

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Blackwork Journey – Designs by Elizabeth Almond



"The love of family and friends is the glue
that holds your heart together."

J. Betts



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- Legend:
- ♥ ■ DMC-820
 - Backstitches:
— DMC-820
 - French Knots:
⦿ DMC-820
 - Beads:
○ MHG-557

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Grid Size: 62W x 62H
Design Area: 4.14" x 4.14" (58 x 58 stitches)

Legend:

♥ ■ [2] DMC-820 ANC-133 DLE- royal blue - vy dk

Backstitch Lines:

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French Knots:

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Beads:

○ MHG-557 Mill Hill Glass Beads-Gold

Family and Friends

Throughout 2020 and into 2021 friends and family have never been more important. Families have been separated, elderly members of the community isolated and stressed but, throughout this difficult period many friends, neighbours, complete strangers and communities have come together to support, help and encourage others. Stitch this as a small gift for those that you love or have made a difference to your life.

Design Area: 4.86 x 4.86 inches (68 x 68 stitches)

Material: Zweigart 28 count evenweave, antique white or cream, inches or, Zweigart 14 count Aida, 8 x 8 inches minimum

Note: If Aida fabric is used be aware there are some split blocks. Use a sharp needle.

Threads:

The design is worked in DMC stranded floss, one skein.

Different colours and variegated threads can be used for all or part of the design. The choice is yours!

Mill Hill glass beads MGH 557 gold, two beads

Tapestry needle No 24 Small embroidery ring or frame

Stitches used:

Back stitch, one strand

Cross stitch, two strands

French or Colonial knots, two strands

Method:

1. Fold the fabric into quarters and find the centre point. Mount the embroidery in a frame. The fabric should be 'drum tight'. Back stitch - one strand, cross stitch - two strands.

2. Starting from the centre point work the letters 'Hope'. Complete each letter on turn. Add the back stitch (one strand), round the cross stitch (two strands), for a neater finish. Do not take the thread from word to word or up and down as it will show through on the front of the work. Work the back stitch border in one strand round the words.

3. Place the finished embroidery face down on a soft towel and press lightly!

Stay safe and happy stitching,

Liz