

# Mother's Day Flower Basket Tea Towel

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Enjoy this Olde Fashioned Basket of Flowers **Freebie** project from Bird Brain Designs!

Embroider a pretty basket of flowers for Mother or someone else special to you – a spring towel to have in your kitchen, too. Stitched in several shades of #8 Perle Cotton, have fun and embroider in just an evening or two.

We have a Yellow Stripe Tea Towel **plus ALL the shades** of #8 Perle cotton so you can stitch right away.

## **FUN AND FREE!**

Just print out the project pattern and get to work.

Our Yellow Towel and #8 Perle cotton is available too online for you at a special price of \$5.00.

Happy Spring and Mother's Day from us to you.

## **Embroidery Instructions**

- Wash your tea towel in the washer and dryer before stitching. Iron with a steam iron.
- Place the basket design pattern on a light box or in a bright window, tape down.
  - Place the washed and ironed tea towel over the pattern. Tape securely.
  - Trace your design on your towel with a blue or red Pigma permanent marker.
- Lines are Back Stitch, dots are French Knots, Loops are Lazy Daisies, Broken lines are Running Stitch and all flower centers are Satin Stitch.

## **Basket**

- With Back Stitch complete basket and handle with gold.
- Highlight bottom and band on basket with blue Running Stitch.
  - With blue Back Stitch, add the ribbon and bow.

## **Flowers and Leaves**

- With green Back Stitch add the leaves.

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- With green Back Stitch create the stem lines and finish with alternating Lazy Daisy leaves.
  - Add French Knot buds in dark peach on stems at top and right side of basket.
    - Satin Stitch all flower centers with gold.
  - With blue, Back Stitch the forget-me-knot blossoms on left side.
- The center flower has a rose Back Stitched outline with Lazy Daisies around the center.
- The left flower has a dark peach Back Stitched outline with Lazy Daisies around the center.
  - Happy Stitching!

### Materials Needed

- Yellow Striped cotton Tea Towel
- DMC #8 Perle cotton (3 strands of embroidery floss ok, too).
  - 2 yards 356 – Dark Peach
    - 4 yards – 783 Gold
    - 5 yards – 931 Blue
  - 3 yards – 3346 Green
    - 2 yards – 3687 Rose
- 7" locking embroidery hoop (our Morgan Hoop is BEST).
  - #4 Crewel needle

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