

Holiday Smiles



A complimentary cross stitch greeting card by Brooke Nolan



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Needed to complete design: 1 pc. 6" x 9" metallic silver 14 ct. perforated paper, DMC floss, Mill Hill glass seed beads, #24 tapestry needle, short beading needle, scraps of Rainbow Gallery's Petite Very Velvet V650 and Frosty Rays Y109 to make a bow, a printout of the "Holiday Smiles" greeting card PDF file printed on photo paper, 4 adhesive pop dots, glue, and decorative paper or fabric for backing the wreath.

Finished wreath measures approximately 5" x 5"
Finished greeting card measures 5 1/2" x 8 1/2"

Cross Stitch & Bead: Using 3 strands of floss, cross stitch the wreath on perforated paper. Then, using 2 strands of DMC #504 Blue Green Vy Lt, complete the beading. (Note: If you have trouble threading a beading needle with 2 strands of floss, put 1 strand of floss through the eye and pull the end down so there are 2 working strands.)

Backstitch: using 2 strands of DMC #600 Dark Cranberry floss, stitch the cardinal's wings and beak.

Finishing Instructions: Using embroidery scissors or a craft knife, cut out the wreath leaving a border of at least one square beyond the outer most stitches. Also cut out the center of the wreath. Tack or glue the bow to the bottom of the wreath. Back the wreath by glueing a square of decorative paper or fabric that is 1 or 2 inches larger than the stitched wreath. After backing is dry, carefully cut away the excess backing close to the edges.

Using 8 1/2" x 11" photo paper, print out the "Holiday Smiles" greeting card. Score and fold in the middle. Attach the wreath to the card with pop dots so it can be easily removed, strung with floss, and hung on the tree as an ornament. (Suggestion: Attach a photo or a cut out of the snow couple to the back of the wreath before you back it and the wreath ornament can also serve as a frame.)

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Symbol	DMC	Color
■	3371	Black Brown
4	603	Cranberry
□	604	Cranberry Lt
•	605	Cranberry Vy Lt
●	503	Blue Green Md
♥	504	Blue Green Lt

Symbol	Mill Hill	Color
◀	00553	Metal Raspberry
∇	02018	Crystal Pink
×	00479	Sparkling White

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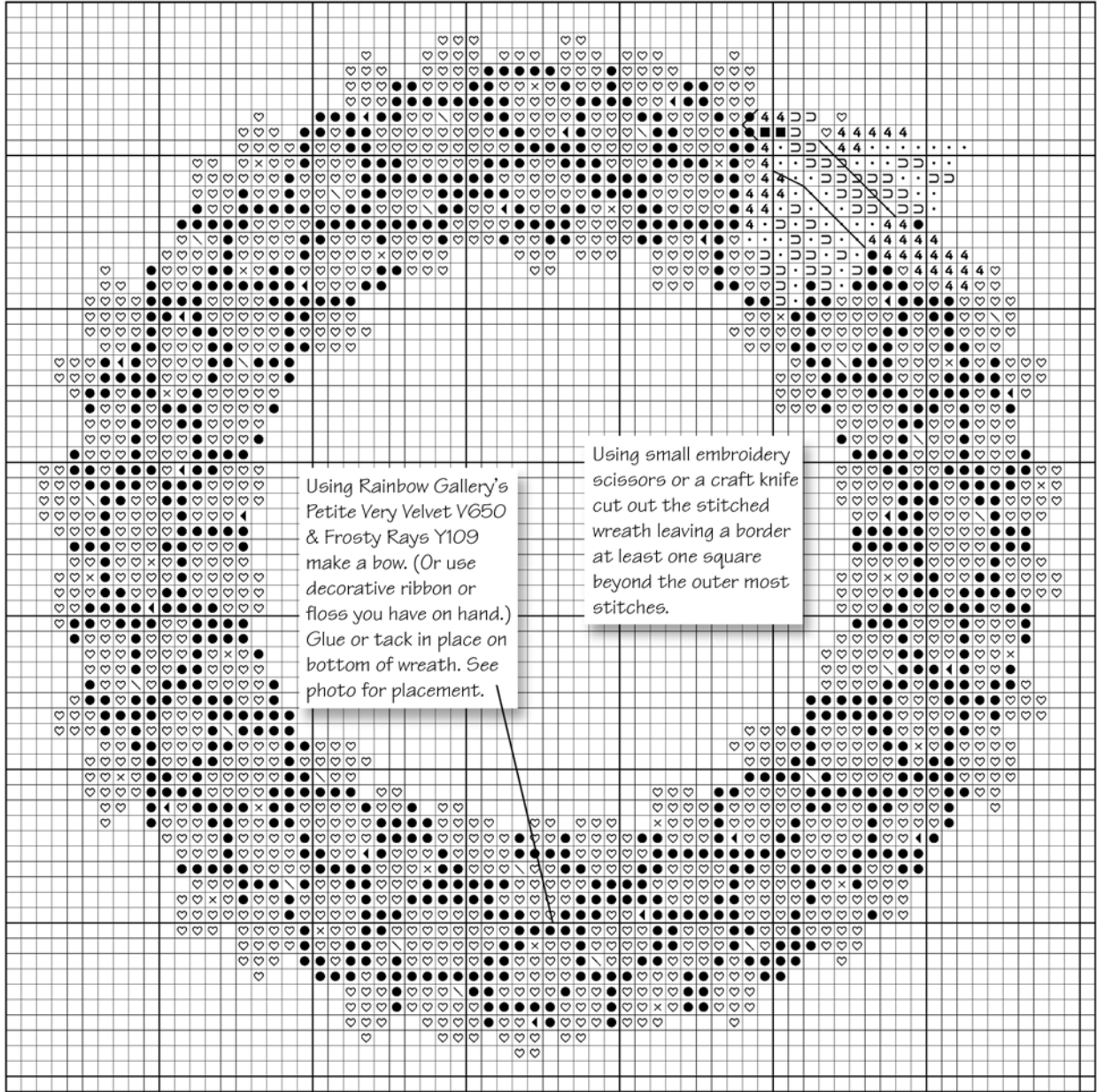
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Using Rainbow Gallery's Petite Very Velvet V650 & Frosty Rays Y109 make a bow. (Or use decorative ribbon or floss you have on hand.) Glue or tack in place on bottom of wreath. See photo for placement.

Using small embroidery scissors or a craft knife cut out the stitched wreath leaving a border at least one square beyond the outer most stitches.

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