

Huswif Needlecase
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Getting Started

- Please read all the instructions before starting.
- All seams are sewn with a 1/4" seam allowance.
- All stitching is completed using 2 strands of DMC floss.

Fabric Requirements

1/3 yard of printed cotton for outer layer.

8" x 20" piece of low loft batting.

6" x 8" piece of black felted wool.

11" x 42" piece of aged muslin (or fabric of your choice) for inside.

Additional Supplies

#310 (black) DMC floss

water soluble marking pen

button

8" piece of narrow black ribbon

#01 black Pigma pen

Instructions

With a water soluble marking pen and starting at the bottom edge of the aged muslin (or inside fabric), measure and draw a line across the width of the fabric at the 6" and 22" marks as indicated on the enclosed diagram. These lines will be the top of the pocket folds.

Referring to both the photo and the diagram and using a black Pigma pen, transfer the line drawings in the appropriate spaces about 1/4" down from the top fold line using either a light box or a window during daylight hours. Make sure that they are centered before tracing the designs.

Back stitch the designs using #310 DMC floss.

With the black felted wool and using the pattern provided, cut out the scissor holder and using the photo as your guide, blanket stitch to the background fabric leaving the top open.

From the same wool, cut a 4" x 4" square. Fold in half to find the center and machine stitch down the inside center from top to bottom to attach to the aged muslin. Refer to the pattern and photo for placement.

Fold the piece of ribbon in half to find the center. At the center, tack it to the aged muslin about a ½" over and up from the top edge of the wool scissor holder.

Creating the Pockets

The first pocket is created by folding the inside stitched fabric at the first or 6" marked line. Draw this up to about ¼" from the bottom of the center stitched design. Press and pin to secure. Stitch a running stitch across the width of the fabric ¼" down from the top of the fold.

Repeat everything as above for the second pocket at the 22" marked line.

Trim to 8" wide.

Assembling

Cut the batting and outside printed cotton to 8" x 20" each.

Position the stitched inside piece on top of the batting and then place both on top of the **wrong** side of the printed fabric and pin through all layers to secure.

Use the template provided and cut the three layers to form the curved top. Using the outer edge of the template as your guide, trim through all three layers to 7" wide.

Machine baste just under ¼" from outside edge all the way around to secure the three layers.

Finishing

Make 2" of cording by braiding 3 doubled strands of the DMC floss. Make a loop and center on the top curved edge on the outside or printed cotton fabric with the raw edges facing the outer edge and the loop pointing away from the outer edge and baste in place. The binding will be sewn over the raw edges to secure it.

Bind in the usual manner but with strips that have been cut on the bias because of the curved top.

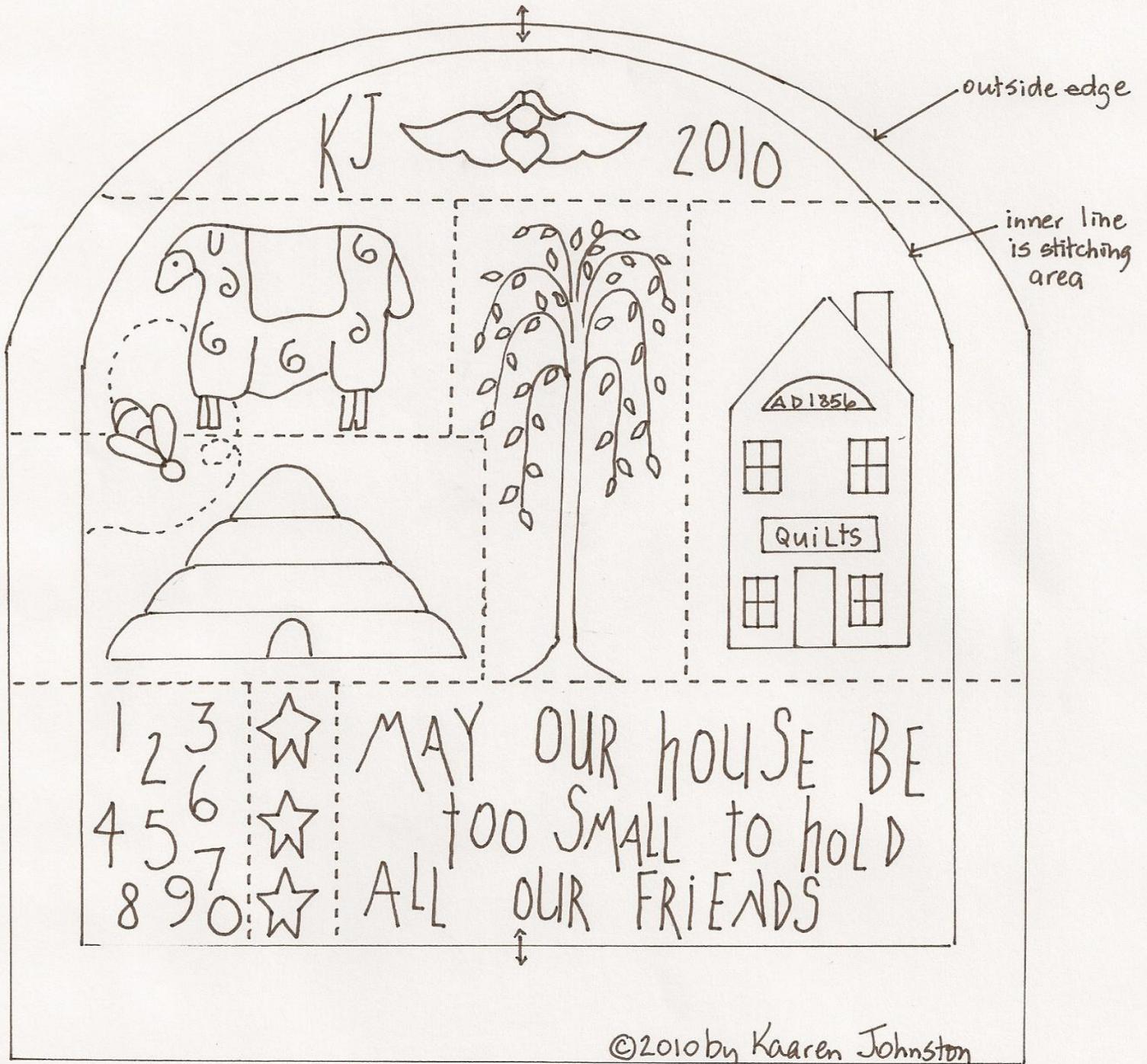
On the outside or printed fabric, center the button 8" up from the bottom and stitch into place and that's it! All done for you to admire and enjoy!

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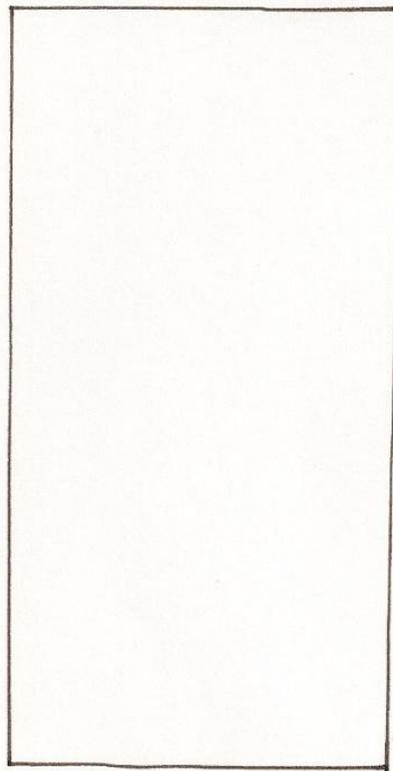
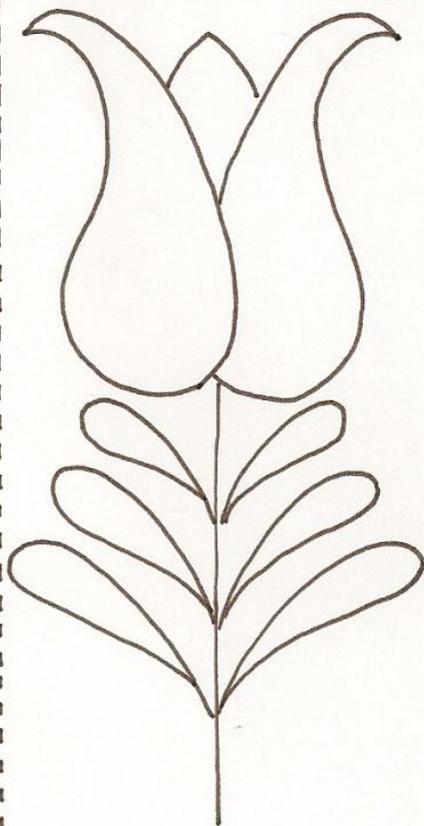
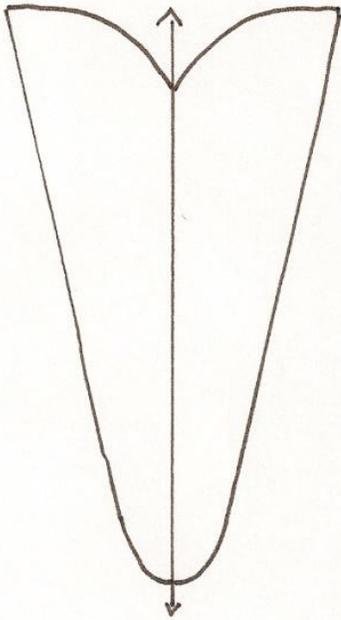
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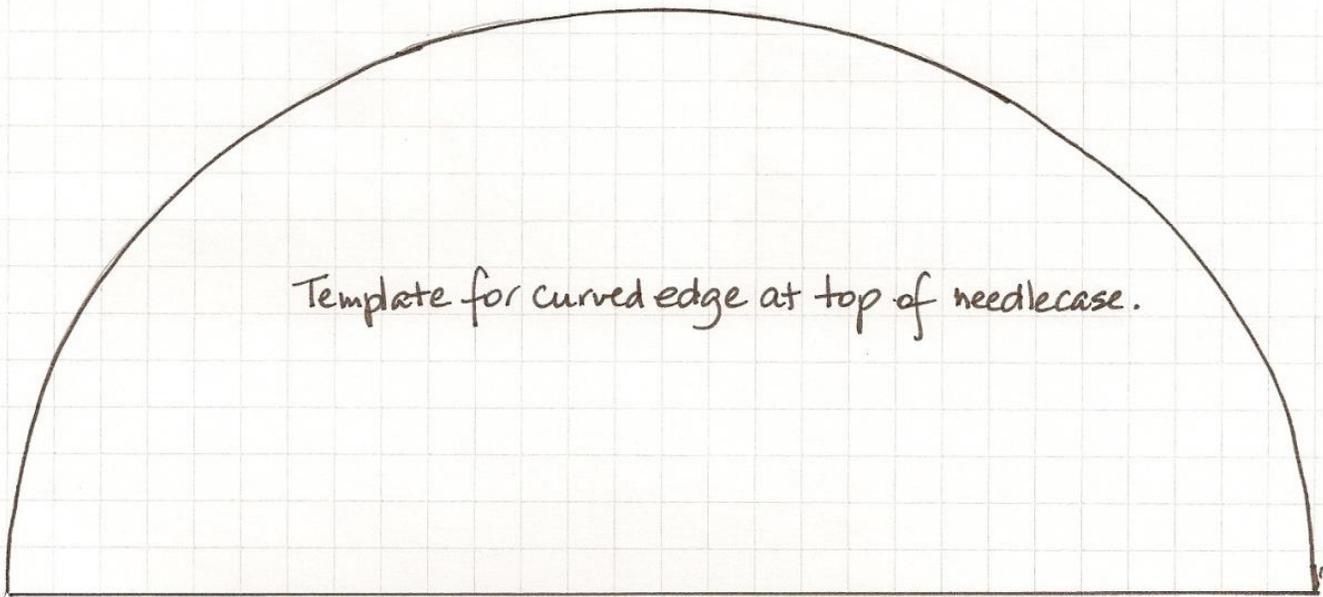
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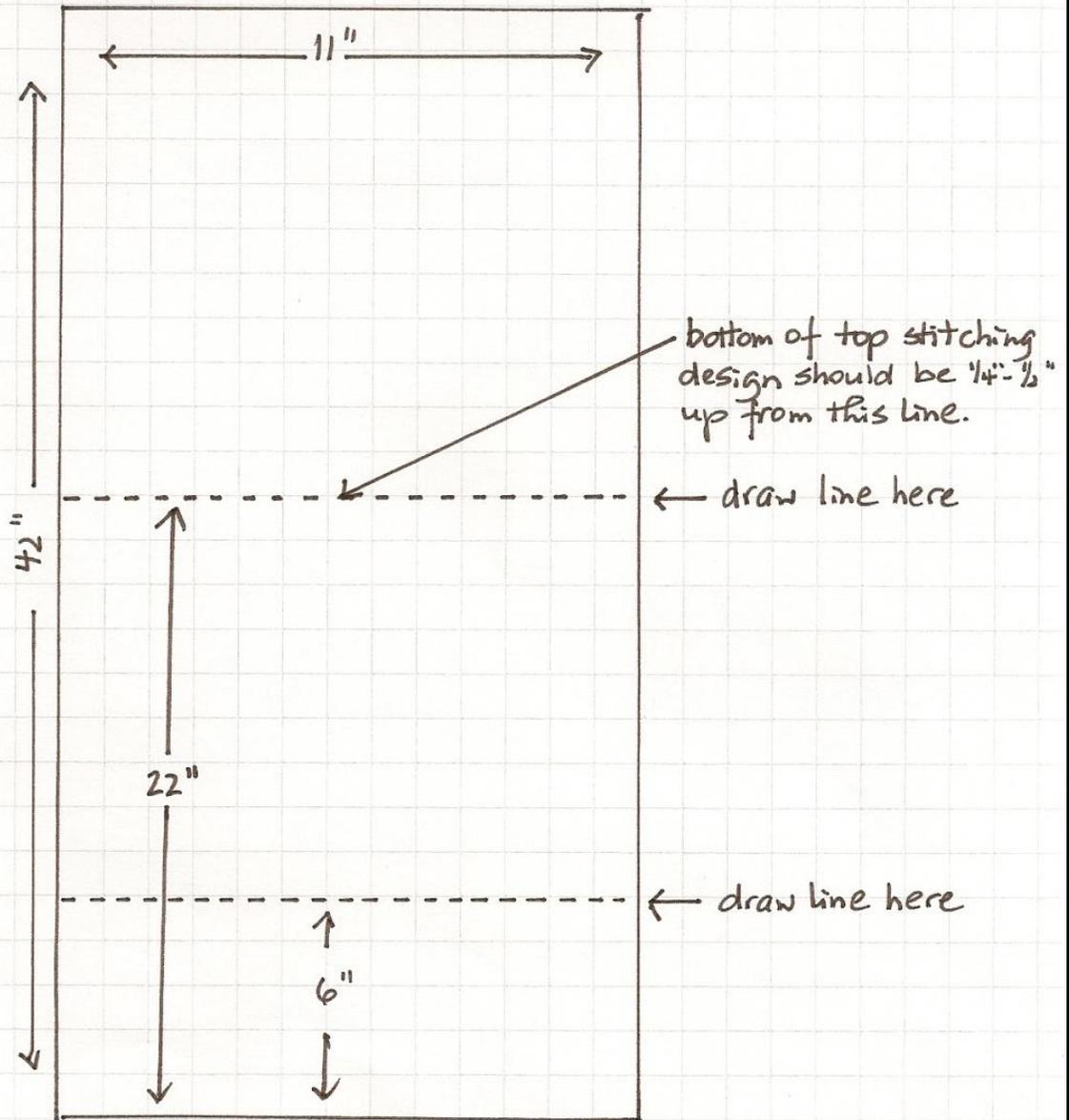
HANDS TO WORK



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Template for curved edge at top of needlecase.



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