**Boca Blossoms**

**By**

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12 x 12 inch tightly woven linen such as Strathaven or linen twill

Small practice piece of any medium-weight fabric

The sample was stitched using Appleton Crewel™ wool single strand in the following colors:

 Bright China Blue 741, 742, 744

 Peacock Blue 643, 644

 Green 404, 405

 Painters Thread - Picasso 109

 Kreinik #8 Bronze 052 HL (on spool can be shared)

 Chenille Needle #20-22

 Tapestry Needle #20-22

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Stretcher bars (not the mini size) to accommodate the linen or a 6”– 8” good quality wooden hoop

 Tacks (if stretcher bars are used)

 Mechanical pencil or #3 pencil

Permanent Pigma Micron Pen.05 for design application (I use sepia rather than black) This pen is easily available at a craft store or online. The group may share the pen.

**Do not use** water-soluble pens – disasters have occurred!

 Needle Threader

 Frame Weight or clamp if using a frame (or a heavy book)

 Embroidery Scissors

**TIP**:A note about Painters Threads: These threads are beautiful, but they are hand-dyed so colors may vary or darken. The thread also comes on a spool so it is wrapped under tension. As soon as I purchase a spool, I unwrap it into 18-inch lengths and let it hang loosely from a ring to “relax” a bit. I often use two strands as it is thinner than Appleton. Go to Threadnuts.com to see this thread.

Other options for a variegated look include Caron Impressions which comes in many lovely variegated colors, or Weeks Dye Works variegated floss or pearl in many variations. Both are available online if you are unable to find them in your local shop.

Other possible color options:

**Purple** 102, 103, 105, Painters Thread Frida 111, Green 404, 405

**Rose Pink** 751, 754, 755, Painters Thread Macke 101, Green 404,405

**Hyacinth** 893, 894, 895, Painters Thread 115 Grandma Moses, Green 401, 402