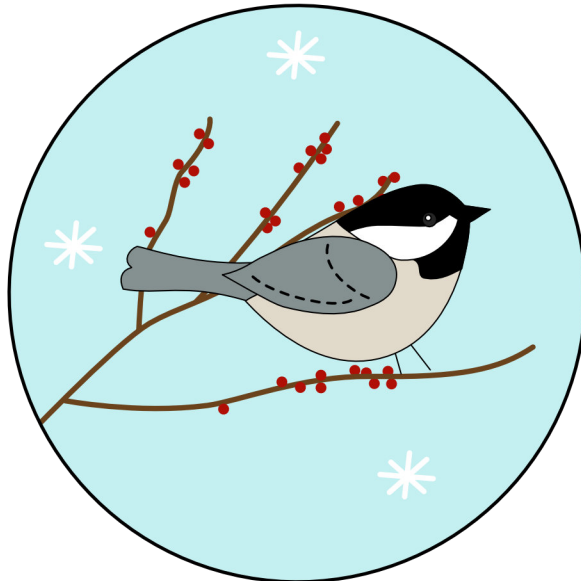
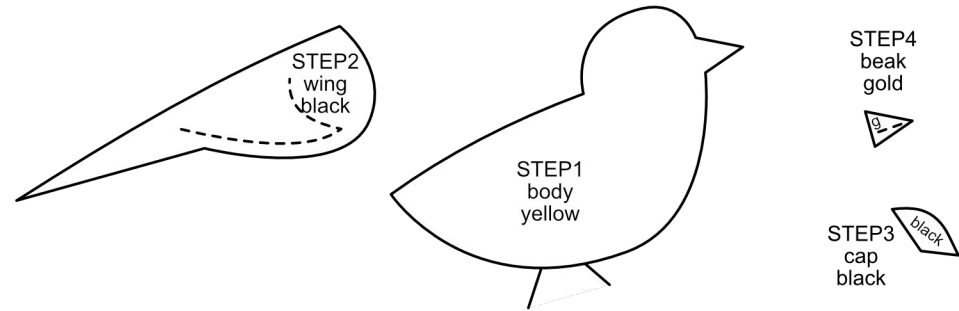
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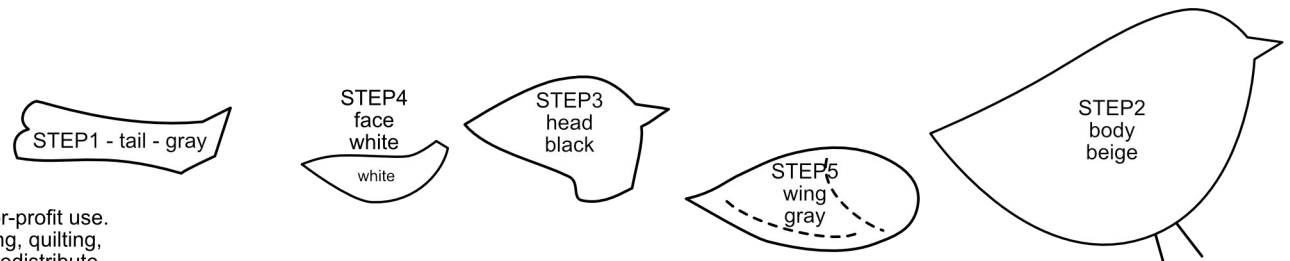
Goldfinch

1. Sew the body on the background with a running stitch using one strand of matching colored floss.
2. Sew the wing on the body with a running stitch using one strand of black floss.
3. Sew the cap with a running stitch using one strand of black floss.
4. Sew the beak with a running stitch around the edge using one strand of matching colored floss. Create the mouth with a black running stitch.
5. Sew the legs with two long black stitches using one strand of floss.
6. Add a black seed bead or French knot for the eye.



Chickadee

1. Sew the tail on the background with a running stitch using one strand of matching colored floss.
2. Sew the body on the background with a running stitch using one strand of matching colored floss.
3. Sew the head with a running stitch using one strand of black floss.
4. Sew the face with a running stitch around the edge using one strand of white floss.
5. Sew the wing with a running stitch around the edge using one strand of gray floss. Add the decorative running stitches on the wing using two strands of black floss.
6. Sew the legs with two long black stitches using one strand of floss.
7. Add a black seed bead or French knot for the eye.



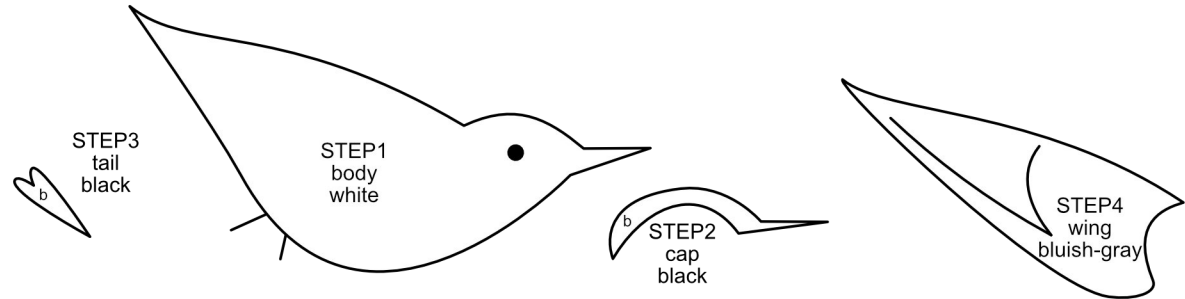
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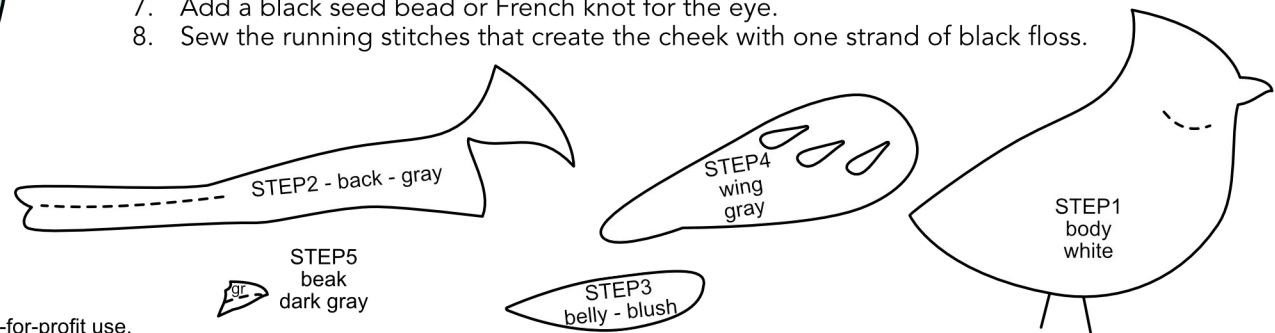
Nuthatch

1. Sew the body on the background with a running stitch using one strand of white floss.
2. Sew the cap with a running stitch using one strand of black floss.
3. Sew the tail on the body using one strand of black floss.
4. Sew the wing on the body with a running stitch around the edges using one strand of gray floss. Add the decorative back stitches to the wing using two strands of black floss.
5. Sew the legs with two long black stitches using one strand of floss.
6. Add a black seed bead or French knot for the eye.



Tufted Titmouse

1. Sew the body on the background with a running stitch using one strand of white floss.
2. Sew the back on the body with a running stitch using gray floss. Using two strands of black floss, sew the running stitches on the tail.
3. Sew the belly with a running stitch using one strand of matching colored floss.
4. Sew the wing with a running stitch using one strand of gray floss. Add the decorative lazy daisy stitches using two strands of black floss.
5. Sew the beak with a running stitch around the edge using one strand of matching colored floss. Create the mouth with a black running stitch.
6. Sew the legs with two long black stitches using one strand of floss.
7. Add a black seed bead or French knot for the eye.
8. Sew the running stitches that create the cheek with one strand of black floss.



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