

The Green Stitch, Hera Gallery & Hera Educational Fund

January 2021 Project

Common Rhode Island Tracks Baby Blanket

In conjunction with our January speakers from RI's Division of Fish and Wildlife we'll be making baby blanket squares focusing on hand stitching and reverse appliqué.

Supplies

11.5" by 11.5" fleece square
11.5" by 11.5" woven cotton square
paw print (hand drawn or PDF pattern)
sewing pins
needle and thread

Paw Prints

Three pdf files of local Rhode Island animals you can use as patterns or you can brush up your drawing skills. If hand drawing your paw, sketch in the center of your fleece square.

Directions

1. Place paw print pattern paper in the center of fleece square and pin. Cut paper and fleece together from the center of the paw prints outward.
2. Lining up squares, pin right side of cotton to wrong side of fleece.
***When instructions mention the "right side" of fabric, they are talking about the printed, bright, more piled surface of the fabric. The other surface is the wrong side of the fabric.
3. Thread needle, tie an overhand knot (regular knot) at end of threads.
4. Push needle through wrong side of cotton fabric and use basic or decorative stitches to reverse appliqué the two fabrics together around the paw print. Stitch demos on Saturday during The Green Stitch zoom gathering, but here is good website to explore for yourself–
<https://www.craftsy.com/post/hand-embroidery-stitches/#>
5. Hand stitch around all the the parts of your paw print and drop it back by Hera Gallery, 10 High Street in South Kingstown, by February 6th.

Feeling Fancy?!?!?

Add different fabrics to different parts of the paw prints.

Our craft meeting will be held from 2pm-3pm on Saturdays on our Zoom platform (<https://bit.ly/GreenStitch>) through January. Our guest speakers will be educating us

on January 30th through Zoom. Stay tuned for our February Program about owls and more local environmental programming through June 2021.

+++More info and photos on Hera's Facebook and Instagram accounts and through our website, www.heragallery.org+++