

## Christmas ornament 2025

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The 2025 ornament is a delicate little square worked in Hardanger Kloster, and an open work ground inspired from the *Encyclopedia of needlework* (1886) By Therese De Dillmont.

This ornament is relatively easy to stitch and requires very little supplies, making it the perfect project for using up leftover pieces of linen, or even-weave fabric.



## For this project you will need:

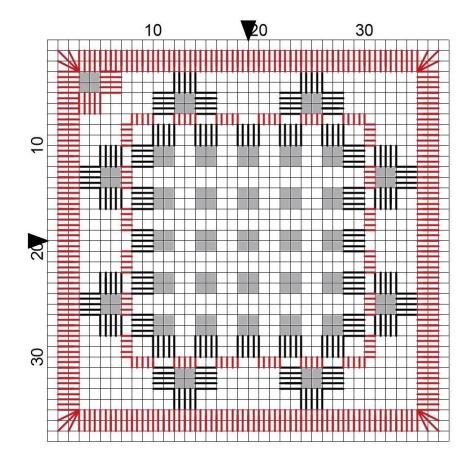
- 28ct linen/or even-weave fabric
- DMC Perle cotton size 12, and 8
- Sharp embroidery scissors
- Embroidery needle

For this project I used natural linen and white Perle cotton. These are only a suggestion, please feel free to use the colors of your choice. You can also use a higher/lower count fabric and cotton Perle, or thread, to match.

## **Instructions:**

- Start by working the Kloster blocks in Perle cotton size 12
- Next stitch the buttonhole stitch border in Perle cotton size 8
- With a sharp scissor cut the threads between the Kloster blocks.
- With Perle cotton size 12 work the diagonal pattern making a small knot on each cluster of threads. Do not pull too tight, as this will distort the fabric.
- Follow the diagram, or this short tutorial on YouTube: <u>Open work tutorial for Christmas ornament 2025</u>
- Finally, cut carefully around your ornament and attach a string or ribbon for hanging.





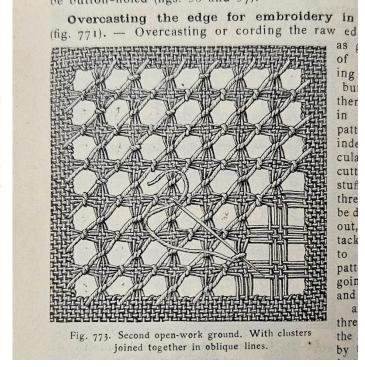
The grey areas represent the open spaces in the ornament.

The pattern is shown in two colors; this is to differentiate between where the different stitched start and end.

In the original instructions for the open-work ground, the threads are pulled tight, but for the ornament I have kept them a little loose, to prevent the fabric from getting distorted.

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