

Temari Pattern 99AW02

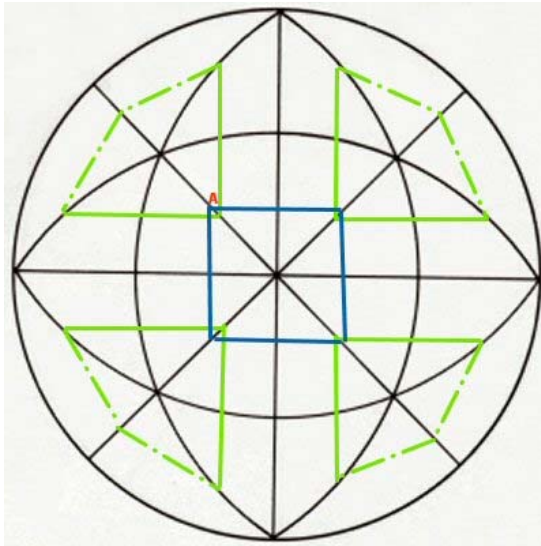
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Four Point Star

Anne submitted this photo as a "Bits Ball" sample and has been asked several times to share the pattern. While this one is worked as a Bits Ball, you certainly can work it in traditional color ways. The star is formed by stitching that sector of the pattern in one solid color, against a contrast in the other sector. Anne worked this one on a two inch mari, but it can be adapted to any size. Be advised that as an all-over pattern, it will use more thread so you should have enough on hand when you begin.

Wrap and mark a C8 - the mari wrap will not show in the finished temari, but it helps to use a color that will blend away from your stitching threads.



When you look at the C8 you will see 6 faces, each one a square. Now, when you look at the ball from the center of one of those faces, you will see 4 triangles that go from that center to the obi, (I know there's really no obi, just go with me. The "obi" in the diagram would be the outer circle of the diagram.) The top point of the triangle is on the diagonal marking line of the face you're looking at, and the bottom 2 points are on the diagonals of the adjacent faces. OK, now, on these diagonals, measure 1/3 of the way from the face centers (the distance shown from the center point to Point A on the diagram). All of your stitches will be on these diagonal lines.

You will be stitching 8 triangles and 6 squares to complete this pattern. The triangles are stitched from the 1/3 mark to the center of each face, and the squares will be stitched from the 1/3 mark to the corners of each face.

The star shape was achieved by stitching 2 rows on each square to 1 row on each triangle (alternating rows of triangles and rows of squares). I really can't tell you how many rows- just keep alternating between all the squares, then all the triangles until the base is completely covered. I really think this temari is so interesting because the "background" is so colorful. However, this pattern could be adapted to any size, and the number of squares vs. the number of triangles can be adjusted to fit, although a different ratio would produce a different shape to your stars.

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