

# BEADED STOCKING ORNAMENT

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Hand beading looks impressive but is surprisingly easy when you use Coats Beading thread. This elegant velvet beaded ornament can adorn the tree, wreath or garlands.

## SUPPLIES:

Dual Duty XP® All Purpose Thread

Coats Beading Thread

Remnants: (approx. 5" x 6") of velvet and lining fabric

Paper-release fusible web

Size 10/0 seed beads: about 130

4mm x 7mm dagger beads: about 16

Beading needle

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Trace the pattern twice onto the fusible web's release paper. Roughly cut the web around the stocking outlines.
2. Fuse the web to the lining fabric, following manufacturer's instructions.
3. Cut out each stocking along the traced outlines. Remove the release paper and fuse the linings to the stocking fabric wrong side. Trim the stocking fabric to match the linings.
4. Sew the two stocking pieces, right sides together, with a 1/4" seam. Leave the top edge open. Clip the curves and turn the stocking right side out.
5. Press 1/2" to the wrong side along the stocking's upper edge. Topstitch 1/4" from the fold to secure the hem.
6. Thread the beading needle with Coats Beading Thread. Secure the thread 1/8" below the stocking upper edge at the heel seam and bring the threaded needle to the right side.

7. Thread a dagger bead and five seed beads onto the beading needle (A).



Insert the needle into the stocking from the right side, 1/4" from the stocking seam, and bring it back out at the stocking edge, halfway between the two points (B).



8. Lay the beads against the stocking, forming an upward arch with the five seed beads. Bring the thread through the arch of beads and back into the stocking at the upper edge, securing the bead arch between the second and third seed beads (C).



9. Bring the needle back to the stocking right side at the end of the seed bead arch and repeat steps 7 - 8 around the entire upper edge.



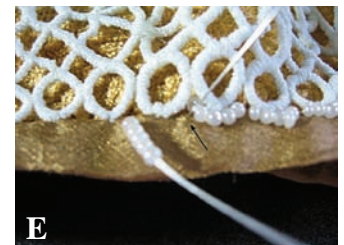
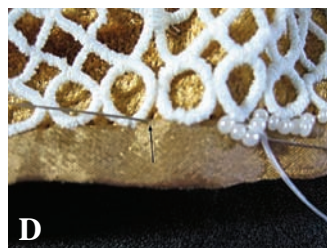
10. Secure a double strand of Coats Beading Thread to the heel seam at the upper edge. Thread 2 1/2" - 3" of seed beads onto the doubled thread. Secure the second end beside the first to create the hanging loop.

## Beading Instructions for Designs in Machine Embroidery Stocking

Follow the instructions above to add beaded accent stitching to the lacy velvet stocking featured in *Designs in Machine Embroidery's* (www.dzgn.com) November/December 2008 issue, omitting the dagger beads and hanging loop. The seed bead arches should follow the freestanding lace motifs' upper curves.



**NOTE:** The stocking beading was stitched with the stocking's open edge toward the embroiderer, working from right to left. Left-handed stitchers may find it easier to work in the opposite direction. (Photos D, E, F)



1/2" hem allowed on this edge

## Stocking Ornament Pattern

1/4" seam allowance  
included  
Cut 2

