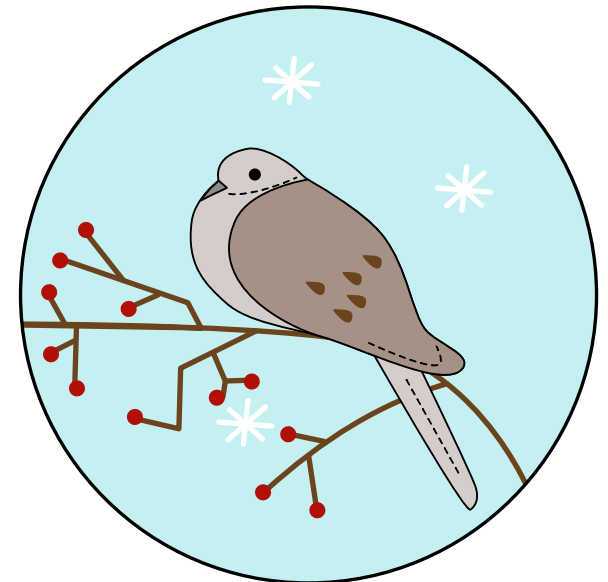
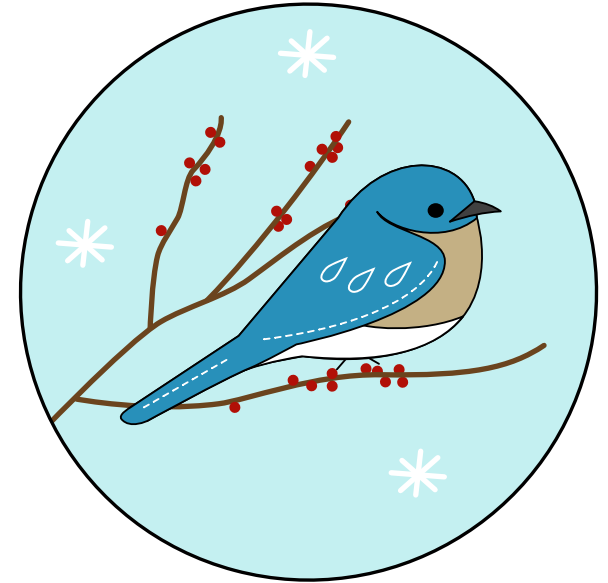
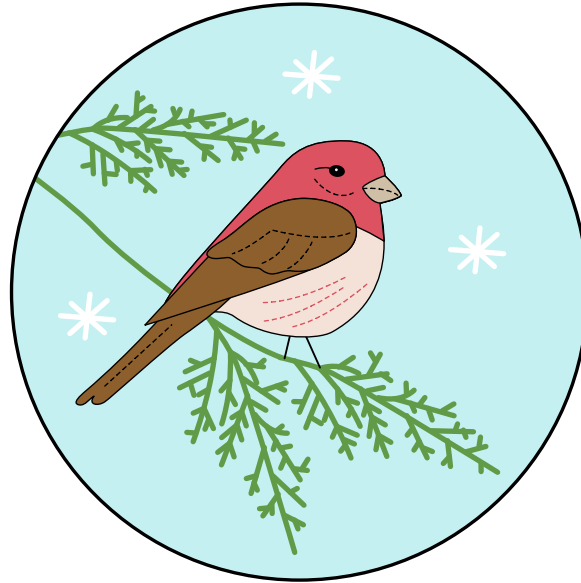


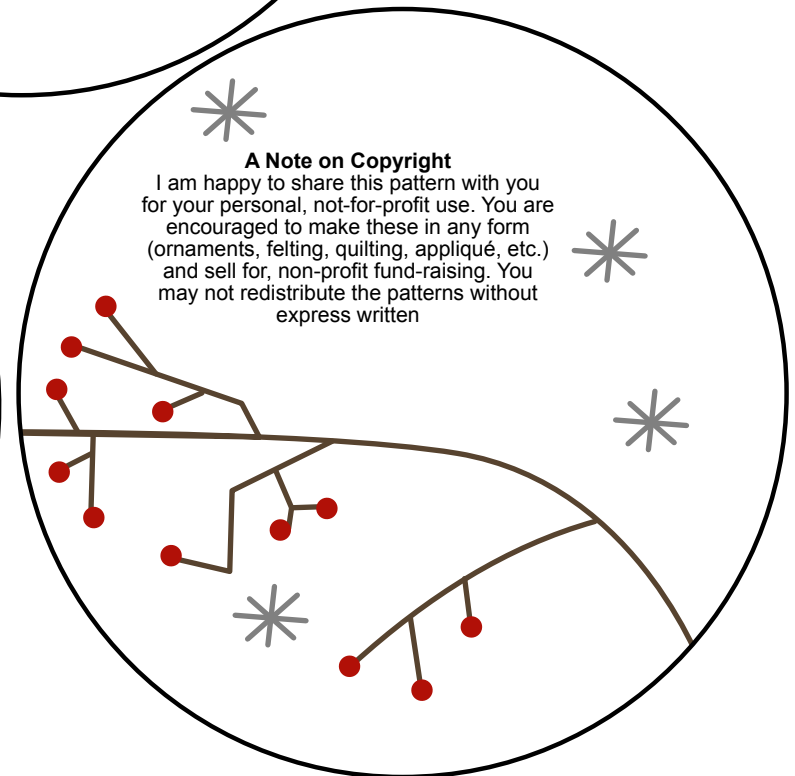
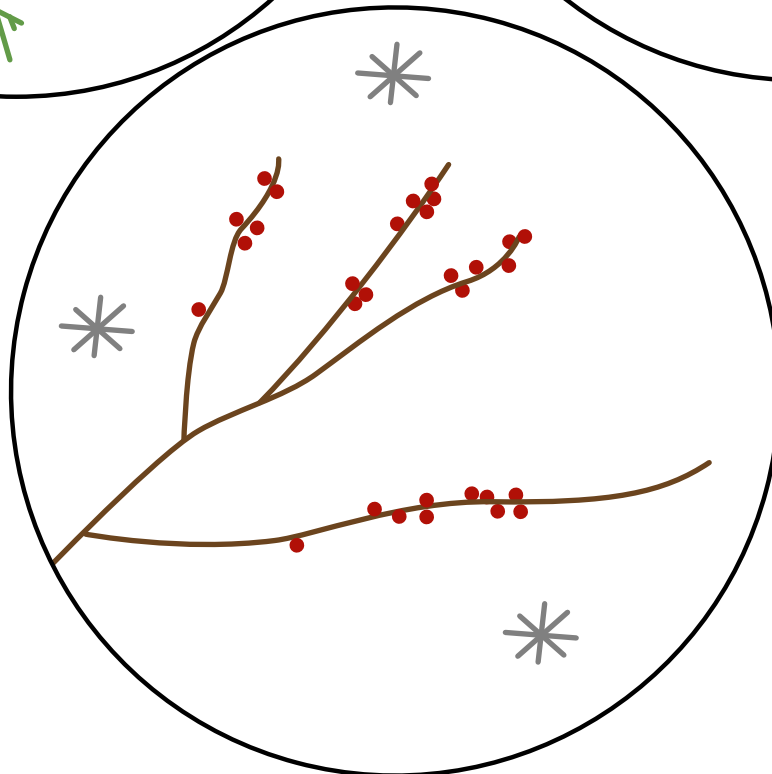
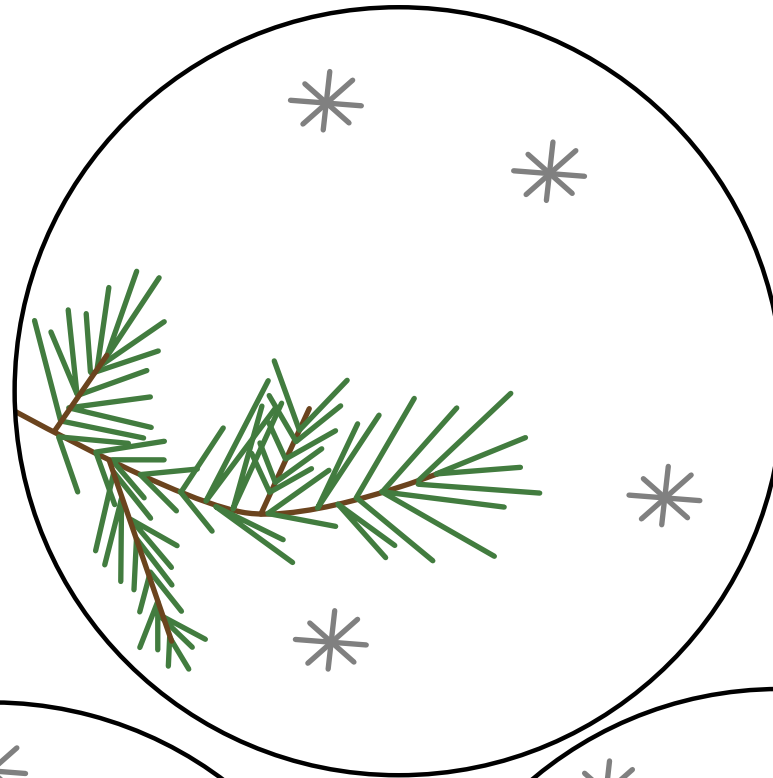
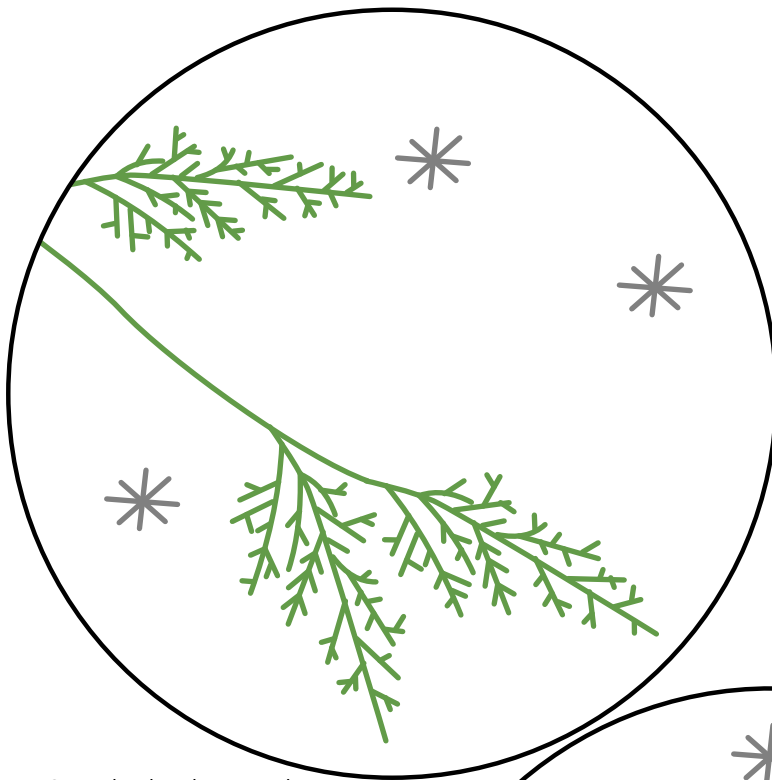
Downeast Thunder Farm Birds on Branches Christmas Ornaments - Set 2



Ornament Backgrounds

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.



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.

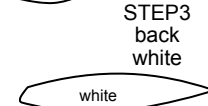
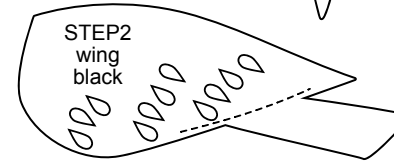
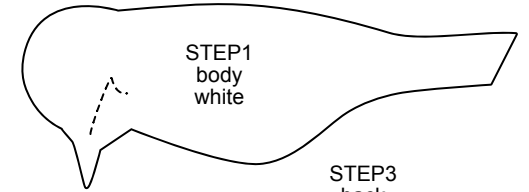
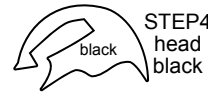
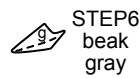
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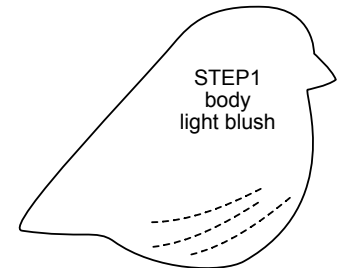
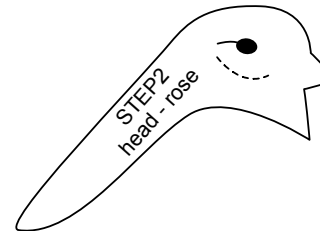
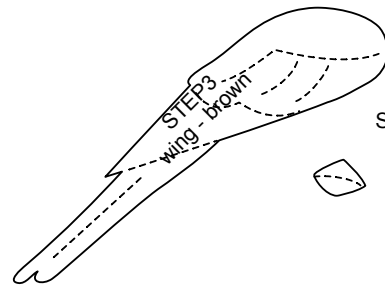
Downy Woodpecker

1. Sew the body on the background with a running stitch using one strand of red floss.
2. Sew the wing on the body with a running stitch around the edges using one strand of black floss.
3. Sew the back on the body with a running stitch using one strand of white floss.
4. Sew the head on the body with a running stitch around the edges using one strand of black floss. Add the decorative stitching that defines the cheek with one strand of black floss.
5. Sew the cap on the body with a running stitch around the edge using one strand of red floss.
6. Sew the beak on the body with a gray running stitch around the edge and black straight stitch for the mouth.
7. Sew the legs with two long black stitches using one strand of floss.
8. Add a black seed bead or French knot for the eye.



Purple Finch

1. Sew the body on the background with a running stitch using one strand of matching floss.
2. Sew the head on the body with a running stitch using matching colored rose floss. Using two strands of rose floss, sew the running stitches on the belly.
3. Sew the wing with a running stitch around the edge using one strand of brown floss. With two strands of black or darker brown floss, sew the running stitches on the wing and tail.
4. Sew the beak with a running stitch around the edges using one strand of gray floss. Create the mouth with a running stitch using one strand 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. Using two strands of black floss, add the stitch near the eye.



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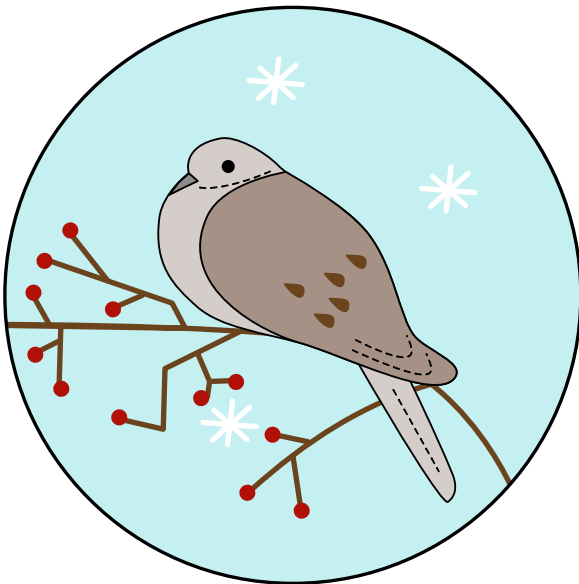
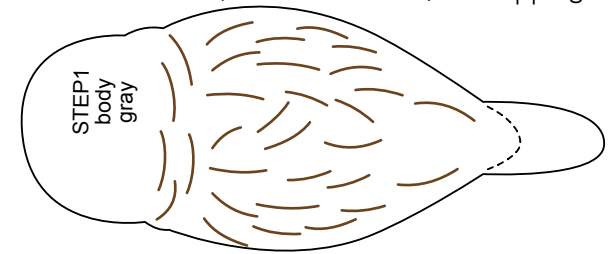
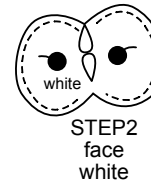


Barred Owl

For this ornament, sew the bird before sewing the branches!

1. Sew the body on the background with a running stitch using one strand of matching gray floss. Pin the face. Sew the brown backstitches on the owl's body. At the tail, using one strand of black floss, sew the running stitch that defines the tail.
2. Sew the face on the body with a running stitch around the edges using two strands of brown floss. Sew two lazy daisy stitches in the center of the face back-to-back with two strands of brown floss. Create the eyes by sewing on black seed beads of French knots. Add the stitch that creates they eye lash using two strands of black floss.
3. Position the beak and tack with matching colored floss. Alternatively, sew it with a satin stitch using two strands of gold floss.
4. Sew the branches and berries running the main branch over the owl, and the lower branch under the owl.
5. With two strands of gold/brown floss, sew the four stitches (two for each foot) overlapping the branch to create the talons.


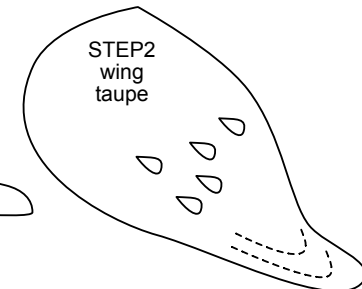
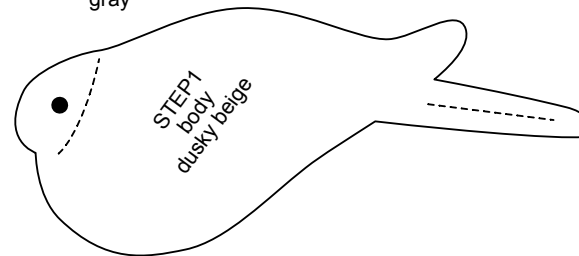
STEP3
beak
gold

Mourning Dove

1. Sew the body on the background with a running stitch using one strand of matching floss.
2. Sew the wing on the body with a running stitch using one strand of matching floss. Using two strands of brown or gray floss, sew the lazy daisy stitches on the wing. Use two strands of brown or gray floss to sew the running stitches on the tail and the curve that defines the face.
3. Sew the beak with a running stitch around the edges using one strand of gray floss or use a satin stitch to create the beak using two strands of gray floss.
4. Add a black seed bead or French knot for the eye.

STEP3
beak
gray

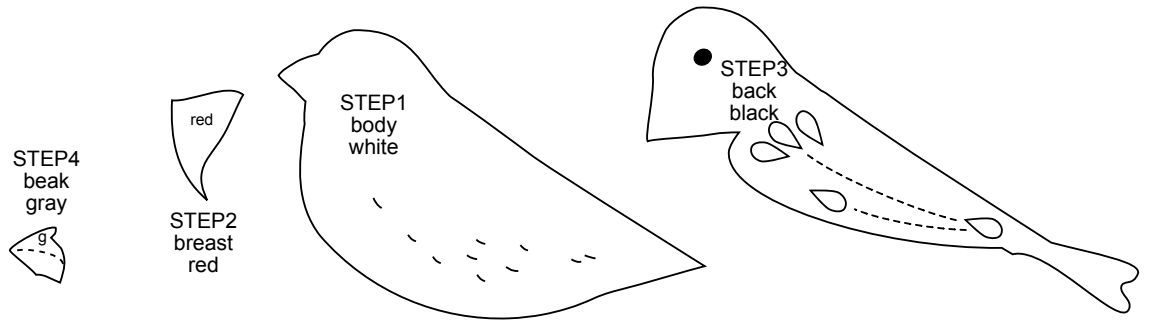
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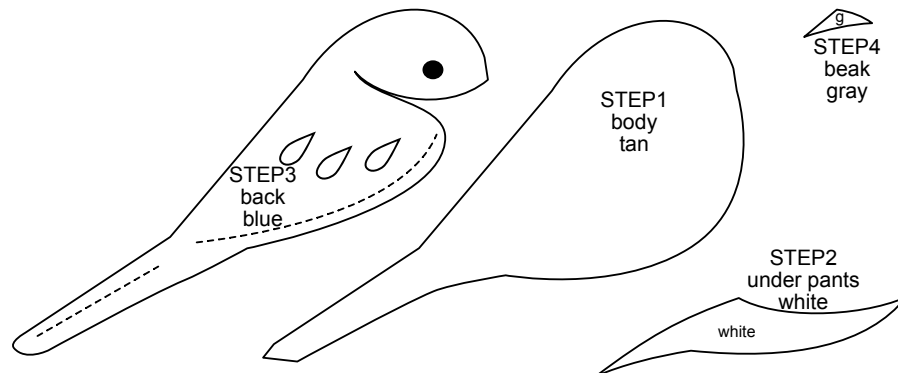
Rose-breasted Grosbeak

1. Sew the body on the background with a running stitch using one strand of white floss.
2. Sew the breast on the body (test position with back first) and sew a red running stitch around the edge with one strand of floss.
3. Sew the back on the body with a black running stitch around the edge using one strand of floss. Using two strands of white floss, sew the lazy daisy stitches and running stitches on the wing.
4. Sew the beak with a gray running stitch around the edges using one strand of floss. With one strand of black floss, sew the running stitch to form the mouth.
5. Add a black or white seed bead or French knot for the eye.



Bluebird

1. Sew the body on the background with a running stitch using one strand of matching floss.
2. Sew the underpants on the body with a running stitch using one strand of white floss.
3. Sew the back on the body with a running stitch using matching colored blue floss. Use two strands of white floss to sew the running stitches and lazy daisy stitches on the back and tail.
4. Sew the beak with a running stitch around the edges using one strand of gray floss, or use a satin stitch to create the beak using two strands of gray floss.
5. Sew the legs with two black stitches using one strand of floss.
6. Add a black seed bead or French knot for the eye.



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