

Plastic Canvas Needlepoint

Supplies:

- Yarn
- Plastic canvas
- Scissors
- Marker
- Yarn needle
- Yarn threader (optional)



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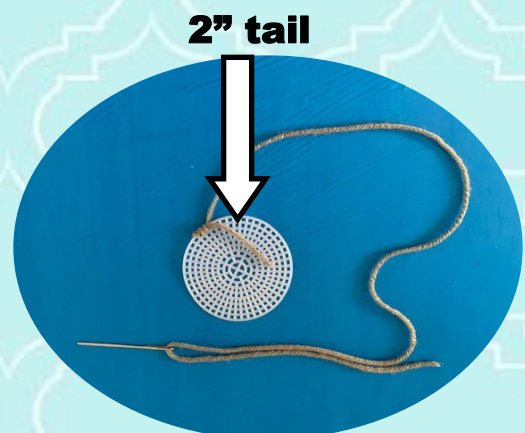


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Getting started:

1. Prior to starting, think about your design, sketch it out on a piece of scrap paper. Use the marker to make a guide on the plastic canvas.
2. Thread the needle (as shown above) and bring yarn through the canvas leaving about a 2" tail on the backside. You will need to tack the tail down as you start your design.
3. There are many types of stitches to use such as a running stitch, backstitch, straight stitch, choose what works best for your project.
4. We chose to start by covering the edges of our canvas, I put 2 loops through each square going completely around and continuing through the next 3 rows.



5. When switching colors you will need to run the needle under 3 or 4 stitches, a knot is not necessary as the tension will hold the yarn in place.
6. You can purchase larger sheets of plastic canvas and cut to shapes or letters. To finish a project cut a slightly smaller piece of felt than your design and glue with felt glue or glue gun. Adding magnets are also a fun addition to your project!



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