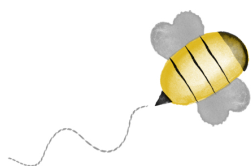


BEE-UTIFUL QUILT-A-LONG

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BLOCK 17 - BEE HAPPY

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
- 5 Small scraps hand-dyed wool (optional)
- 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: Applique small circles of wool to flower centers using desired method. Attach to background fabric using either machine or hand *blanket stitch* done in BLACK floss. If desired, this step can be skipped, and you can fill the flower centers with stitches of your choosing.

Step 3: *Backstitch* the sunflower petals. I used GOLDEN YELLOW, BURNT ORANGE, and BURGUNDY floss. Feel free to make your own color selections.

Step 4: Use AVOCADO GREEN floss and a *threaded backstitch* for the sunflower stems. Continue with the same floss and *backstitch* the leaves and their veins.

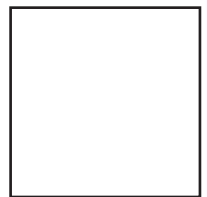
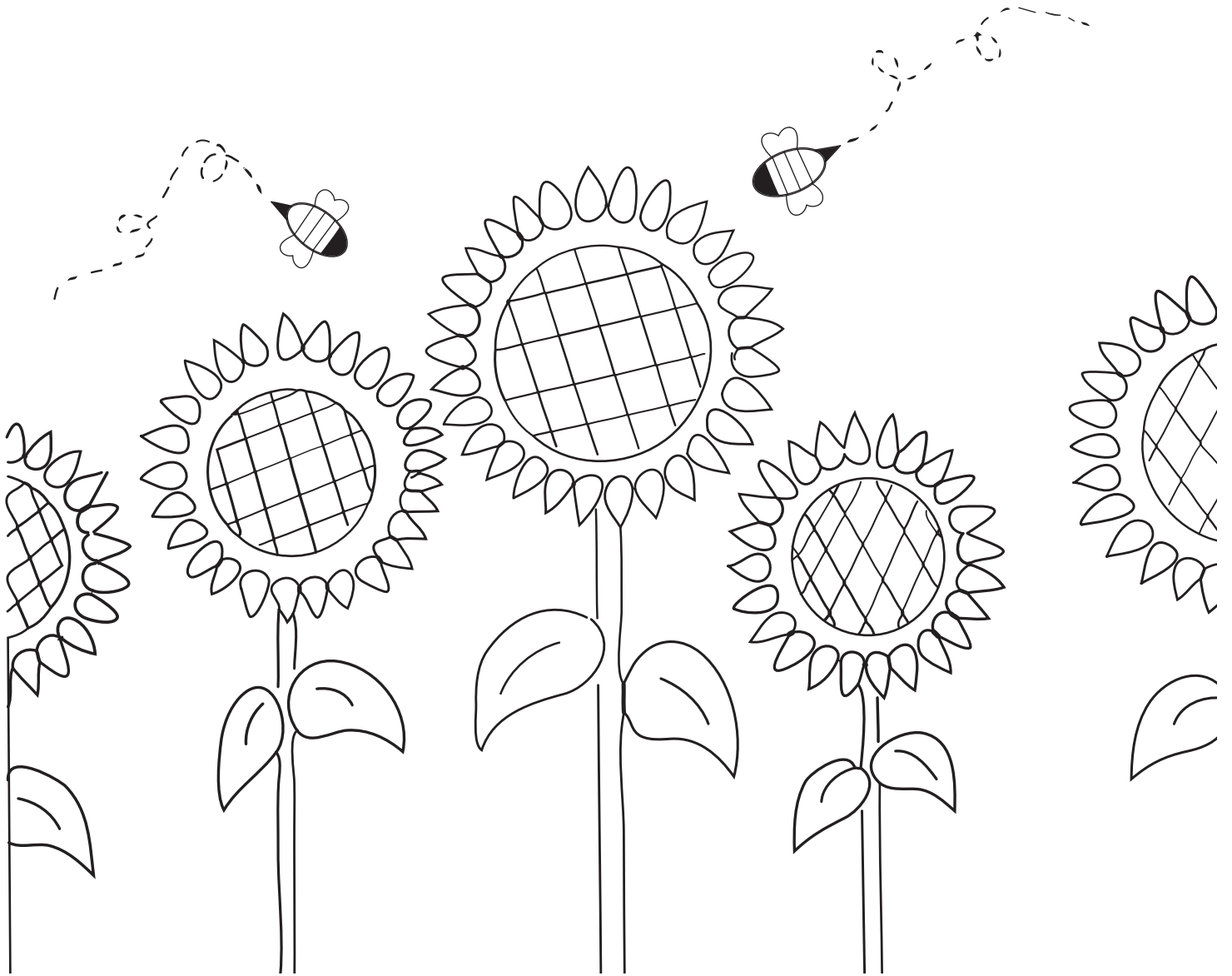
Step 5: Using LIGHT GRAY floss, *backstitch* the bees' wings.

Step 6: Use a *running stitch* done in VERY LIGHT GRAY floss for the bees' flight paths.

Step 7: With GOLDEN YELLOW floss, *satinstitch* the bees' bodies.

Step 8: Using BLACK floss, *satinstitch* the bees' heads, stripes, and stingers.

Step 9: Remove block from hoop and press with hot iron under pressing cloth or fluffy towel. Trim to 8 ½" square. If desired, machine topstitch a scant 1/8" around all sides to keep from unraveling while working on other blocks.



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