Springberries Needlecase

Requirements:
- 15 cm cream background fabric
- 10 cm candy stripe
- 20 cm blue floral fabric
- 20 cm iron on pellon
- 1½ in x 10 in strip of wool felt & vliesofix
- DMC 4130 variations
- DMC 597

Fabric range used in sample:
Sonnet Collection by April Cornell of Moda

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Spring time is my favorite season, the weather is getting warmer, flowers come alive and creatures awaken, enjoy stitching your own little piece of spring with Cinderberry Stitches new design – Springberries Needlecase

- Fabric requirements are based on a fabric width of 42 inches (107cm). All seams are sewn with a ¼” seam allowance.

- Press seams as you complete each step, and remember – measure twice, cut once!

- Copy the stitchery design using a light source (window or light box) tape your fabric over the design and copy using a fine micron sepia pen or pencil.

- All stitching is completed with two threads of DMC cotton, unless noted.

- Stitches used throughout this pattern are: back stitch, satin stitch and straight stitch

Cutting requirements:

Background fabric cut:
One 4in x 5½in rectangle

Blue fabric cut:
Three 2in x 7½in strips
Two 6in x 12in rectangles

Stripe fabric cut:
Two 1½in x 4in strips
Two 1½in x 7½in strips
One 2in x 12in strip
Two 1½in x 7½in strips

Iron on pellon cut:
One 4in x 5½in rectangle
One 7½ x 12in rectangle

Handles cut:
Two 1¼ x 7½in strips

Red wool felt & Vliesofix cut:
1½in x 10in strip (from each)

Making the front panel

1. Copy the stitchery design to the centre of the background rectangle and fuse iron on pellon to the back – complete the stitchery using 2 strands of DMC#4130

2. Stitch two 1½in x 4in stripe strips to the top and bottom of your panel press and sew two 1½in x 7½in strips to each side, press and set aside.
Making the back panel

3. Lay the three blue 2in x 7½in strips and the remaining two 1½in x 7½in stripe strips together in alternate order and sew - pressing as you stitch each strip. This will be the back of your needle case.

4. Sew both panels together by stitching the back panel to the left side of the front, press and set aside.

Making the inner lining and pocket

5. Make the lining panel by sewing together the blue 6in x 12in rectangle and remaining stripe 2in x 12in strip.

6. The pocket is made from the other 6in x 12in blue rectangle, fold this in half length way with wrong sides together, position the pocket at the bottom of the panel with raw edges together – baste to hold.

The finishing touches

7. Lay the front and back panels together with right sides facing, sew around all sides leaving an opening of about 3in to one side.

8. Trim the corners to remove the bulk and turn right sides out through the opening – push out the corner and press flat, slip stitches the opening closed.

9. Make the handles by folding the two 1¼ x 7½in strips in half (right sides together) sew down the length and turn right sides out. Position the handles and stitch in place.

10. To complete your needlecase fuse the Vliesofix and red felt strips together – peel off the paper backing and position on your needlecase above the pocket, iron to hold in place and blanket stitch the edges using one strand of DMC#597

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