BEE-UTIFUL QUILT-A-LONG by Pamela Morgan of Sweet Little Stitches for Moda Bake Shop





BLOCK 11 - BEE INDUSTRIOUS

All steps use 3 strands of floss unless otherwise specified.

Stitches are denoted in *italics*. Colors of thread are in ALL CAPS.

INGREDIENTS

- •10 ½" Square Background Fabric
- •Various shades of six-strand embroidery floss
- •4" or 5" Embroidery Hoop
- •Hand Embroidery Needles
- •Frixion or other erasable thin-lined fabric pen

Step 1:Trace block design on to background fabric using desired method.

Step 2: *Backstitch* the outline of the tractor, the axle to the steering wheel, and the tractor seat using JOHN DEERE GREEN floss.

Step 3: Use GOLDEN YELLOW floss and *back-stitch* the tractor wheels and the tiny ears of corn.

Step 4: With BLACK floss, *backstitch* the tires, the bottom section of the smokestack, the tractor grille, and the steering wheel. Then, using the same floss, *satin stitch* the holes in the small wheel.

Step 5: *Stem stitch* the smoke with VERY LIGHT GRAY floss.

Step 6: Use DARK GRAY floss to backstitch the top section of the smokestack.

Step 7: *Backstitch* the grass, using AVOCADO GREEN floss.

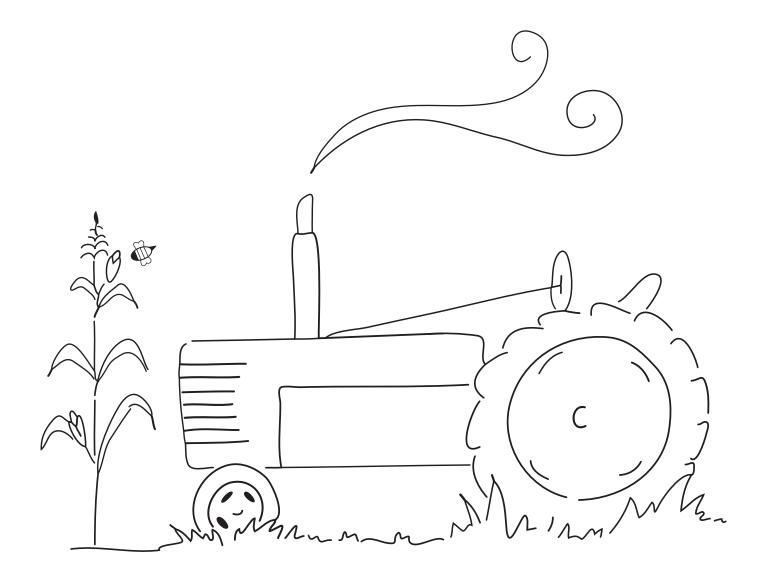
Step 8: Use a LIGHT GREEN floss to *backstitch* the corn stalk.

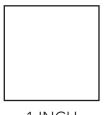
Step 9: Stitch the bee's wings using a *lazy daisy stitch* done in LIGHT GRAY FLOSS.

Step 10: *Satin stitch* the bee's body using a GOLDEN YELLOW floss.

Step 11: With BLACK floss, *satin stitch* the bee's head, stripes, and stinger.

Step 12: Remove block from hoop and press with hot iron under pressing cloth or fluffy towel. Trim to 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " square. If desired, machine topstich a scant 1/8" around all sides to keep from unraveling while working on other blocks.





1 INCH Do not print to scale.