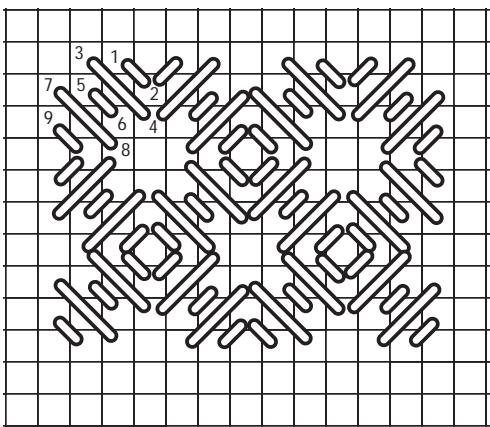
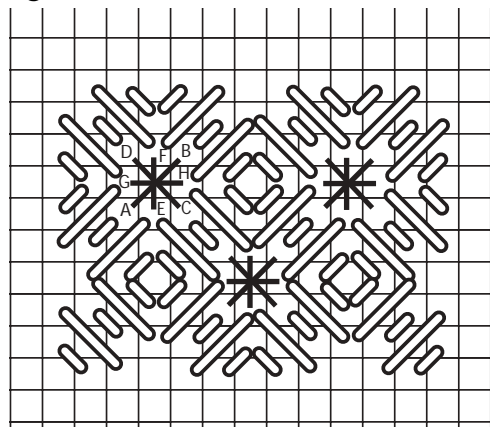


Star Octagon



STEP 1



STEP 2

This stitch is a variation of the diagonal mosaic stitch. It is easy to do and gives a great effect. Consider using this stitch for flowers, gardens, fields, even starry skies - anything you want dotted with texture.

Following the diagrams above begin with step 1, working the diagonal stitches throughout your entire area compensating the length of the stitches as necessary. The diagonal stitches look great when worked in either a solid or an overdyed thread. Lay your stitches smoothly if you are working with multiple plies!

Fill in the crossed stitches with the same color thread in a different texture for a subtle effect, blend Very Fine #4 Braid with your main color for a little sparkle, or use a contrasting color and texture for even more punch.

Imagine a field covered in wild flowers. Stitch step 1 in an overdyed thread such as Watercolors or floss overdye and fill in step 2 randomly with different colors of Neon Rays for your flowers. Suddenly you are a master gardener.

A starry sky can begin with dark blue Ribbon Floss and be accented with silver metallic stars or blue metallic stars.

There is a tiny open spot where the diagonal stitches meet. You can leave this open or embellish it as you like with beads or French Knots. The possibilities are endless.