

CAMP WONDERLAND

12" x 12" Block #8 – February 21, 2021 Winter Wonderland Mystery Sew-A-Long Designed by Glenda Sha Liberty Homestead

This is your free download for my block for the Winter Wonderland Mystery Sew-A-Long. 12" x 12" is the finished size of the block. I've combined wool applique with lots of embellishments — we especially love little buttons! I hope you enjoy my design!

FABRICS, THREADS, EMBELLISHMENTS

This is a list of everything I used in my block, all of which are included in my fabric kit & my embellishment kit.

FABRIC KIT:

COTTON BACKGROUND: 14" x 14" square.

WOOL:

Red – Fire = 4" x 4 ½"

Orange – Fire = 4" x 4 ½"

Gold Herringbone – Fire & Tent Flap = 4" x 4 ½"

Orange Herringbone – Tent = 5" x 6 ½"

Ivory – Snowmen = 5 ½" x 8 ½"

Teal – Sign = 3" x 5"

Dark Green – Trees = 5 ½" x 8"

Light Green – Tree = 3" x 3"

Yellow – Moon = 2 ½" x 3"

Brown – Logs & Sign Posts = 5 ½" x 6"

Black – Rocks = 3" x 4"

Blue – Tent Patch = 1 ½" x 1 ½"

Pale Green – Tent Patch = 1 ½" x 1 ½"

Orange Wool Felt – Noses = 1 ½" x 1 ½"

EMBELLISHMENT KIT:

Pink, Grey, & Yellow Wool Felt + (2) Pink Pom- Poms, (2) Red Pom-Poms, & (1) Red Heart Button – Ear Muffs & Hat.

Pre-Printed Signs & Ric-Rac Trim.

Red, Orange, & Yellow Star Buttons for the Camp Fire.

Yellow Stars in the Sky.

Black Mini-Buttons - Snowman Eyes.

Brown Skinny Twine - Marshmallow Poles.

Camp Wonderland Alphabet Beads & Spacers.

DMC Embroidery Floss.

PREPARE YOUR FABRICS

On your 14" x 14" background fabric draw or mark off a 12 ½" x 12 ½" square; this will be your cut line. This will help you position your wool pieces within the cut size & the ¼" seam allowances.

Also, I used an iron on fusible for my wool applique — I like Heat 'N Bond Lite or Featherlite. Not necessarily to fuse to the background — more to give my wool a little body when working with it. It also helps to keep the cut edges clean while you work with it.

I used DMC embroidery floss for all my stitching. I used 2 strands and a buttonhole stitch around most of the wool pieces, and a simple overcast stich with regular sewing thread for others.

And another thing – I got a little "crafty" with some parts. To this end, you'll need a clear drying fabric glue and some toothpicks to apply it.

WOOL APPLIQUE

Before working with the wool pieces, iron on your fusible. Make templates of the pattern pieces as shown. Reverse the templates (if necessary) and trace them on the paper fusible - cut out along these lines. Remove the paper backing before working with the wool. I'm not familiar with other fusibles, but the Heat 'N Bond leaves a smooth finish on the back of the wool and is very easy to handle and work with.

CAMPFIRE: Begin with the Campfire. Center it left to right and make a semi-circle with the rocks, placing them about 5/8" above the 12 ½" cut line. I used (7) rocks. Next stack your Brown wool logs -I used (5) - overlap the top edges. Position your Red wool fire piece over the logs. Lay the Orange & Gold fire pieces on the Red as shown in the photo. This whole unit should measure about 4" across and 4 3/4" top to bottom (tip of the Red flame to bottom edge of the rocks). Fuse all these pieces in place. Stitch around all the fire pieces & the logs with 2 strands of DMC floss and a buttonhole stitch - Red on the Red wool, Orange on the Orange wool, and Dark Gold on the Gold fire & the logs. For the Black rocks do a simple overcast stitch and Black sewing thread.

TREES & TENT:

Lay out these pieces using the photo as a guide. First position the tall tree in the upper right corner. The top of the tree and the tip of the bottom branch should each be $\frac{1}{2}$ " from your outside cut lines – $\frac{1}{4}$ " in from the seam line. Next the Orange Herringbone tent. Lay this over the tree. The top edge of the tent should be about 2 3/8" from the cut line – the bottom right corner of the tent should be about $\frac{1}{2}$ " in from the side cut line. Next place the two short trees along the top edge of the tent. Fuse these pieces in place. Stitch the tent all around with the Orange floss & a buttonhole stitch. Stitch the trees with a simple overcast stitch & matching Green sewing thread.

Next place the Gold Herringbone tent flap right next to the edge of the tent – match the top edges – the flap is a bit shorter than the tent. Place the two small circles for the small snowboy under the edge of the flap as shown, so he's leaning out from behind (like he's protecting himself from melting in the campfire). Fuse these pieces in place. Stitch the tent flap with the Dark Gold floss and a buttonhole stitch. Stitch the snowman with the Grey floss.

Now position the front tree in front of the tent as shown. The bottom branch should be about 5/8" in from the cut edge & the bottom of the trunk should be about 3 7/8" up from the bottom cut edge. Arrange the 3 circles for the tall snowlady half-way behind the tree as shown — fuse in place. Stitch the tree & snowlady the same as the others.

WONDERLAND SIGN & MOON:

First cut (2) sign posts from the Brown wool. Cut each one 3/8" x 4". Place the left post ¾" in from the left side cut line and about 2 ¾" down from the top cut line. Place the Teal wool sign over the posts as shown in the photo. Position the Yellow moon above the sign. Now position the two circles for the small snowgirl under the left post, like she's leaning out from behind it. Fuse these pieces in place. Use a buttonhole stitch and the Green floss for the sign, the Dark Gold for the posts, the Grey for the snowgirl, and the Yellow for the moon.

WARNING SIGNS:

These two signs come preprinted in my embellishment kit. If you didn't buy the kit you can hand stitch them on a scrap of fabric. Next cut (2) sign posts — each about ¼" wide. The post for the "Danger" sign should be about 1 ¾" tall and the 10' Pole sign about 1 ¼".

If you have my pre-printed signs, iron on your fusible to the fabric before you cut out the signs. Cut them out just barely inside the dotted lines.

Position each of the signs and posts as shown in the photo – the edges of the signs and the top edges of the posts should just meet, not overlap. Fuse in place. Stitch the posts in place with the Dark Gold floss and a small overcast stitch.

SNOW:

Cut out the "snowbanks". Place the (2) longer ones under the edge of the tent and at the bottom of the Wonderland sign posts. Place the smaller (3) at the bottom of the front tree trunk and the (2) small sign posts. Stitch these in place with matching sewing thread and simple overcast stitches.

Next are the (3) snowpeople arms. Lay the arms over each snowman as shown, aimed at the campfire. Cut a length of the Brown twine (marshmallow sticks) as shown — lay one end under each of the arms and fuse the arms in place. Stitch all around each with the Grey floss.

FINISHING:

Position the (2) small "patches" on the tent as shown. Use (3) strands of the Grey floss to stitch them down using long straight stitches.

CAMP WONDERLAND:

Use (2) strands of the Green floss to string the Alphabet beads & spacers. "CAMP" should be centered on the sign about 1/4" down from the top. Measure in just over 1" from one edge - bring your threaded needle up from behind. String the beads with a small bead in between each letter. Then put the needle down to the back. Take a small stitch between the "A" and the "M" to keep the letters in a straight line. Do the same for "Wonderland" stringing the letters & the beads. Bring your needle up from the back about 1/2" in from one edge and about 5/8" up from the bottom edge of the sign. String all the letters and beads, then bring your needle down about 1/2" in from the other edge, again about 5/8" up from the bottom. Your letters should drape as shown. Take another small stitch between the "E" & the "R" to keep it in place, letting the rest drape loosely.

Sew the (7) yellow star buttons in the sky. Sew the Red, Orange, & Yellow-Gold star buttons in and around the campfire.

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IT'S GLUE TIME!

Use a clear drying fabric glue for these little final touches:

Use a few small drops of glue to glue down the twine "marshmallow sticks". These should aim right at the campfire. Now cut out (3) "marshmallows" from the Ivory wool and use just a drop of glue to stick them over the poles. With matching sewing thread use a small overcast stitch all around each one. Now, with (2) strands of the grey floss make long stitches on each side of each of the marshmallows with little diagonal stitches at each corner to help define the shapes.

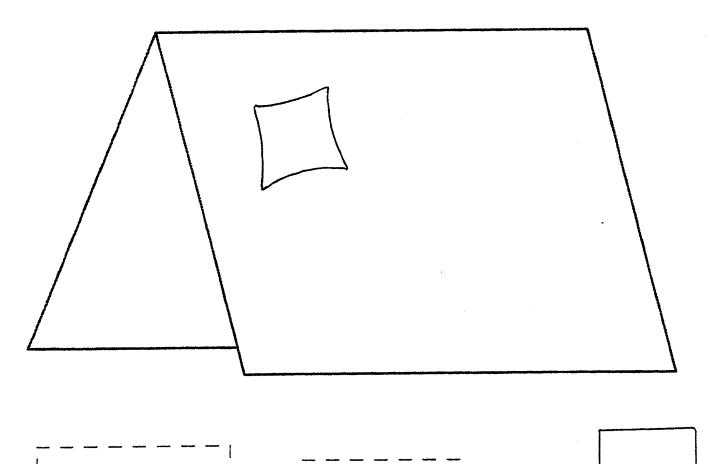
Cut small lengths of the Orange ric-rac to frame the (2) small signs. Do one side at a time. Cut a length to fit one side. Put a couple drops of glue right along the edge of the sign and lay the ric-rac over it. Cut a second length to fit the next side & glue it down. Go all around each sign this way.

Cut tiny carrot noses from the Orange wool felt. Arrange one nose and (2) little Black buttons for the eyes on each snowman. Glue each piece in place.

Cut (1) Pink "ear muff" and (1) Grey one. Lay these right along the edges of the heads of the two small snowmen and glue in place. Place a drop of glue at the ends of each and stick on the pom-poms.

To make "mama's" hat first cut out the half circle from the Yellow wool felt. With (2) or (3) strands of the Red floss make a small gathering stitch across the bottom, about 1/8" up from the edges. Gather slightly and tie off the thread. Sew the Red heart button to one side. Place the hat over the top of mama's head and glue in place.

That's it! Enjoy your marshmallow roast at Camp Wonderland! Just don't get too close to the fire!



DANGER! Melting Zone

10' Pole Required

1 Inch Printing Guide

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