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1010 - Tile Pincushion

Stitch count: 42 wide x 42 high

Design size: 7.6 x 7.6 cm on 14 ct Aida

Our model was stitched using 2 strands
on 14 count ecru Aida

Colour Key and Stitch Instructions

■	792	Cornflower Blue - DK
X	931	Antique Blue - MED
+	3013	Khaki Green - LT
O	3856	Mahogany - ULT VY LT

Backstitching details

Backstitch the stem and leaves in DMC3013 (dark green).
Outline the diamond shaped border firstly in DMC920 and leaving one row of square, backstitch the second outline diamonds shape-using DMC3856.

The leaves in the corner motifs are outlined with DMC920.
DMC3362 is used on the stems of the small leaves attached to the diamond.

Finishing off the pincushion

To make up the pincushion, place the Aida fabric face downward onto the piece of backing fabric. Using matching sewing thread, sew around the edges of the design one square away from the cross-stitch border. For a firm result to keep in the padding use backstitching to join the 2 pieces of material and use every hole of the Aida fabric. When you have finished joining three sides of the square, clip across the top corners to remove the excess fabric and ensure a clean square point. Turn the pincushion through to the right side and stuff it firmly with sawdust. Finally, sew up the last edge of the pincushion using slipstitches for a neat finish.