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"Kindred Spirits" Wool Appliqué Finishing Idea

I decided to add some wool to the finishing of "Kindred Spirits"

I use the **Freezer Paper Method**: Take your paper copy of the pattern pieces, lay the freezer paper (paper side up-non shiny) on top of this copy of pattern pieces. Now trace the pattern onto the freezer paper. Group the pattern pieces that will be cut from the same wool color together, this makes it easier when saving on wool. Iron the freezer paper onto the wool and then cut the pieces out. Tear off the paper and you are ready to appliqué them onto your work. It is so hard to trace onto wool pattern pieces and this is just wonderful. I use this method instead on the Heat n Bond when I want my pieces to stand out from the fabric and not be ironed down flat.

You will have 4 large flowers and 4 small flowers with 12 leaves along with 4 circle centers for the large flowers.

Pick your wool to match your chairs and your color choices. Overdyed wool looks wonderful for the flowers as it gives nice shading.

To make the larger flowers stand out more I made a small gathering stitch from the center of each flower around each petal and a gentle tug to pucker the petals to stand out. I then tacked my large flowers down with the yellow centers on top and made clusters of French knots with 6 strands of white floss. I also did this for the smaller flowers. The leaves are just tacked by a running stitch down the centers of each leaf with matching thread.

Here are the pattern pieces ready for you to copy. Refer to the color photo for placement of pieces. I finished mine on a thick mounting board and finished it with a cord that I made form yarn. ENJOY!!! donna



