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Foreword

It's ready again—the **Christmas Catalog 2026** is here for you! Every year, this project starts as early as the summer months. Each week, we add more pages, assemble models, frame them, cut and fold fabrics, and come up with new ideas to include. The weekend before publication, I spend two full days finalizing the last texts, photos, and countless other details that still need to be done. While I handle the writing, this catalog wouldn't exist without the help of my mother, Coby, Ineke, Joan, and Krista. So, dear ladies, thank you so much for your support!

What Can You Find in This Year's Christmas Catalog?
This year, we're offering **free patterns** from three designers: **De Mère et Fille, Happiness is Heartmade, and Mani di Donna**. Noémi from **De Mère et Fille** is a new designer for our shop, and we're absolutely thrilled with her patterns. I discovered **Happiness is Heartmade** last year when I stitched one of Christi's designs—I loved it so much that I immediately asked her to contribute to this catalog. As for **Mani di Donna**, I first came across Simona's work through her beautiful hand-dyed linens. That's why, in addition to her patterns, we've also included a selection of her hand-dyed fabrics in the catalog.

The Christmas Catalog is packed with inspiration for the holidays. We have special **Christmas fabric bundles**, recipes to try during the festive season, plenty of **Christmas patterns** available in the shop and webshop, and a large shipment of **LadyDot Creates finishing materials** specifically for our **Christmas Open Days**. There are also small pieces of hand-dyed linen from **TabbyCat** for you to try. **My Fanny Designs** is back with her fantastic **Santa collection**, and so much more!

We also have a fun surprise for all fans of **Animal Crackers**: Stacy has released three new designs, which are already in the shop. We also have **Gingerbread House** and **Mary Rose Sewing Roll** available.

Webshop Update
I've made a small change to the webshop: each pattern now includes the designer's abbreviation before its name. This way, all patterns from the same designer are grouped together, making it easier to search and find what you're looking for. The webshop will reopen on **Thursday, November 19th, at 10:00 AM**.
Of course, it's much more fun and cozy to visit the shop during our **Christmas Open Days**. The entire shop will be decorated in a festive Christmas atmosphere, and you can enjoy everything from this Christmas catalog, as well as many new models. In the workshop space, we'll have our annual clearance sale (cash only). We'll also serve a cup of coffee or tea with something sweet.

Everyone will receive a **free gift** (with a purchase of €15 or more), both in the shop during our **Christmas Open Days** and with orders placed through the webshop (on November 19th, 20th, 21st, and 22nd), while supplies last. This year, we've chosen a special **project card** and **three wooden thread holders shaped like little sheep**. Or simply place one on your candle holder and enjoy it every moment, just like my mother did.

We've put a lot of love and effort into preparing this Christmas catalog, the shop, and our **Christmas Open Days**. We hope you enjoy reading this catalog, and perhaps we'll see you in the shop or connect with you online!





On behalf of the team,
Annemiek

If you see something you would like to order,
Then you can order it from Thursday, November 19 at 10:00 AM via the webshop:

https://dehandwerkboetiek.nl/cat/kerstcatalogus-2026/

All patterns, fabrics, yarns, and accessories that are limited in quantity are, as far as possible, set aside for you as quickly as possible during the Christmas Open Days.

PS: the webshop is closed until Thursday morning, November 10 at 10:00 AM so we can fully focus on all the last things that still need to be done.

Acufactum

It's been a while since we had patterns from Acufactum in the shop. For a while, the ladies focused on other forms of handicrafts, but now beautiful patterns are available again. I've made a selection of their Christmas and winter patterns and think there's something for everyone.

First, this pattern with the little bird, hedgehog, and squirrel. They look cute together, but you can see that if you stitch them separately, they are also very cute. The largest pattern is 43 x 43 crosses, so they fit perfectly in a small frame. Even on 11 threads of fabric, they are still smaller than 10 x 10 cm.





Kleine Wintertiere €11,75

Then another beautiful pattern with 5 different birds this time. You can see in the example that Acufactum stitched the middle three; the bird at the very bottom could also be nicely finished on a box. The largest bird is 56 x 60 crosses, but I'm all for stitching one and making an ornament from it. That way, you can add a Christmas bird to your Christmas tree every year for five years.

Of course, we also have the oval stitchy rings in the shop that you see in these photos. That way, you can finish your stitchy right away, which you can find further down in the Christmas catalog.





[Weihnachtsvögel €11,75]

Naast heel leuke vogeltjes en dieren hebben de dames ook heeeeeel leuke huisjes Je snapt wel dat ik die zeker mee moest te laten komen. Het Winterhaus Christrose heeft heel zachte kleuren. Ik denk dat ik de gele kleur van het huis zou vervangen door een rode kleur om het nog iets meer kerst te maken.

Besides very cute little birds and animals, the ladies also have really nice houses. You can imagine I definitely had to bring them along. Winterhaus Christrose has very soft colors. I think I would replace the yellow color of the house with a red color to make it feel a bit more Christmassy.
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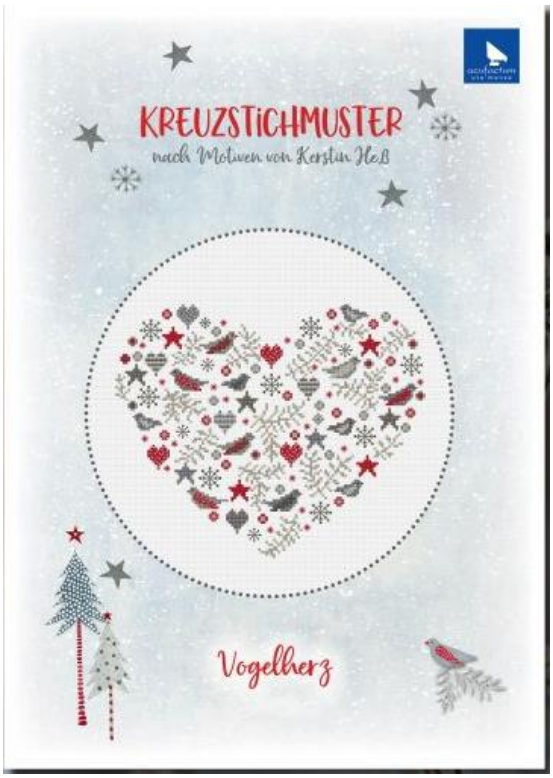




[Winterhaus Christrose €11,75]



[Winterstadt €11,75]



[Vogelherz €11,75]



[Weihnachtsbäume €11,75]

If you prefer to stitch a heart, you can get started with Vogelherz. I think it's a very stylistic pattern from which you can also use all kinds of motifs for smaller pieces. You can adjust the color of the Christmas branches to your personal favorite shade of green; if you use a slightly darker shade, it feels even more striking to me.

And then the Christmas trees, I really think this is a pattern you can do all sorts of. Stitch them separately, stitch them in a row, stitch a nine-patch from them (3 x 3 trees next to and below each

other), or just stitch them as they appear here on the pattern. At least the colors make me very happy.

The patterns are stitched with Vaupel & Heilenbeck thread, but you can download a numbering table from the Acufactum website. You can find it here.

Besides these beautiful patterns, we also ordered finishing fabrics from Acufactum especially for the Christmas Open Days. We have made a set of them again, so you have three different fabrics together. The fabrics are over 35 x 50cm, so you really have a beautiful fabric to finish various tasks with. The fabrics are also available by the meter; we sell them in strips of 25cm or multiples.



Acufactum stoffenpakketje € 11,95



From left to right:
ACU winterbesjes stof per 50 x 70cm € 8,00
ACU kerstroos stof per 50 x 70cm € 8,00
ACU roze gestreepte stof per 50 x 70cm € 8,00

Oval stitchy hoops

We have two different oval stitchy rings in the shop. The smaller one is actually mainly suitable for finishing, while the larger one can of course be used very well for stitchy. But, to be honest, I actually bought them for finishing. I liked how the birds and animals from Acufactum were housed in an oval ring so much that I thought we really had to have those at home.

Of course, you can also stitch something else, like a Christmas tree for the larger ring and all kinds of small patterns for the smaller one. That way, you really have something different. Just make sure that if you stitch something horizontally with the larger stitchy ring, you can't hang it on the screw. Then you can stick a ribbon on the back in two places. Or attach it to the fabric.



Borduurring 16,5 x 11cm € 11,95



Borduurring 8,5x6,5cm € 5,95







Annie Beez Folk Art
You've probably seen Annie Beez's pears come across before. I'm very happy with her latest release, the Christmas Pears. What a lovely trio to stitch for Christmas. Use a real pear stem for the stem, make one out of felt, or use a small twig.

Feather and Frost is, in my opinion, a beautiful ornament for Christmas. I love these Christmas colors, I also find the letters very beautiful, and those few little quaker-like motifs complete it.

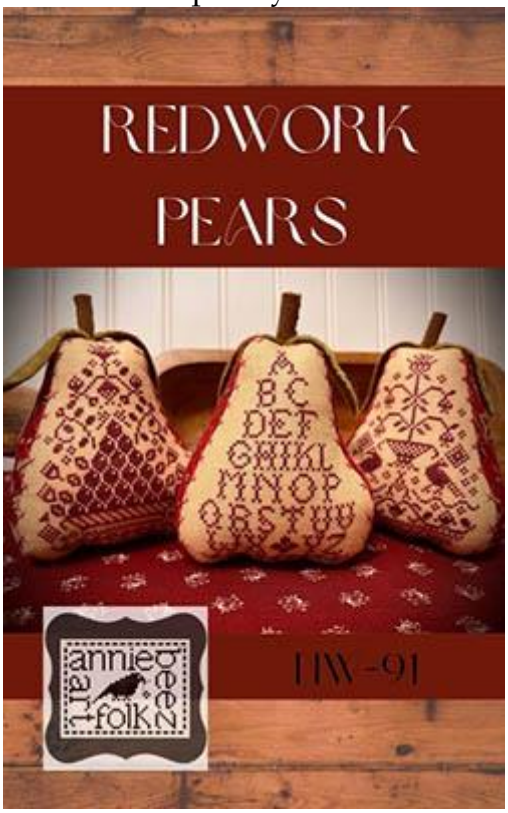


Christmas Pears € 13,95



Feathers and Frost € 13,95

Coby surprised me this year on my birthday with my first pear. It's the little tree from the Redwork Pears. As you can see, you don't have to stitch it with red thread at all, but you can also choose a completely different color combination. Which color combination would you choose?



Redwork Pears € 13,95



Artmischka Designs

Sometimes you see a pattern passing by and think, that really makes me happy. That's what I have with the Advent Calendar and Christmas Stamps from Artmischka. Cheerful colors, small motifs that together form a whole again, but that you can also use for anything and use any scrap of fabric you have left behind. The patterns are already super fun for a card, a scissors hanger, or stitch several and decorate your own mini Christmas tree. If you stitch 3x3 side by side (or 2x2 or 4x4), you get a square piece that you can then finish as a cushion, a larger ornament, or in a square frame. If you stitch them underneath each other, you can make a fun bookmark from them.





Advent Calendar €16,25

Christmas Stamps €14,75



A completely different series are the patterns Christmas Wreath, Christmas Baubles, and Christmas Stockings. These are patterns that you stitch in a color. Although, of course, you can also adjust that as you like. I think the Threadworx kit can come in very handy here. You could use the 11231 (white) if you want to stitch them completely white. But you could also stitch the sock with 1089 (red) and then the edge with 11231. Or stitch the sprigs of the middle sock with one of the green threads.

Christmas Baubles 13,95

With the Christmas Baubles, you have even more color options, but I actually find these previews really nice in one color. Besides the Threaadworx yarns, you could also choose white Sulky. Then

you know it covers nicely on, for example, 14-ply fabric. For the fabric, I would choose the 7026, which is an anthracite gray fabric that looks really nice with white, and we have it in Belfast (12.6 dr/cm), Edinburgh (14 dr/cm), and Newcastle (16dr/cm).



Christmas stockings 9,50



Christmas Wreath 9,50





Meowry Christmas 13,95

Finally, I couldn't resist bringing Meowry Christmas along. All those cute cat heads together! Poekie sees himself in the kitten to the right of center wearing the pink sweater. According to him, he has a delicate cup, and the drawing and size of the head come into its own best in this cup. Just so we know. Just grab your yarn box and stitch these cats in your favorite color combinations. Whether I would choose black fabric, I don't know, but it does create a beautiful, dramatic effect.

Barbara Ana Designs

This year we have two new patterns from Barbara Ana and two that have been out of stock for a while. I always find Barbara's patterns so cheerful. Her style might be a bit different from what you're used to, but the colors and the designs themselves are very cheerful. The Christmas Cat

would be perfect for a child's room, but I also just like it for myself. Or make a cute cat doll out of it for your Animal Crackers collection or stitch it on coarser fabric so it grows bigger.

Frosty Fir Snowman is also such a cheerful pattern; I would frame it with a passepartout that follows the shape of the pattern. Or look for a frame with a semicircular shape or turn it into a stand-up.



Christmas Cat € 13,95



Frosty Fir Snowman € 13,95

We also had Dancer in the shop years ago, and after that it was no longer possible to get the pattern through the distributor. Fortunately, we now have a stack again and you can stitch this beautiful deer. Coby finished her version very differently, so you can also adjust the shape.





Dancer € 14,75





Let it Snow € 13,95

My mother stitched Let it Snow, and I still think it's a fantastic pattern. The whole idea behind the pattern, the key, the motifs on top, the pendants—I think it's very well thought out and designed. This is also one of those stitchy pieces you can just leave hanging in January. Or use the small motifs for the bobbin with the block band, so you can use them twice.

Cosford Rise Stitchery

This new designer for us has some really cute Christmas patterns. I'm crazy about the Happy Christmas to All. That's partly because there are little houses on it, but I get such a warm feeling when I look at this pattern. Santa has just arrived and is already on his way to the next village. Lights are burning in the houses downstairs and the children are enjoying their presents. Or parents do one last check to see if everything is ready for Christmas morning. I really like the edge, not just a simple cross-stitch, but there are holly leaves on it. I think the white of the snow is a bit of a push-up, but if you stitch a piece of it every day, one day it will be finished too..



Happy Christmas To All €13,95

The two cushions are exactly my style: elongated, narrow cushions that you can put anywhere in between. I think I would leave a bit less space above and below the stitched material so the cushion becomes even narrower. It could also work very well as a band around a glass (cookie) jar. You simply stitch the patterns with DMC and can choose your own fabric.



January Basket €9,50



December Basket €9,50

In these noisy times, I found these two cushions very fitting, and they really radiate a calming atmosphere. What I really like is that you also get 2 mini ornaments included. That way, you can get started and enjoyed. You can also use the Threadworx yarn set for the green colors here. Or just stitch that little fox and put it in a mini frame.



All is Calm, All is Bright € 11,75

I especially laughed at the name of the second Santa Claus in this pattern, Uncle Holly. What fun Santas they are together, with all those little animals around them. You can stitch the patterns with DMC and especially choose your own favorite colors for the Santas' jacket.



Father Christmas And Uncle Holly € 11,75

Crocette a Gogo
A Christmas catalog isn't complete without Michaela's Christmas patterns from Crocette a Gogo. Last year I stitched Little Fox, and you can now see it in the shop. Coby finished it on a square canvas and mounted a pendant on the back. I think the fabric underneath really fits perfectly. And now my fingers are itching to start Little Racoon, what a cute raccoon that is.



Actually, all the patterns in the Little series are super fun. We've already stitched quite a few: the cat, the chicken, the penguin, and the rabbit. You can also see Little Penguin in the shop, and we made a cushion out of it. Because I stitched Little Fox on coarser fabric, it turned out a bit larger, and now we've started a new series of finishes on canvas. Little Snowman or Little Racoon are really strong contenders to be shown as the next shop model. If you're still looking for other Little patterns, they're on the Crocette a Gogo page.



Little Racoon and red apple €10,95



Little Fox and blue scarf €10,95

Crocette a Gogo has also started a series that you can finish as a "figure." Very fitting for this time is Dove - stitch and stuff. A peace dove in soft colors is what the world could use right now. And if you prefer to use other colors, you could also choose 2-3 shades of gray-blue, for example, instead of the pink tones in the dove's body. That immediately gives a very different effect.



Dove – Stitch and Stuff €10,95



Black Cat – Stitch and Stuff € 10,95

Besides this dove, we also have a cute Halloween cat in the shop, which I think is fantastic. Truly a stubborn cat who thinks the whole world should adapt to him/her. I would use my beloved Threadworx 11213 for the body, which gives a more lively effect.

Last year, Tiny Village was a big success, and I found it a lovely pattern to stitch. Just enough colors to create nice transitions, but not enough to overwhelm me. On 16-thread fabric, it fit perfectly into a 10x10 frame, and it's still one of the projects I really enjoy. Other patterns in this Tiny Village series are also back in stock, so you can start with the spring or summer version.




Tiny Village € 8,50

Christmas Recipe 1: Lemon Crumb Squares

Ingrediënten

1. 175 g flour
2. 110 g oats (old-fashioned, coarse oats)
3. 1/2 teaspoon salt
4. 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
5. 100 g caster sugar
6. 100 g light brown brown sugar
7. 170 g unsalted butter, melted
8. 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
9. 1 can (400 g) sweetened condensed milk
10. 1 tablespoon lemon zest
11. 80 ml of Citroensap
12. 2 large egg yolks
13. 1/2 teaspoon lemon essence



Preparation method

1. Preheat the oven to 175 °C. In a medium bowl, mix the flour, oats, salt, and baking powder. Add the white sugar and brown sugar and stir until no sugar granules remain.
2. Add the vanilla extract to the melted butter and pour this mixture over the dry ingredients. Stir with a spoon until the mixture is evenly moistened.
3. Sprinkle half of the crumb mixture into the bottom of a greased 20 x 20 cm baking dish and press gently into an even layer. Bake in the preheated oven for 15 minutes. Remove from the oven and set aside (leave the oven at 175 °C).
4. In a mixing bowl, whisk the sweetened condensed milk, lemon zest, lemon juice, egg yolks, and lemon flavoring until smooth. Pour this mixture over the crumb base in the baking dish and spread evenly.
5. Sprinkle the rest of the crumb mixture evenly over the top. Bake in the preheated oven for 23-26 minutes, until the top is golden brown.
6. Remove from the oven and let cool at room temperature. Once cooled, cover and refrigerate for at least 30 minutes to 1 hour (personally, I prefer it cold).
7. Cut into cubes. Shop in an airtight container in the refrigerator.







De Mère en fille
We are so happy to introduce a new designer again in this Christmas catalog. Noémie is the creative mind behind De Mère en Fille (from mother to daughter). When I saw the patterns, I was immediately enthusiastic and also very excited to be able to add another European designer to our assortment.

This is what Noémie herself says about her designs: "Because cross-stitch stitchy and the charm of antique stitchy are my passion, I draw much of my inspiration from the American countryside and the primitive styles I love so much.

I like to create designs with a playful and nostalgic atmosphere, featuring charming little characters, animals, and seasonal motifs. Autumn and Christmas are two of my favorite themes! With my designs, I try to capture the warmth and authenticity of old-fashioned stitchy, with a preference for muted, aged colors, simple motifs, and a touch of poetry.

My greatest joy is bringing my ideas to life and sharing my warm and timeless world with other stitchy enthusiasts."

It was hard to choose a real favorite, because I could start with all the patterns that way. My common sense says that's not such a good idea, so I started with Magie de Noël first. I already really liked the colors, and of course you can adjust the yarn on the bobbins to your own favorite yarn. Also fun to do: make long stitches over the crosses so it looks like there's real yarn on the bobbin.

Mon Bonhomme is more of a Christmas pillow, I think, and La Magie de Noël is, of course, very much so. All those stitchy accessories make it a very fitting pattern for us stitchy lovers.


La magie de Noël €12,50


Mon bonhomme €12,50

For the shop, Coby stitched and finished Joie de l'hiver as you can see in the photo. Of course, with her own Coby finish. We think it's such a fun model.





Joie de l'hiver €12,50

We're staying in the winter spirit for a while longer and have both two snowmen for you and a cute winter pillow. What I like about these winter patterns is that you can still leave them on in January and February.



Snowman & friends €12,50



Sweet snowman €12,50



L'hiver est là €12,50.

And then two very cute little birds, I couldn't resist including them in the Christmas catalog. For me, they are the ideal patterns to make a needle book; they are square and I also find them very fitting.


Cardinal Brodeur €12,50


L'oiseau bleu €12,50

Gratis patroontje van De Mère en Fille
Noémie heeft speciaal voor ons een kerstornamentje ontworpen dat we met je kunnen delen. Ik vind het zo'n lief patroontje. Zelf heeft ze het op 16 draads stof geborduurd, maar dat hoeft natuurlijk niet, kies vooral stof die jij mooi vindt en goed kunt zien.

The free patterns are exclusive to subscribers of our newsletter. If you are not yet a subscriber, you can sign up here. You will then receive an email with a confirmation link and then another email with the link to the page on the website where you can download the Christmas catalog with patterns.

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Create your own Christmas roll: wooden spool with banding
Do you recognize that? You come across all kinds of fun Christmas motifs and actually want to stitch them all, but don't know exactly what to do with all those little motifs. We've come up with something for that.

For this Christmas Open Days, we have packages with wooden bobbins that come with a one-meter ribbon. This ribbon has blocks measuring 5x5cm, and you can stitch those small motifs perfectly on them. Select your own color palette and stitch the patterns one below the other. You can attach the ribbon to the bobbin and then you have all those fun patterns together, without any complicated finishing.

You can choose from different banding colors (while supplies last), namely natural/green, natural/red, and natural/white checkered. The spool is unprocessed wood and can also be colored, see the photo. This way, you can make your very own Christmas roll out of it. If you thread a ribbon through the spool, you can also hang the whole thing up and display the entire Christmas roll with motifs.

The package contains 1 clear wooden spool and a 5cm wide one-meter banding.



From left to right:
Klosje met naturel/rood band € 5,95
Klosje met naturel/groen band € 5,95
Klosje met naturel/wit band € 5,95

Happiness is Heartmade – interview

Last year I spoke with Christi at the Needlework Marketplace fair and we talked about her patterns. I feel like not everyone sees what you can do with them. Partly I think it's because there are no stitched patterns on the front, which gives a different impression of the pattern. So I thought, I'll ask if she wants to do an interview with us, and then I'll put that in this Christmas catalog so everyone can see how fun these patterns are. By the way, you can regularly see stitched patterns of hers in her Facebook group, made by other stitchy enthusiasts.



Can you tell us a bit more about yourself and how you got into the design business?
I began cross stitching in my early teenage years, and began creating cross stitch designs for my own use when I was in my early twenties. Then about 20 years ago, I began creating Christmas and Bible verse designs and started selling them. Designing was a small part of my life for quite a while as I worked a regular full-time job, but a few years ago I began designing regularly, and I am very glad that I did.

What is your favorite design and why?
One of my favorite designs is Pomegranate Alphabet Sampler. I love the whole design—the colors, the layout, and the alphabets. Beekeeping Crows is a close second. We grow sunflowers in our yard each year, so I love including them in my designs. Both are designs that I really enjoyed creating.

What do you do besides designing?
When I am not designing or cross stitching, I enjoy taking long drives on quiet country roads. I especially enjoy exploring different places and seeing what is along the way. I have also played the piano since I was young.

What is the biggest change you saw in the industry in the past 5 years?
Cross stitch seems to have grown in popularity over the past several years, and I have noticed more people stitching and discovering the hobby. It is encouraging to see the interest in cross stitch continue to grow and to be able to contribute my own designs to it.

What is the latest project that you stitched?
The most recent project I stitched was the model for an upcoming Christmas design featuring birds. It has a folk-art-inspired look, and I really enjoyed stitching it.

Where do you get your ideas from?
I enjoy coming up with new and interesting ideas. Inspiration can come from almost anywhere. I might see an old sampler or an antique chart in a book, notice an interesting color combination, see an old house or drive by a scene that inspires an idea, or begin with a Bible verse. Sometimes I have a particular idea I want to turn into a pattern, or I might see something and think it would make a nice theme for a cross stitch design.

Where can we find you on social media?
You can find me on Facebook at Happiness Is HeartMade, and also the Cat Tales Collection, which has its own separate page.
I am also on Instagram at @happinessisheartmade.
Website: https://happinessisheartmade.com
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/HappinessIsHeartMadeCrossStitch
Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/happinessisheartmade/



Happiness is Heartmade – free graph
What a lovely pattern to start stitching. You can really use the Threadworx yarn kit for this, and I always like to add a gold thread; for that, I use my beloved Petite Treasure Braid PB 03.

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Happiness is Heartmade – Christmas charts

It won't surprise you that at first I was mainly drawn to these patterns because of the amazing cat patterns. She used her mother's cat as a model for this, and Poekie thought that was a really good idea.



Cat With Holly And Ornaments €9,50



Sew Merry Snowmen €13,95

You can stitch the cat ornament above very well with your own favorite colors, and I love using the Petite Treasure Braid PB03 for the Christmas baubles. That adds an extra Christmas touch to the pattern. And I'll say it again, the Threadworx kit is perfect for the cat, the holly leaves, and all the red crosses you need to stitch 😊.

The snowmen are really my favorite; if I had had time, I would have started with one. So what's my idea? I would stitch them separately and then attach them to a bobbin with a needle. Actually, just like Bobbin by Stacy Nash. That sounds so fun to me. And then you have three together right away. An added advantage is that you can just leave them after Christmas and only have to put them away in February.

A very different style of Christi's patterns are these two snow crystals. It's a combination of cross-stitch and stitches. Here too, you can really use the Threadworx kit. And then go wild, you can add beads, you can add a metallic thread, you can stitch just the snow crystal and finish it like a crystal—there are so many possibilities. Or use the corner motifs and stitch an initial in the center for a very special Christmas gift.



Christmas Snowflake: Holly and Pine € 9,50



Christmas Snowflake €7,25

And for all cat lovers, here are two more patterns with the famous black-and-white cat. All the suggestions I've already made can be fully added here. The patterns are perfect for your own color palette and beads, a charm, or maybe even a small wooden Christmas ornament—you can add them all.



Cat And Cardinal Christmas €9,50



December Cat €9,50

Heart in Hand Needleart

I'm a big fan of the Tiny Town series and was soooo happy when I saw Cecilia had designed a new Christmas Tiny Town. This Gingerbread Tiny Town almost makes you smell the Christmas cookies. To make sure I had the patterns in time for our Christmas Open Days, I asked Cecilia to send the patterns to Dyeing to Stitch when I was there for the retreat. That turned out to be much easier than I thought, because Cecilia was the guest speaker during lunch and personally handed them over! Now that I'm writing this, I think it would have been nice if I had a photo of it, but yeah, at that moment I didn't think of it at all.

Cecilia outdid herself this year and surprised us again with an amazing Tiny Town for the holidays. This time she released Gingerbread Tiny Town with a matching Gingerbread Frill. I really love this series. The houses mostly have the color of your favorite cookie, and the roofs have very elegant edges that you would otherwise apply to your gingerbread with icing. Special peppermint lollipops can also be found in this small town. And you can choose to stitch the Frill separately and, for example, make a pincushion from it. But you can also add it to your Tiny Town so the village gets a little bigger.

Of course, the Gingerbread Tiny Town also has a Frill, and you can either stitch it separately or just add it to your Tiny Town, and it gets even bigger. Every time I see them, I find it a dilemma whether to finish it like a pindrum, or just stretch it out so you can see all the houses. What would you choose?



[Gingerbread Tiny Town €14,75]



[Gingerbread frill €7,25]

All Tiny Towns are finished in two ways: as an elongated pattern on a board and then covering that board with fabric, then stretching your stitchy piece onto a separate piece of cardboard. Or

you can choose to finish it as a pindrum. Our 10cm cardboard pieces are ideal for finishing. If you choose a pindrum, you have a circle just large enough for the bottom and top on 12.6 threads of linen. If you are going to stitch it on 11 threads of fabric, you could use an 11cm circle.

Personally, I wouldn't stitch these Tiny Towns on finer fabric, no matter how much I like that. That's because the Tiny Towns are relatively long but not tall. The pattern is 30 crosses high. So if you stitch on 12.6 threads of fabric, that's 5cm. I think if you choose even finer fabric, the details of the pattern get a bit lost. But I'm happy to be convinced otherwise: if you've stitched a Tiny Town on finer fabric, feel free to email me a photo.



Besides the Gingerbread Tiny Town and Frill, I also brought the annual Santa Claus. What a cheerful Santa this is, surrounded by Christmas flowers and little birds. An Animal Cracker voice in my head then says, it would be great to stitch it separately and finish it as an Animal Cracker or a stand-up. It turns out I find it increasingly difficult to ignore that little voice.

Wee Santa 2026 € 9,95

Christmas recipe 2: Hearty Wholewheat Pasta With Brussels Sprouts, Cheese and Potatotrecept

I was actually looking for the recipe for my mother's famous soup she made when the shop was still on the farm. But then I came across this recipe and thought, it actually looks delicious. Not just for Christmas, but for the whole winter. I'm definitely going to make it this winter.



My big cooking idol Nigella Lawson couldn't be missing from the Christmas catalog. I've cooked several of her recipes, and they're all actually delicious. I think it's a really nice meal when you come back from a walk in the winter cold. Prepare it in advance and then put it straight into the oven when you're back home. I think it's wonderful to make a fresh, green salad with it.

Ingredients for 4 people:
750 g Brussels sprouts (sliced)
250 g potatoes (diced 2-3 cm)
500 g whole wheat pasta (e.g. Penne)
a pinch of salt
100 g ricotta
250 g gruyere (diced 1 cm)

For the sage butter:
50 g unsalted soft butter
4 sage leaves (finely chopped)

50 g Parmesan cheese (grated)

Instructions:
1. Preheat the oven to 200 degrees and bring a large pot of water to a boil.
2. When the water boils, add the salt, Brussels sprouts, potatoes, and pasta.
3. Bring the water back to a boil and cook everything for about 8-10 minutes or until the potatoes and pasta are almost cooked. Save 2 large coffee mugs with the cooking liquid and drain the rest.
4. After draining, put the potato, pasta, and Brussels sprouts in a baking dish. (about 25 x 35 cm in size).
5. Now add the ricotta and the gruyere and 1 coffee mug of boiling water and stir well. Add more liquid if everything seems too dry.
6. Now heat the butter and oil in a small pan and add the sage when it starts to sputter. After 30 seconds, you can spread the mixture over the casserole.
7. Now cover the casserole with Parmesan cheese and bake in the oven for 20 minutes.
8. Take the dish out of the oven and let it sit for 10 minutes before eating.

PS: also handy if you want to serve a vegetarian meal. Of course, you can also adjust the cheese and ricotta to alternatives.

Jeannette Douglas Designs

Since the beginning of this year, Jeannette's daughter has also been working in her company and she has created a new layout for her patterns. I think it looks amazing and it fits perfectly with this era. And leave it to Jeannett to design some Christmas patterns that have something for everyone.

Peaceful Pines is the large pattern that uses special stitches. I love it. Jeannette explains the stitches super clearly, and as you stitch your way, you learn a few new stitches. You can also use the motifs from this pattern very well for smaller projects, for cards, pincushions, or scissor hangers.

And then the Christmas Pyn Pillows, I'm really totally crazy about them. I love these little projects, and what I really like is that you can just place your yarn box next to you and use the colors you have in your yarn box. Of each color, you only need a small piece of yarn, so use what you have. And you can easily use a different color of red or green per pillow, for example. Or maybe you have leftover yarn from a kit, then this is the ideal pattern to decorate it.

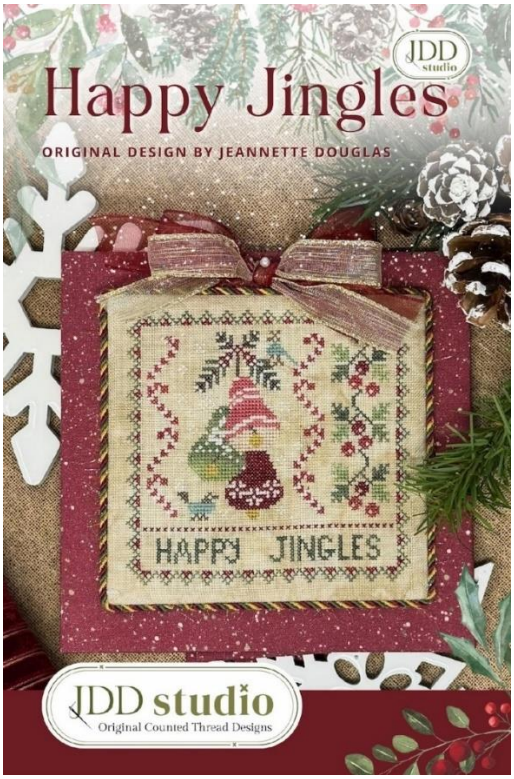


[Christmas Pyn Pillows €9,50]

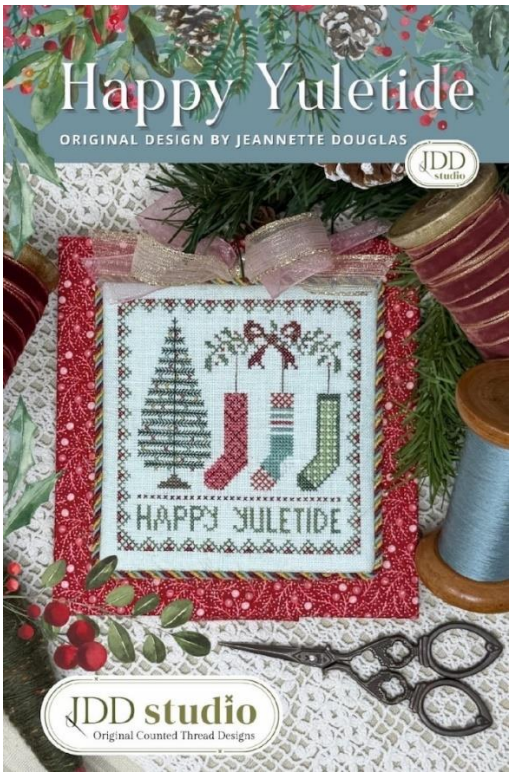


[Peaceful Pines €20,75]

With the patterns, you can of course make the small cushions, but you could also stitch them side by side and then around a glass storage container and bake delicious Christmas cookies to put inside. Or stitch 2x2 next to or under each other and frame it in a square frame. Or make a Christmas pin cushion out of it. But to be honest, I'm really a fan of the small cushions. And secretly I hope Jeannette will make a whole series out of them too. First all seasons, then all holidays, then I want to have cat pin cushions and sheep. It's a good thing she can decide that herself.



[Happy Jingles €13,95]



[Happy Yuletide €13,95]

Happy Yuletide and Happy Jingles are cheerful little patterns that are perfect for framing in a square frame. Or make a nice little cushion out of it. Of course, you can adapt the text to, for example, Merry Christmas. Or stitch the year in this spot and add a motif to the left and right of it.

Fabric kit Jobelan and Aida

All those fun patterns you see in the Christmas catalog naturally need a nice fabric to stitch them on. This year we have a Jobelan Christmas fabric kit and an Aida fabric kit with the basic colors.

We also enjoyed incorporating the basic colors Aida into a fabric kit. The kit contains three 40x50cm patches in white, antique white, and ecru, and the fabric has 5.5 skeins/cm. The patches are large enough that you can also use them for, for example, a frame. Or use them to color the Aida yourself and place them in a coffee or tea bath. Keep in mind that it is 100% cotton, so if the water is too hot, the fabric shrinks slightly.



Aida stoffenpakketje € 10,95

The Jobelan package consists of five different fabrics, each measuring approximately 25 x 35cm. To stay fully in the Christmas spirit, we chose Christmas red, beige, white, ice blue, and Christmas green. This 11-strand fabric is very comfortable to work with, easy to see, and the threads are evenly woven. Choose your favorite pattern and get started with one of these fabrics.





Jobelan stoffenpakketje € 13,95

Santa's Secret Satchel



Good news for everyone who hasn't ordered the Santa's Secret Satchel yet, we still have a few surprise packs left. We had so much fun coming up with a theme, figuring out what would go into the Satchel, and then ordering and admiring everything once it arrived.

The Satchel is a surprise package, so we ask you not to post the content on social media before December 1st. Then it remains a surprise for everyone what's inside.

The price for the Satchel is €59.95, which includes shipping within the Netherlands. For outside of the Netherlands, please contact me. Please note that it cannot be sent through the mailbox and we cannot send it with another order. You can order the Santa's Secret Satchel here in the webshop, at = on.

Kathy Barrick

Kathy has released another beautiful new Christmas stocking, the Quaker Stocking & Sampler. Of course, the dark blue base does a lot to make the whole stand out beautifully, but let's be honest. Not everyone can stitch on fine, dark fabric. And that's what's so nice about this Christmas stocking—there aren't many colors in it, so you can easily match it to your own favorite colors. Or look at the colors in your interior and let it match them.

Now we do have the beautiful color Windor Castle by TabbyCat Linens, which has a slightly more brown/dark gray color, but if you want a dark background, it would be very nice. Or think of the color Espresso, then you get a very warm overall look. But as mentioned, this pattern also works well on lighter surfaces.

I also have the Quaker House Stocking & Sampler in the shop again; I love houses myself and am considering whether this will be my project for 2027. And maybe even for 2028. Then I can stitch it at my own pace. I just have to decide beforehand whether to make a Christmas stocking out of it or the sampler.



[Quaker Stocking & Sampler €20,75]



[Quaker House Stocking & Sampler 20,75]

Besides these two Christmas stockings, we also have Merry Christmas in the shop. It just makes me happy, all those little birds, but especially that Christmas tree with all the animals inside. Maybe I would stitch the Christmas tree separately and finish it like the trees from Hello from Liz Mathews. That would make a very special little animal tree.



[Merry Christmas €13,95]

Kersttijdschrift

We also have the annual Christmas magazine from Just Cross Stitch with 60 Christmas ornaments in the shop. It's one of the nicest magazines to have at home; you get not only the 60 patterns but also explanations about stitches and finishing. I think it's a treat every year to have the magazine back and to be completely inspired by the patterns.



I've already spotted favorites on the front: that blue Santa Claus, the little rabbit, the cat with the hat, and the rocking horse in the foreground

Just Cross Stitch kersttijdschrift 2026 € 16,00

LadyDot Creates

We received a large box from LadyDot full of the most beautiful velveteen and some pompoms and rick racks that I liked for this time of year. Lois no longer works with our distributor, so we will order from her ourselves a few times a year. I will mention that again in the newsletter. For now, you can first enjoy these beautiful finishing materials.

I chose more traditional Christmas colors like deep red, dark brown, blue, and black, but also warm brown tones like chocolate, nutmeg, and potato. You can also use those for, for example, patterns with brand patch patterns.

Velveteen afmeting per lapje is 22,5 x 45cm.



2 May Toe € 13,95



Bittersweet € 13,95



[Brownies € 13,95]



[Chocolate € 13,95]



[Chili € 13,95]



[Mushroom € 13,95]



[Navy Bean € 13,95]



[Nutmeg € 13,95]



Pea Pod € 13,95



Pepper € 13,95



Potatot € 13,95



Vintage € 9,50

Besides the Velveteen, I also ordered pompoms, I think you get the colors, well, Jack is a bit of an outsider, but I thought, if anyone has an autumn or Halloween project that needs pompoms, then that's a good one too.



Jack € 9,50



Pinki € 9,50



Polar Ice € 9,50



Snow € 9,50



Sizzle € 9,50



Vintage € 9,50

And if you prefer to use Rick Rack, you can choose from these colors.



Bittersweet € 9,50



Snow € 9,50

In the shop, you'll find a few pompoms, chenille, and rick racks. After the open days, I'll see if I can add those to the webshop, so you can choose from those as well.

Lindner

This year we have two amazing Lindner Christmas patterns in the shop. I keep loving it so much that, besides all the patterns you get, they also give a lot of inspiration for all kinds of ways to use the patterns. Of course, you can stitch everything on one piece, but honestly, I like all those applications more. But yes, I also like the smaller pieces.

This year you can choose between Frosty Christmas which has more shades of brown/green/blue or Pink Christmas, as it already says, which is mostly pink/red. The winter scene and Santa Claus are my favorites from Frosty Christmas. So fun to finish that Santa in an stitched ring.

Pink Christmas simply has cozy pink/red colors, and although I'm a big fan of truly red Christmas colors, I think this combination is beautifully chosen. Here too, you get all kinds of suggestions for using the motifs; on the back of the pattern, there are even more. The corner patterns shown here can also be very well used for a Christmas blanket, just like the branch with pine cones and ornaments you see in the bottom left.

Everything is stitched with DMC thread, and of course, you can choose the fabric you like most to stitch.



[Frostige Weihnacht €8,95]



[Pink Christmas €8,95]

Madame Chantilly
This year there are two cute Christmas patterns from Madame Chantilly. I think the toy cargo train is very well thought out. You'll probably see a little train passing through your house on Christmas morning. For Santa Claus and all the other red, you can easily use your Threadworx 1089 included in the Threadworx kit. You can tell, this is really my favorite go-to color for Christmas red. And also consider stitching the elements separately for ornaments or Christmas cards. You can easily use that Christmas tree for a Christmas ornament. The edge at the top is also very suitable for a guest cloth. Personally, I think I would find another solution for the white block with Xmas, or rather, I would just leave it out. That's always an option, right? If you don't think something fits well in a pattern, just leave it out.



Cargo of Toys €16,25

The other pattern, Christmas Delivery, is part of a series that's been going on for a while. We've had all the seasons and now this Christmas version. I love stitching sheep anyway, so I really liked this sheep variant from the Bremen town musicians. The same goes for these sheep, you can stitch them separately just fine. Very funny, but even with this pattern I wonder if I would stitch the edge underneath. I think that border is very beautiful, but maybe for something else. I recently saw someone on Instagram stitching the napkin rings, and they're perfect for that. Anyway, the point is that you have so many possibilities and of course can just stitch the pattern as it was designed



Christmas delivery 2026 €13,95

Mani di Donna – interview



I've known Simona for a long time from all her visits to Nashville. I have great admiration for her creativity and all the different finishing methods she keeps coming up with. For a while now, we've also had her hand-dyed linen in the shop, and I can't wait to see and use the new yarn.

1. Can you tell us a bit more about yourself and how you got into the design business
I'm Simona Bussiglieri and I'.m a needlework teacher and cross-stitch designer, and the founder of the brand Mani di Donna Designer. My passion for stitchy began when I was a child, thanks to my grandmother. As I grew older, I turned this hobby into a profession—a job I love, which allows me to travel and meet many other stitchers around the world, My patterns and designs are all created by me, and my collections are focused in particular on seasonal themes, with a special passion for creating sewing boxes
A few years ago, I launched my line of hand-dyed linen, and starting from next year I will introduce a new line of hand-dyed threads.

2. what is your favorite design and why?
Among my projects, there are many that are dear to me, but one in particular holds a special place: the 'Petal Pincushion.' This design marked the true beginning of my career as a designer and was featured on the cover of Just Cross Stitch magazine."

3. is there a design that you would love to create one day?
I would like to make a reproduction of an antique sampler again.

4. what do you do besides designing?
I have many interests in life, alongside being a mother of three and the proud owner of four cats. In recent years, I've developed a passion for gardening; I really enjoy growing plants and eating fresh produce from my own vegetable garden—being in touch with nature is one of the things I love most. Furthermore, I'm a good cook and love preparing meals for my friends.
5. do you stitch your models yourself?
I try to stitch everything myself, when I have time, but I do the finishing of all my patterns personally.

6. what is the biggest chance you saw in the industry in the past 5 years?
I think social media has really helped our industry build connections, even though it can sometimes be dangerous
7. if you wouldn't be a designer, what occupation would you have?
I would have become a private chef

8. what is the latest project that you stitched?
I stitched a Christmas pattern exclusively for an American shop.

9. where do you get your ideas from (favorite from customers).
My creative process varies; sometimes I am inspired by something I happen to come across—a landscape, a photograph, or anything else—while other times, I wake up in the morning with a new project already fully formed in my mind.

10. Where can we find you on social media?
You can find me on IG
https://www.instagram.com/manididonna/
or you can join my FB group
https://www.facebook.com/groups/751001513341316



Mani di Donna – gratis patroontje

The free patterns are exclusive to subscribers of our newsletter. If you are not yet a subscriber, you can sign up here. You will then receive an email with a confirmation link and then another email with the link to the page on the website where you can download the Christmas catalog with patterns.

You can sign up here; the newsletter is sent weekly and is free.

www.dehandwerkboetiek.nl/nieuwsbrief

Mani di Donna patronen en handgeverfd linnen
We have two new, super cute snowmen from Simona in the shop. They were so cute that Coby and I each stitched one on 10-thread fabric. Why on 10-thread fabric? Because I found this frame at Action and it seemed perfect for finishing touches. To really highlight the balance between the stitchy and the frame, we stitched it on coarser fabric. I can tell you, it's very soothing for your eyes.





The Cardinal's Snowman € 13,95





The Pumpkin's Snowman € 13,95

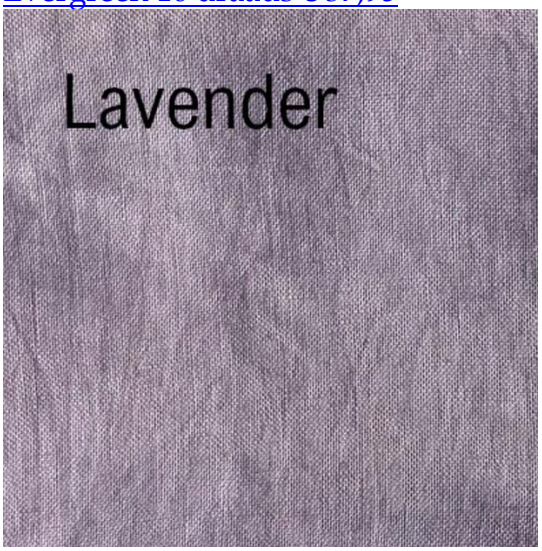
We also have various hand-dyed linens from Simona inside. We are very satisfied with this linen. It's not Zweigart linen, but it's very good quality and it stitchs wonderfully. Moreover, Simona has all kinds of colors that we don't find in the Zweigart collection.



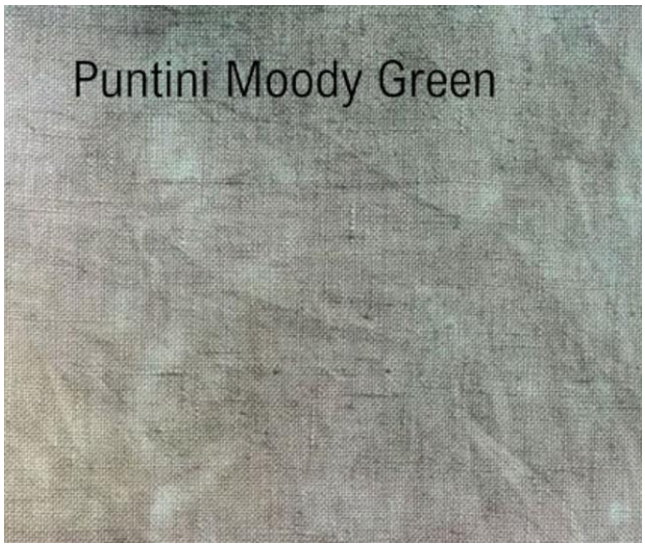
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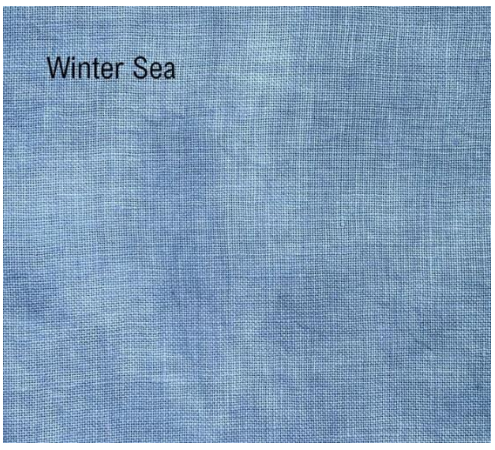
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Puntini Moody Green 14 draads € 37,95
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Winter Sea 14 draads € 37,95
Winter Sea 16 draads € 37,95



Pumpkin Patch 14 draads € 37,95

Fanny Designs

It's been a while since we had the patterns from My Fanny Designs in the shop. But this year she's back with a very extensive collection of Santas. I think there's a suitable Santa for everyone, whether you love cats or dogs, prefer stitching chickens or mushrooms, or choose owls, penguins, or even flamingos, My Fanny Designs has a Santa for them. I think these patterns are perfect for a gift. You can stitch them on Belfast fabric (12.6 drops/cm) and then they just fit into a standard frame. The cat version is hanging in the shop; we're going to see if we add one to our models this year. I'm personally crazy about the owls, but the foxes and rabbits are cute too.



Santa Collection # 4 – poezen €8,25



Santa Collection # 11 – kippen €8,25



Santa Collection # 17 pinguins €8,25



Santa Collection # 9 – konijnen €8,25



Santa Collection # 7 – rendier €8,25



Santa Collection # 5 – honden €8,25



Santa Collection # 6 – ganzen €8,25



Santa Collection # 2 uilen €8,25



Santa Collection # 10 – schapen €8,25



Santa Collection # 1 – sneeuwmannen €8,25



Santa Collection # 12 – eekhoorn €8,25



Santa and Merry Ducks € 8,25



Santa Collection # 16 Paddestoelen €8,25



Santa Collection # 13 – vosjes €8,25



Christmas Mood €13,95



Merry StitchMas €13,95

If you think I just want to stitch a bigger Santa Claus, you can choose from Christmas Mood and Merry Stitchmas. I would really like to stitch those two, and then only the Santa part of the pattern and finish it like a figure. Would be so fun to put those two together somewhere or put them in a Christmas basket. You can use your favorite color of red thread; the Threadworx 1089 included in the kit would be perfect for this. Keep in mind that you will probably need a 20 yard skein for both patterns, especially if you stitch with 2 threads.

For Santa is coming, I have a different idea; I really like a town with Santa Claus and his sleigh, but I would leave out the text. And maybe I would do the pattern in two; the left side is slightly different in proportion than the right, so you get two stitchy pieces from one pattern. Calculate in advance how big it will be, and then see if it fits in a standard frame. If necessary, you can make the snowflake hanging from the birdhouse a bit smaller.



Santa is coming €12,75



Christmas in the city € 13,95



Blue Birdhouse € 11,75

Speaking of birdhouses, Birdhouse - Christmas in the City is full of birds that, in my opinion, feel completely at home in and near the big houses. The row of birds and the gifts, at the bottom of the pattern you could also use very well for ornaments. But the whole is just a beautiful pattern, precisely because you don't fill the houses, you get a different effect. I think the Belfast 7729

(which is also available in EB) would be very suitable, then you immediately have a somewhat cloudy background that also shows through the houses.

And if you're looking for a smaller version of the birdhouse series, you can choose Blue Birdhouse. I just love stitching those little birds. Could you also make a fun knot out of it or finish them in a tiny stitchy ring.

Green Christmas is really one of my favorites; I just love elongated, narrow cushions. I brought this little piece for my vacation in the US and I loved stitching. Finishing one motif or letter each time and then moving on to the next. Because there aren't many colors, I think it's an ideal stitchy piece for travel and vacation. So I didn't start with the Christmas tree on the left, but on the plane I worked on the first snowman and the letters. That stitchy is much easier. I stitched the Christmas tree at my vacation address, where I could focus better on the different colors. All the small motifs on this pattern could also be very useful for the bobbin with checkered banding.

Green Christmas €13,95



Finally, we have the Christmas Fluffies—these are such cute little figures. I immediately thought, what a lovely gift this is for children. You could put a bell in it and stitch it on coarse fabric to make them a bit bigger. Or stitch them on fine fabric and make a cute bag to go in. I would also see them looking great in one of those stitchy boxes you see on Flosstube videos and Instagram. A jewelry box that's been converted into an stitchy box. And then a Christmas version with these fluffy ones inside.

Volgens mij is er genoeg om uit te kiezen. Mocht jouw gewenste kerstman niet meer op voorraad zijn, geen nood, na afloop van de Kerst Open Dagen doen we, indien nodig, nog weer een bestelling bij My Fanny Designs, zodat iedereen de gewenste kerstman kan borduren.
Christmas Fluffies € 11,75

Newcastle en Edinburg stoffenpakketjes
For lovers of our linen fabric kits, we have a set with Edinburgh (14 thread) colors and one with Newcastle (16 thread) colors for the Christmas Open Days. The scraps measure 25 x 35cm and we have chosen colors that go well with all the Christmas and winter patterns in the catalog.

In the Edinburg package, you will find the following colors:
562 – ijsblauw
309 – beige
7025 – taupe
705 – lichtgrijs
7094 - grijsblauw



Edinburg stoffenpakketje € 18,95

In the Newcastle package, you'll find the following colors:
1079 – wit/beige gewolkt
7025 – taupe
7106 – ijsblauw
3009 – vintage country mocha
7011 – lichtgrijs (gaat uit de collectie)



Newcsatle stoffenpakketje € 18,95

Needleminders en heel leuke kerstdoosjes

We have a whole bunch of new needle memories in the shop, including needle memories with the Beatrix Potter characters, which I absolutely love. I still have a few books from her and still love the drawings.



Needleminder Ol' St Nick €12,75



Needleminder Season's Tweetings €11,00



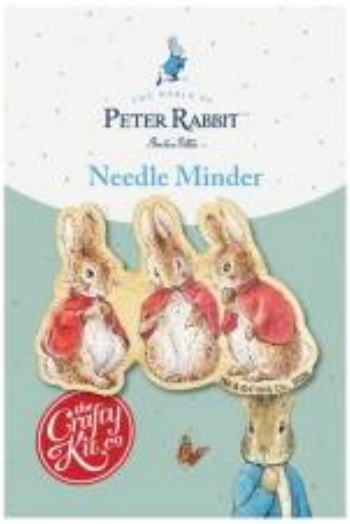
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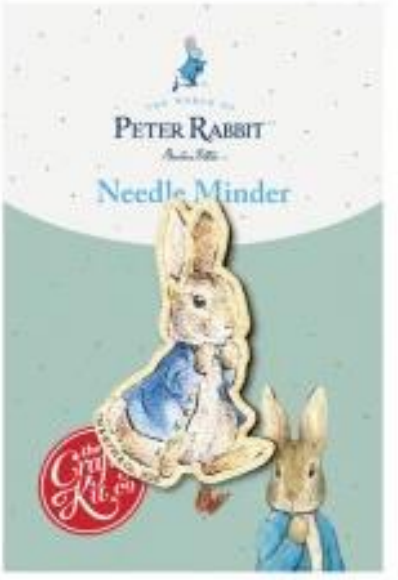
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NM Flopsy, Mopsy and Cottontail € 12,50



NM Peter Rabbit € 12,50



NM Squirrel Nutkin € 12,50



NM Tailor of Gloucester € 12,50



NM Tom Kitten € 12,50



New York Dreamer
A few years ago, it was on the cover of the Christmas catalog, the snow angel from New York Dreamer. And this year, its little brother is also on the cover. These snow angels are just too cute to leave up. We did turn the snow angels into snowmen, so they can stay up all winter. You can choose from three different versions, see below. We used the slightly green on white cloudy Belfast fabric for the snowmen, which immediately gives a wintry look.



Sow Angel Little Bird € 13,95



Snow Angel Silent Night € 13,95


Snow Angel At Night € 13,95



Notforgotten Farm
The little figures from Notforgotten Farm are truly one of my favorite projects to stitch. The idea is that I stitch them all and then have a kind of chessboard made of small, standing figures. Some are even more fun than others.

This year we have Cheerful Giver, Chris Mouse, and Mr. Frost especially for Christmas. As you can see, I have already stitched them and Coby made beautiful little figures out of them. We had already stitched Cinder Claus, Little Nick, and Cookie Claus last year and are also in our display case.


Cheerful Giver €11,75


Chris Mouse €11,75


Mr. Frost €11,75





Cinder Klaus €11,75



Little Nick €11,75



Cookie Claus €11,75



Owliver €11,75





But there are many more little figures to choose from, and we now also have Owliver, Bit 'o Honey, Sprout, Pumpkin Pete, and Esmeralda in stock. These Littles are truly an ideal stitchy piece for the weekend or for a holiday.

I stitched them all on Belfast linen (6.2 crosses/cm) with 2 threads of DMC thread. Sometimes I adjusted the colors slightly if I thought it suited our Christmas models better. For last year's Christmas figures, for example, we used DMC 816 for the red color. By changing this on all three figurines, they match together nicely.

Bij Cheerful Giver en Chris Mouse heb ik dit ook gedaan voor het muisje en ik heb de gesp met gouddraad geborduurd. Dat geeft toch net even een extra accentje.

In addition to the Littles you see here, we have also added to our stock of other figures from Notforgotten Farm, which you can find on this designer's page.



Pumpkin Pete €11,75



Sprout €11,75



Bit ‘o Honey €11,75



Esmeralda €11,75

The Prairie Schooler
The annual Prairie Schooler Santa has an almost Dutch touch this year; it's a Santa Claus on skates. I stitched it again with great pleasure and, as usual, replaced the DMC 221 with 815 and added some gold thread. This year too, we made a kind of vase out of it, meaning we covered a tube with fabric and the vase can go inside. I really hope there will be another Santa Claus next year, then my collection of Prairie Schooler vases will be complete.





2026 Santa €9,50

The older, annual Santas are no longer all available as separate cards. Our distributor has taken over the rights and publishes them in groups of three. I ordered the patterns of the more recent Santas for the shop, because we have models of those. But if you want to add older Santas to your collection, that's possible. Then check out the page of The Prairie Schooler.



Santas Revisited XIII (2018, 2020, 2023) €14,75



Santas Revisited XII (2012, 2019, 2021) €14,75

For finishing: small, round stitchy rings
As you know, I'm not into very large patterns. And in this Christmas catalog, there are lots of small patterns that you can really use for all kinds of little gifts. Just that finish, you know. We've found something for some of that. These small 7.5cm stitchy rings are super fun to use for finishing a small pattern. And to make it even easier for you, you get a cardboard box for the back. That way, your stitchy is finished off beautifully. You can cover the cardboard with fabric or stick a nice Christmas wrapping paper on it.

You can adorn the rings with ribbons and hang them on the Christmas tree. Or attach them to a card and make someone very happy with it.


7,5cm borduurringetje met kartonnetje € 4,95



Primrose Cottage
This year I stitched several patterns from Primrose Cottage and I notice that with every new pattern I think, oh, I want to stitch that too. Well, with the smaller patterns. They have their own style and I love the colors they choose. I started Merry Mouse, but it's not finished yet. I used the Threadworx yarn kit for it, the greens and dark red colors come from the kit. You can also use the colors well for the other patterns, only for the Nativity Quacker you would need to add some extra colors.



Merry Mouse €10,75



Home for the holidays €11,75

Home for the Holidays is really a pattern for me; it has all kinds of houses on it, it has a real Christmas atmosphere, and I love being home at Christmas. Maybe this will be my Christmas stitchy.

The Cups of Cheer is sure to be well liked by anyone who loves hot chocolate with whipped cream. I think it's fun to stitch this and then attach it around a glass jar where you shop Christmas cookies. Or stitch them separately and put them in a small frame, maybe with a gift card for the recipient.

I personally think that Quaker pattern is very well designed. Everything that makes it a nativity scene is on it, while you can clearly recognize the Quaker style. That may seem simple, but it definitely isn't. I think I'd add some gold thread here too. Not for every yellow cross, but in moderation.





[Cup of Cheer €10,75]

[Nativity Quaker €11,75]

Did you know that Primrose Cottage sends a free pattern every month to subscribers of their stitchy newsletter? Below you can see the pattern for the month of November. Unfortunately, you will no longer receive this pattern, but if you sign up now, you will receive the patterns in your inbox starting in December.

You can sign up for their stitchy newsletter here.



PS: I can't email you the pattern, which goes against the rules Primrose Cottage has set for these patterns. So just sign up quickly yourself, and you won't miss anything.

Puntini Puntini
Paola has some really fun animal patterns for Christmas again. We're big fans of her Trio series, three round patterns with animals of all kinds of feathers. You might already know the Winter Animal Trio, but Perfect Gift has now joined as a new series. Our little animals are no longer alone, but have a partner. And together they look at the "perfect gift."

The Snowman Lookalike is one of the funniest patterns; a bunny and squirrel are busy making a bunny snowman with a squirrel's tail. You'd give them a ten with a stylus for the effort.


Perfect Gift €17,25


Winter Animals Trio €17,25


Snowman Lookalike - Bunny And Squirrel €11,75

Besides the fun patterns, Paola also makes beautiful pins. Especially for the Christmas Open Days, you can now choose from various sets. Of course, you can put all three pins in a pillow, but I also like to use one each time. They're also great for stitchy boxes, which you can cover yourself and use one or two pins for. Or surprise someone else with them. You can choose from the following sets.



Christmas Gifts pin set €13,95



Winter Cardinal Small Pin €13,95



Christmas pin set € 13,95

Rafelstop voor al je Animal Crackers
If you've put together an Animal Cracker yourself, you know it's pretty exciting to cut out all those little corners and curves so your little animal looks beautiful. We now have a little tool for that: Rafelstop from Prym.

This is what Prym itself says about Rafelstop: Prym Rafelstop is a colorless fluid that prevents threads from fraying in places like buttonholes, seams, collars, and cuffs by reinforcing the fibers. When sewing continuous seams, Rafelstop can be used to reinforce the curves, which can then be cut without fraying, and hems also get a stable edge with the Rafelstop.

Coby tried it out and here's what she says about it: "My new BFF. Amazing stuff. Now I can calmly make the strangest turns and still put it together beautifully. Fantastic!"

It's very easy to use; you apply a thin layer of fraying stopper and let it dry for a few hours. So it's very handy to do this, for example, in the evening before you have a day to assemble everything. Once it's well dried, you can assemble the stitchy.

Note, however, the bottle does not fit in a regular mailbox box.



Rafelstop € 10,50

Samplers and Primitives
At the Needlework Marketplace fair, I saw these Christmas patterns and I guess I sold them right away. How nice it is to be able to present so many different designers in the Christmas catalog, each with their own style. I'm crazy about the little deer, with its Christmas ornaments and the Scandinavian look the pattern has. But Santa Claus with his company is also so cute and fits well in stitchy as a finishing touch.



Festive Reindeer €13,95



Santa and Friends €16,25

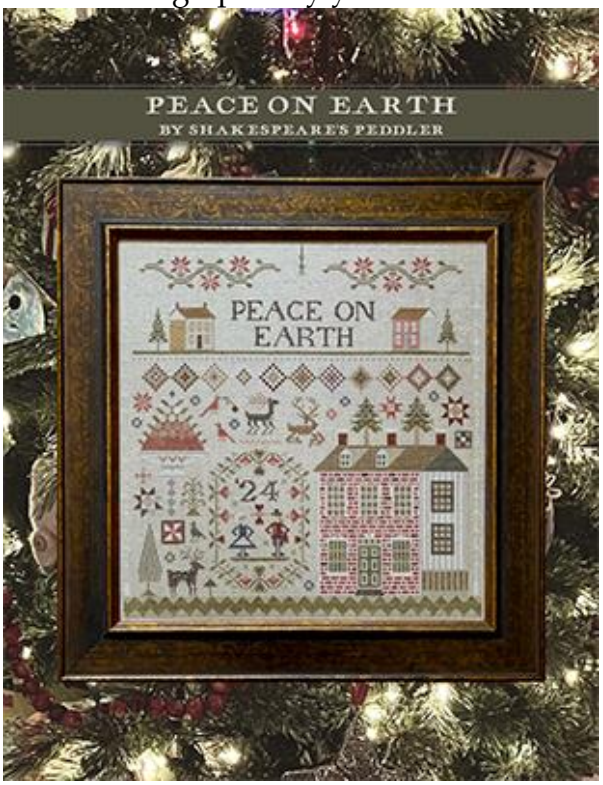
Finally, we have a beautiful Christmas fabric from Samplers and Primitives. With patterns, borders, and of course a house! You can also use all those motifs for smaller projects; I already see the house stitched separately and then in a beautiful frame. Or stitch the deer and finish it in an oval ring.



Be Merry €13,95

Shakespeare's Peddler

Thanks to Inge, we now also have the model of Peace on Earth by Shakespeare's Peddler in the shop. I think it turned out sooo beautiful. She stitched the model with the suggested DMC colors, and as you can see, that gives a different effect, but it's certainly no less beautiful. You can see that you can also make the necessary changes to the pattern yourself; for example, we left out the year and stitched an extra motif instead. You could also adapt the text to Peace on Earth, which fits exactly this time. But maybe you prefer to just stitch houses, then you repeat the houses that are there and stitch them in changing colors, for example. This is truly a family heirloom that you want to hang up every year for Christmas.





Peace on Earth € 27,25

Christmas recipet 3: Christmas green beans
I love green beans and this recipe really seems like a recommendation.



Ingrediënten
750 gr haricots verts
70 grams almond shavings
1 orange
150gr slices of smoked bacon
40 gr Parmesan cheese grated
2-3 eetlepels balsamico cremosa
Pepper and salt

Preparation method:

1. Clean the haricots verts. Bring a large pan of salt to a boil. Add the haricots verts and cook them for about 3-4 minutes until tender.
2. Meanwhile, toast the almond slicings in a dry frying pan until they get dark spots. Shake them out of the pan onto a plate and sprinkle with some salt. Grate the orange zest over the almond slicer and mix well.
3. Fry the bacon slices in a dry frying pan until crispy. Let them drain on kitchen paper. Let them cool and break them into small pieces.
4. Place the haricots verts on a nice platter, sprinkle with the almond slicing, pieces of bacon, and orange zest. Grate the Parmesan cheese over it and zigzag some balsamic cremosa over it.



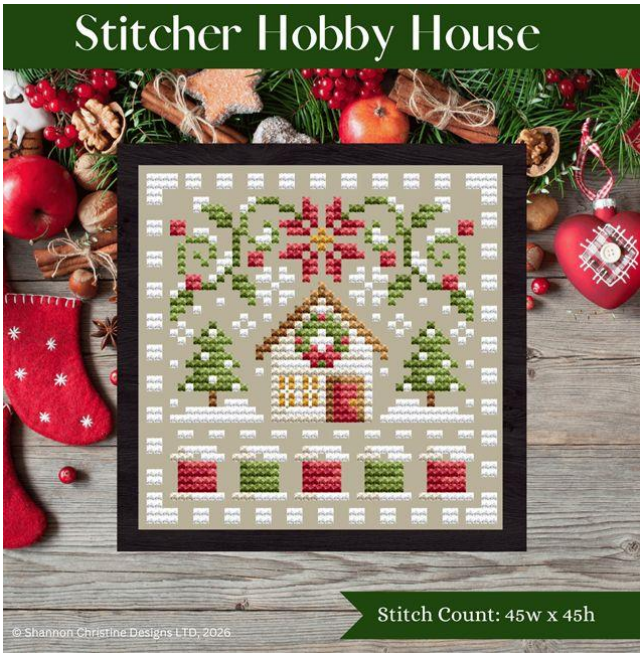
Shannon Christine Designs
Square patterns are always so useful—you can put them in a square frame, on top of a square box, make a cushion out of them, or stitch them side by side like Coby did, and make an elongated cushion. I love it so much. The patterns also make a really nice gift for anyone who loves one of these hobbies. If you attach it to a square box, you can put some extra stitchy fabric or thread in the box. Or beautiful quilt fabrics for a quilt lover, or small strands of wool and speed counters for the knitters among us.



Knitter Hobby House € 7,95



Quilter Hobby House € 7,95

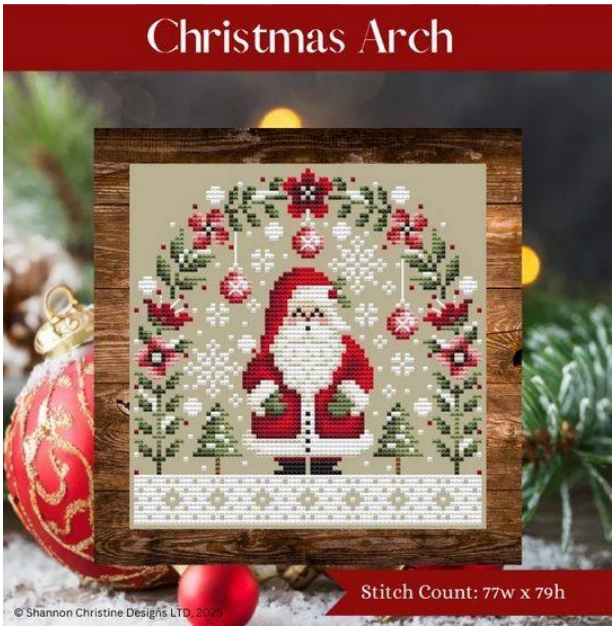


Stitcher Hobby House € 7,95



Nutcracker 2026 € 18,50

The annual nutcracker is also out, and this nutcracker is wearing a beautiful, deep purple and red outfit. You also stitch beads on it and add metallic thread. This way, it gets an outfit that fits the holidays.

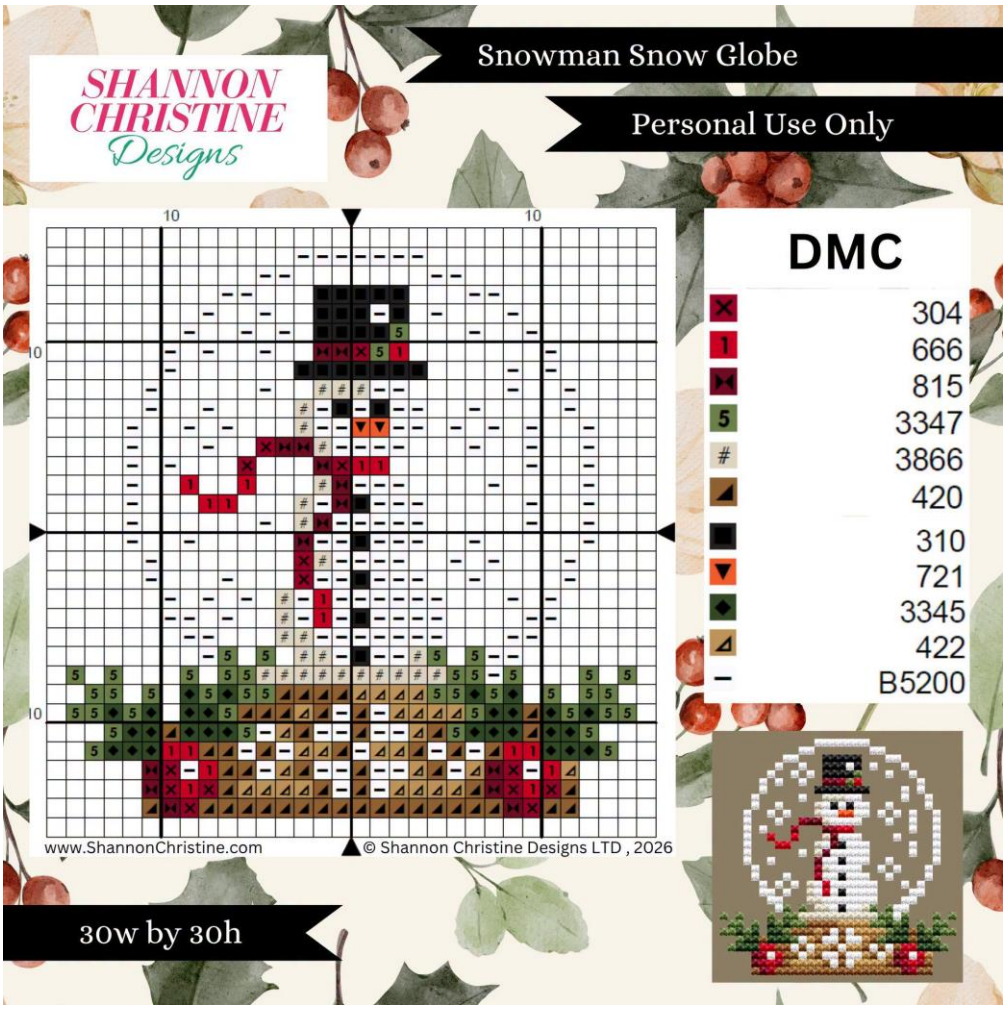


[Christmas Arch €13,95]



[Winter Arch €13,95]

Finally, we have both Santa Claus under a bow and the snowman. These are cheerful little patterns to stitch. You could also replace the snow edge at the bottom with a lace. It gives the weather a completely different look.



Stacy Nash Designs
Perhaps the most fun surprise in this Christmas catalog: there are new Animal Crackers from Stacy Nash! I'm still over the moon that we managed to get the patterns here on time. Because they're really fun Animal Crackers, and two of them are also a special Christmas edition.

We thought about it for a while and decided to stock half of the Animal Crackers stock in the shop and set aside half for online orders. We have received a lot of Weeks Dye Works yarn again, but we didn't get the same quantity of all colors. We don't have any yarn sets yet, but we'll get another order at the beginning of December, and then we can complete the sets. You can already order them in the webshop.

To start with, Ginger was released, which came out last year during Jingle Ball. This cute little mouse is stitched on pink fabric and comes with a small pouch to carry her Christmas cookies. We also provided an alternative pink fabric for you to stitch ginger on. Especially for the Christmas catalog, we cut smaller pieces than usual. You can order these small patches in combination with the pattern. The fabric is from Mani di Donna and is a 14-ply, hand-dyed linen in the color Dusty Rose. We think it's a beautiful combination.



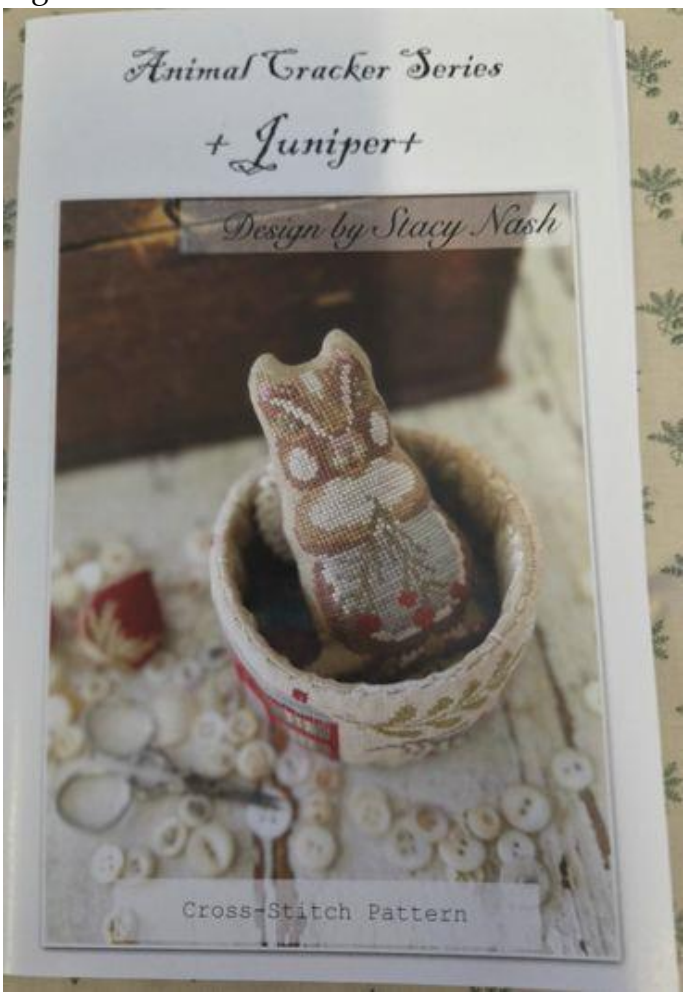


Animal Cracker Ginger € 13,95
Garensetje Ginger € 23,60

Animal Cracker Ginger met handgeverfd linnen € 25,45

Next, we have the "chipmunks" Juniper and Zeke. These little squirrels are really cute, and what's also really fun is that you stitch both the front and the back. Juniper really stole my heart with her little container that you can also stitch and assemble. I think this little Animal Cracker is one to stitch wonderfully for Christmas.
Her partner in crime is Zeke, a big rascal who loves to scare everyone with his Halloween mask. I think it's a darling without his mask, with a mask.... But Maybe it's just a matter of not stitching

the teeth and then he looks much friendlier. I only know that Juniper and Zeke just belong together and so both will be stitched.



Juniper € 13,95
Garensetje Juniper € 26,55



Zeke € 13,95
Garensetje Zeke € 29,50

Then we finally have the Gingerbread House needle making book in the shop. This is a pattern you can really sit down for. I think it's sooooo beautiful. You end up with a very generous needle booklet; you can see in the webshop that Stacy even has an stitchy ring hidden inside.

And what a great idea this is to design a house at the front and then show a glimpse inside at the back. Those little mice stitched upstairs in the attic room suit me perfectly. And although I usually choose a different Christmas red for my Christmas patterns, I really love this combination of rose red with green and golden yellow. You could very well choose the Vintage Country Mocha as fabric, which is available in Cashel (11 threads), Belfast (12.6 threads), Edinburgh (14 threads), and Newcastle (16 threads).




Gingerbread House € 13,95
Garensetje Gingerbread House € 17,70

And finally, the new pattern was released, the Mary Rose Sewing Roll. This was a retreat project, and I know many ladies are eagerly awaiting it. The pincushion with the whale and the ship is also included with the pattern. Choose your own fabric colors for the finishing touch, and you can add a beautiful sewing roll to your accessories.




Mary Rose Sewing Roll € 13,95

Before I knew we'd get all these amazing new patterns, I had already picked out two special Christmas patterns from Stacy to include in this catalog. First Deck the Coop, I believe there's no one who can design chickens as well as Stacy. What a fun pattern this is, and this time it's more of a pinkeep size. You could also stitch the female separately, but I really like the whole thing. That chicken run on the scale, you just have to get on it.



Deck The Coop Pinkeep €13,95



Sugar Animal Cracker Christmas Cookie €13,95

Of course, Animal Cracker Sugar is also a must-have in this catalog. I started it earlier this year and quickly discovered that Sugar is a sturdy skunk. That means there are a lot of crosses in it, namely more than 10,000. I smuggled a bit, I didn't stitch the pouch on the back, and I replaced the stitched bells with real bells. During my vacation in Virginia Beach, I showed Stacy my version and she loved the bells.

For Sugar, I used 14-strand Vintage Country Mocha and my beloved Threadworx 11213 for the black thread. Keep in mind that if you're going to stitch with 1 strand of Sugar, you'll need 2 x 5 yards for the black; if you're stitching with 2 strands, I'd at least assume 3 x 5 yards. That's why such a strand of Threadworx is so ideal—you get 20 yards right away, and that's enough.

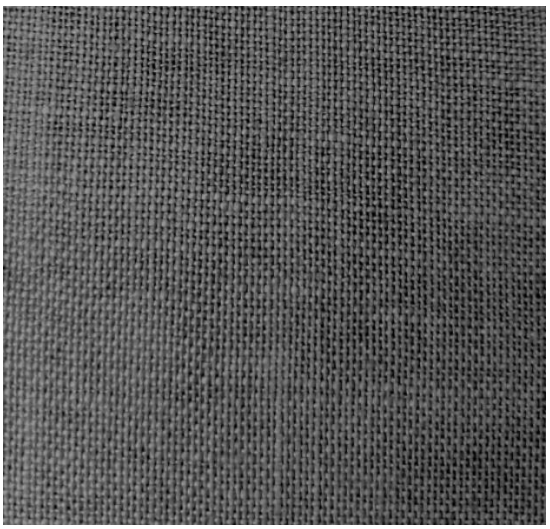
TabbyCat linens

We have a special collection of beautiful, hand-dyed linens from TabbyCat Linens for the Christmas Open Days. One of the new colors is Down the Rabbit Hole, and you can really do all sorts of things with it. You can use it for reproductions as well as for all kinds of Christmas patterns. The Windsor Castle is perfect for the Midnight Santa Stocking; it fits perfectly on a 45 x 67cm sheet.

We also have Shaker Grey, a beautiful, neutral gray shade. Or choose Espresso, a very warm brown shade where patterns that call for a dark background work well. And then there's Woodsmoke, a neutral shade with a green tint, and I ordered Cockleshell again because it's such a great color.



Down the Rabbit Hole 14 draads 42,50
Down the Rabbit Hole 16 draads € 45,00



Windsor Castle 14 draads 42,50



Espresso 14 draads 42,50
Espresso 16 draads € 45,00



Woodsmoke 14 draads 42,50
Woodsmoke 16 draads 45,000



Cockleshell 14 draads 42,50
Cockleshell 16 draads 45,00



Shaker Grey 14 draads 42,50
Shaker Grey 16 draads 45,000

And then we have a really nice surprise. We have various TabbyCat Linens linen pieces that don't have names and that you can use for all sorts of things. Use them for Christmas ornaments, cushions, small frames, scissor hangers, pincushions, you name it. The pieces are about 22 x 30cm and we have 12.6 threads, 14 threads, 16 threads, and a few 18-thread pieces in the shop. You can only buy the pieces in the shop during our open days.

At this moment, you can only order a mystery color; you can specify the number of threads per cm, and we will then take a pack from the basket for you. If you prefer to see which colors are available, you have to wait a moment. After the Christmas Open Days, I will put what is still in stock online.



Mysterie kleur 12,6dr/cm € 11,50



Mysterie kleur 14dr/cm € 11,50



Mysterie kleur 16dr/cm € 11,50



Mysterie kleur 18dr/cm € 11,50

Teresa Kogut
It's always a joy to get new patterns from Teresa Kogut. This year we also have a new model of one of her patterns. I had my eye on Frosty Pals for a while, and over the past months I've stitched the figures and the basket, and Coby assembled them and transformed the basket into a real Christmas basket. I think it turned out so much.





Frosty Pals 16,25

The Blue Coat Santa and this time the Pink Coat Santa are back in the shop. I stitched the Blue Coat Santa last year with so much pleasure. It was really a relaxed little project on 10-thread fabric. My plan was to add a Santa to my collection every year, but that didn't happen this year.



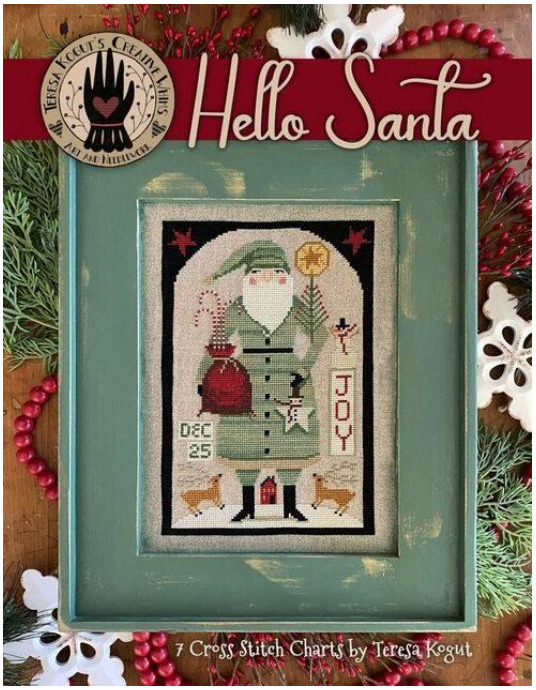


[Blue Coat Santa 16,25]



[Pink Coat Santa 16,25]

Besides this pattern, we also have two books back, Hello Santa and Hello Winter. This way, you can get ahead a long time with the patterns that Teresa Kogut makes so beloved. Below you see some designs from the Hello Santa book and further on the Hello Winter book.

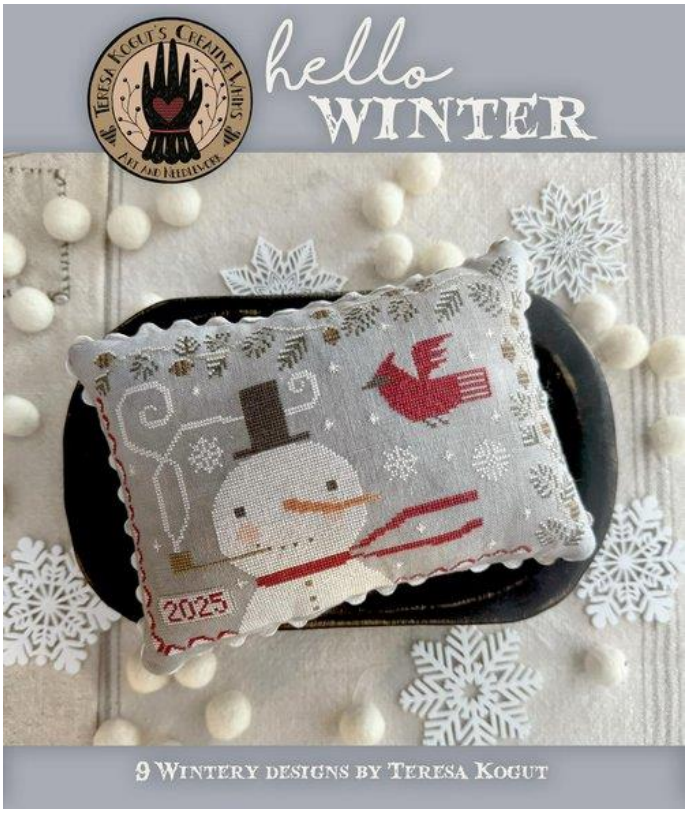




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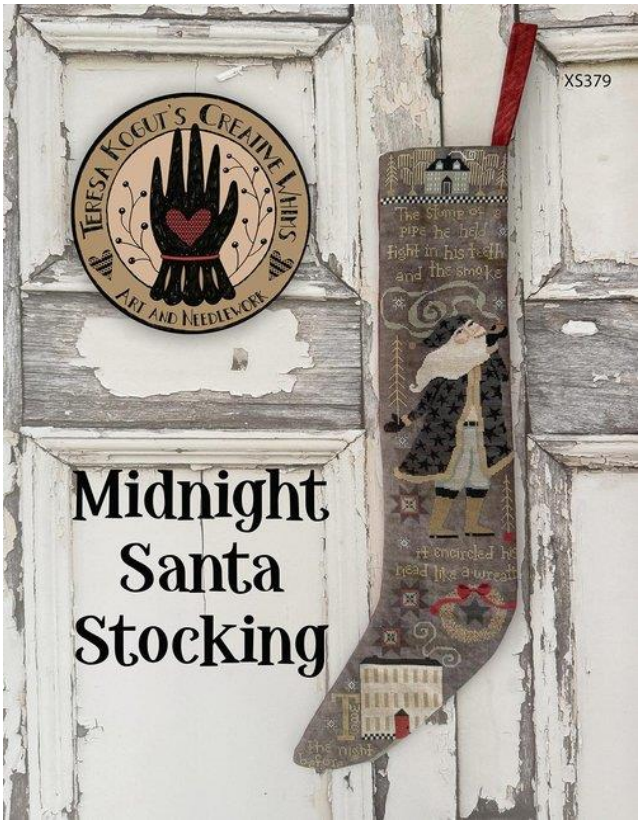


[Hello Winter 33,95]





Finally, we have Midnight Santa Stocking back in the shop. This stocking was super popular after the Nashville fair, and I can imagine it—it's such a fun and unique stocking. The [Windosr Castle fabric from TabbyCat Linens] is perfect for this.



Midnight Santa Stocking 18,50

Annemiek's favorite colors Threadworx
I think you're already a big fan of Threadworx yarn. I really like the yarn for stitching, you get a large amount for the price (you get 4x as much yarn for twice the price of other hand-dyed yarn) and the effect is simply beautiful.

I thought it would be fun to share my favorite colors with you this year. Colors you can use for lots of Christmas patterns; for example, I used them for the Merry Mouse from Primrose Cottage Stitches. Or use them for the patterns from My Fanny Designs—just replace one or two colors with a Threadworx color and you suddenly get a completely different effect.

In this set, you get 6 colors of 5 yards per color. I chose a light and dark green, a light and dark red, my favorite black/gray color, and a white color with a hint of gray for all the beards, pompoms, edges of coats and hats, and any random sheep or rabbit you might come across on your pattern.

You receive the following colors (the links refer to the regular 20 yard strings):
1048 - Woodland Green
10487 - Evergreen
1089 - Bleeding Hearts
1090 - Red Lipstick
11213 - Wrought Iron
11231 - Santa's Beard

Normally, we only sell this yarn in 20 yard skeins, but through consultation, they have now supplied these 5 yard skeins so you can use these colors at a friendly price.

Note: we have quite a few of these introductory sets, but when they're gone, they're really gone. Of course, you can order the 20 yard strands in these colors; we've stocked up on extra stock.



Threadworx garenset € 18,95

Tralala
We have a nice set of patterns from Tralala again. I really like her Santa Claus series in the different colors. And if you like a particular Santa Claus, you can easily change his jacket into your favorite Christmas color.


Père Noël Gris €13,95



Père Noël Rose €13,95



Flocon €13,95



Ornament Noël 2025 €13,95

This snowman seems perfect for finishing as a figure. Especially fun to stitch as a Christmas gift or just to keep yourself. And maybe you can find a little peppermint stick (fake, of course) that he holds in his hand. That would really finish it off. If you're looking for a Santa Claus to finish as a figure, you can continue with Ornament Noël right away. You can also stitch and finish the Christmas tree as a real little tree.



Petite oie 1 et 2 €14,75



Le soir de Noël €13,95

These two little goose might not be quite Christmas, but I liked them so much that they also get a place in the catalog. I think I would also make a little goose out of the little goose, so she can go out and enjoy a cozy trip with her mother.

Also going out are Santa Claus and his feathered friends. They even brought a special cart for it so the presents can come along. I'm curious where Santa will stop and, of course, what's inside the boxes.

This winter cat was a request from Poekie and I had to comply with it. I think I would see if I can adjust it to Poekie's colors so it looks like my own Poekie.



Un chat d'hiver €13,95

Miscellaneous designers
And we also have patterns from designers who may have come out last year after our Christmas Open Days, for which I only ordered one pattern or that I just like too much and deserve a place in the Christmas catalog. You can see those below.

Artful Offerings



Chilly Cardinals € 13,95



Midwinter Merriment Sampler € 13,95

Blueberry Ridge Designs



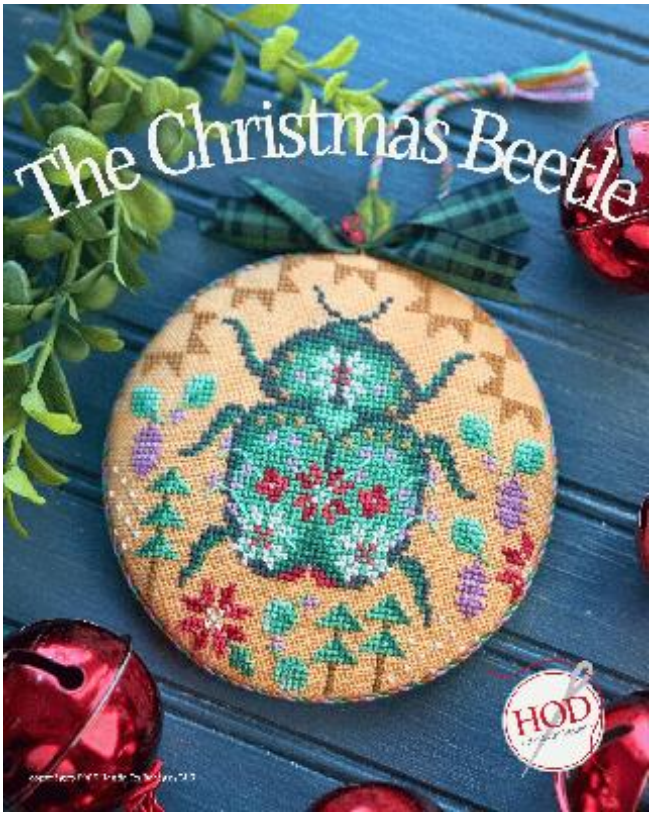
Postmouse's Christmas Delivery €13,95

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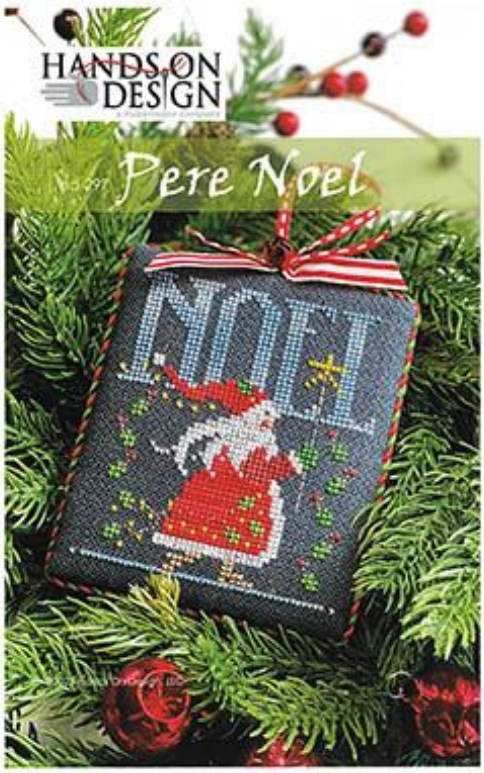


Yuletide Swirls €14,75

Hands on Design



Christmas Beetle €11,75



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Scattered Seed Samplers



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Tiny Modernist



Winter Foliage Tree €11,75

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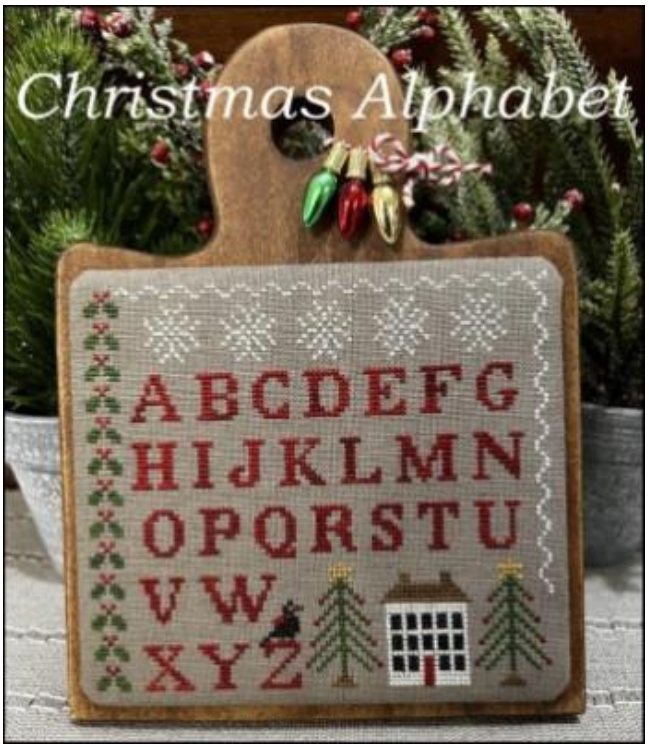
Let it Snow €13,95

Boomerang Stitches



Sugarplum Stag €11,75

Scarlett House



Christmas Alphabet €13,95



Fa La La La La €13,95

Stitches by Ethel



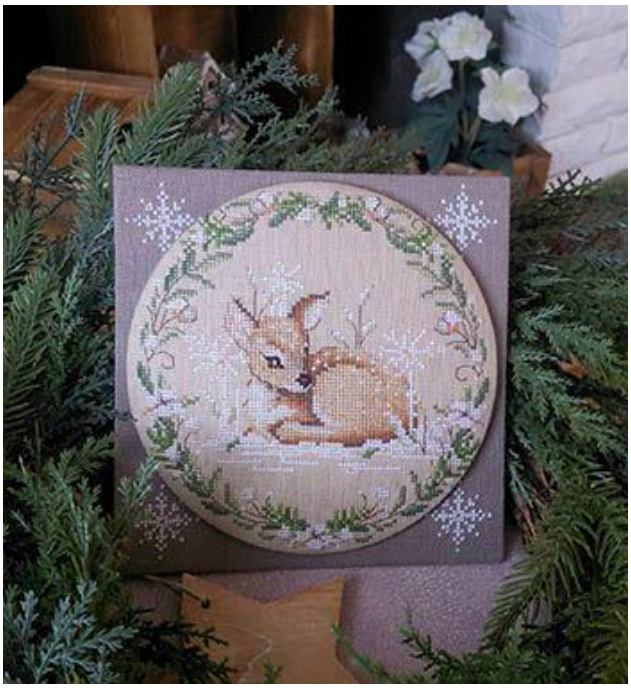
Christmas Spools Pinkeep €10,75

Summer House Stitche Workes



Christmastide € 13,95

Serenita di Campagna



[Il Bosco D'Inverno – Cerbiatto €13,95]



[Il Bosco D'Inverno – Snowman €13,95]

Twin Peak Primitives



[Profumo di natale- Snowman €13,95]



[Twin Peak Snowman 2026 € 14,75]

Una Buena Pieza



[Christmas Town €12,95]

October House Fiber Arts



[Odds and Ends €11,75]



[Tree Trimmings - Season Two €11,75]

Year-end closing and final shipping date

The end of the year is fast approaching, which means we have a final shipping day and the shop will be closed between Christmas and New Year's.

Please note that **Monday, December 21** is the last day we will still ship orders. On Thursday, December 24, the shop will still be open and you are warmly welcome to come have a cup of coffee/tea and pick something up for the Christmas season. From **December 25 until Monday, January 4, 2027,** the shop will be closed.

You can simply place orders through the webshop, and we'll start working on that again from Tuesday, January 5. I'll also start answering emails again on January 5.

On Thursday**, January 7, 2027**, the shop will reopen and we look forward to seeing you again.

