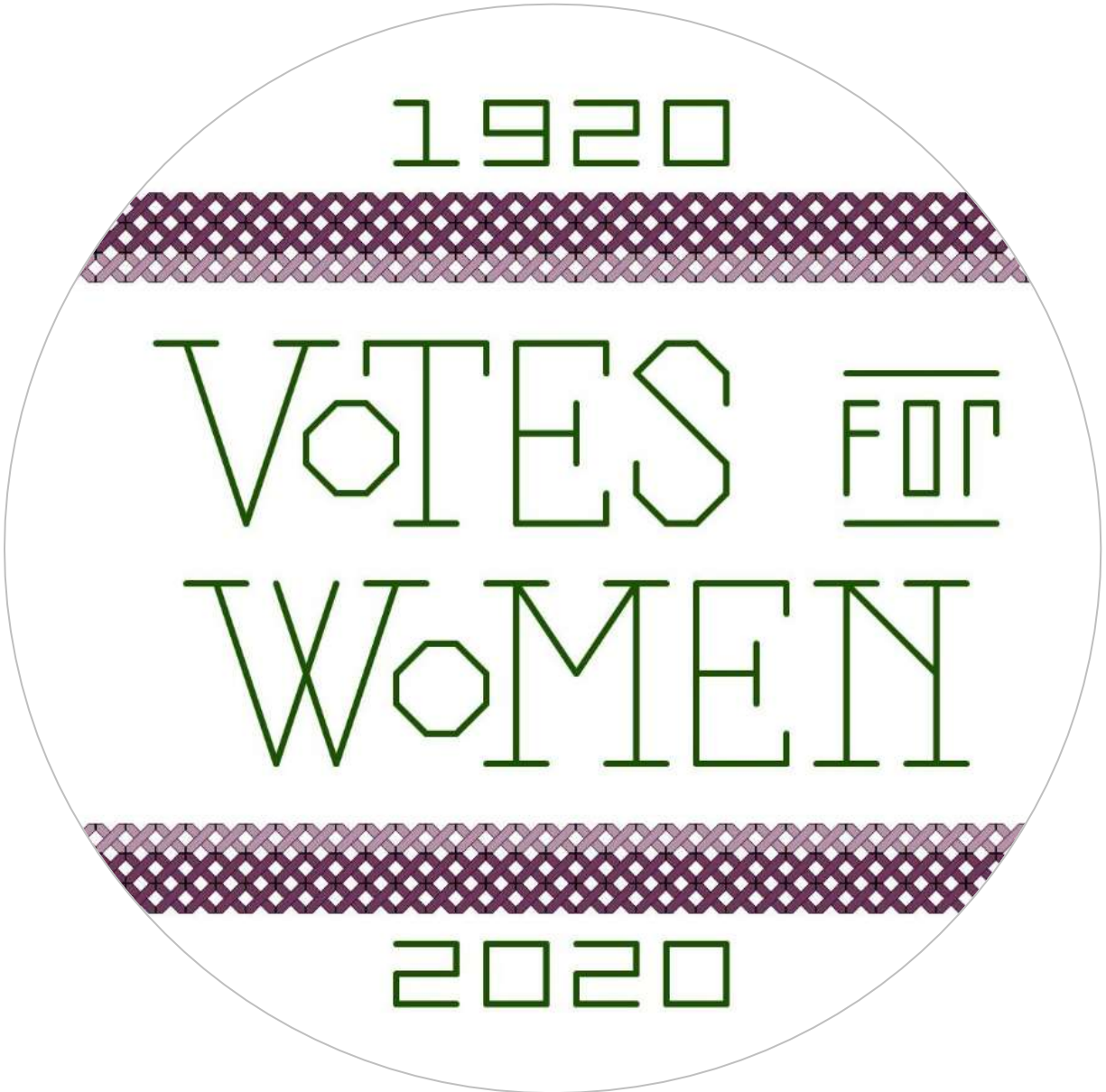


Suffragette Button
Cross Stitch Pattern



Cross Stitch Instruction

Cross stitch fabric is made up of small squares created by the crosswise and lengthwise woven threads. Each square represents a square on your pattern.

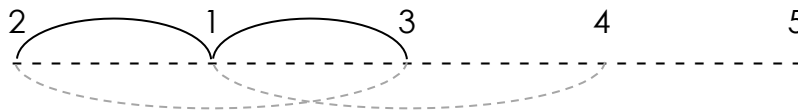
You may start at any point, but be sure to center the design on the fabric. To find the center of your fabric, fold it in half lengthwise and crosswise. On the pattern, count the number of squares from the center of the chart to where you wish to start. Then from the fabric's center, find your starting point by counting out the same number of stitches (or squares).

Thread your needle with 2 strands of embroidery floss. (There are 6 strands total.) Leave a long enough tail on the back side of your work so you can hold it in place while your first few stitches are worked over it. This secures your thread. Do not tie a knot in your thread.

Full stitches: Create each stitch using diagonal lines (left to right) then stitch back over the row (right to left), creating Xs.



Back stitches: Begin by bringing your needle up through the fabric (1) and then back down (2) to make a single stitch. Bring the needle back up a space away from the first stitch (3) and back down through the end of the first stitch (4).

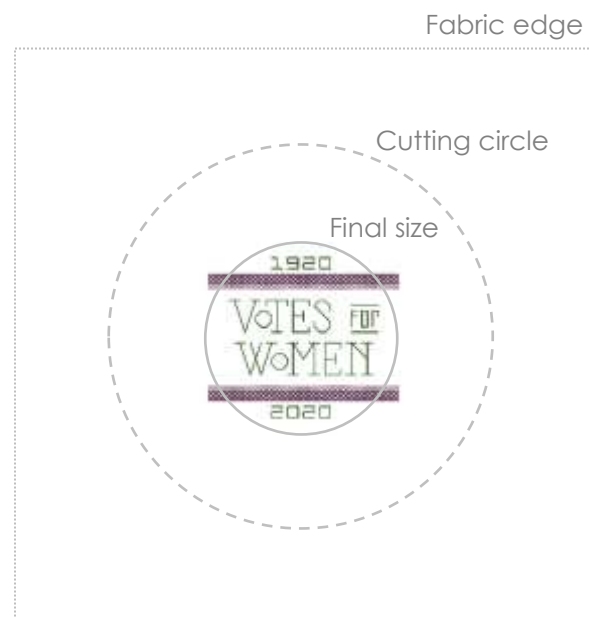


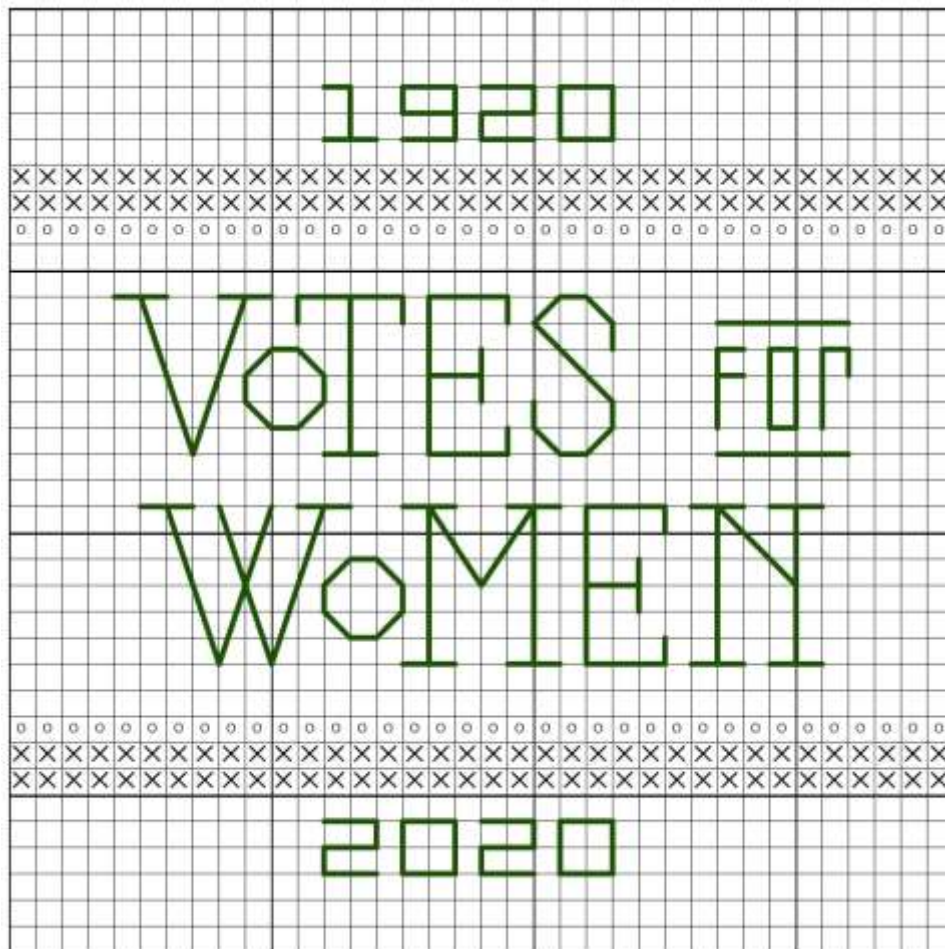
To end stitching: On the backside of your fabric, run the needle under 4 or 5 stitches to secure the thread. Cut the thread close to the fabric so there will not be loose strands that could get caught up in other stitches.

Finishing Instruction

Once you have completed your cross stitch, remove the fabric from the embroidery hoop (if using) and iron. Lay the fabric flat and cut a 3 – 4" circle around the finished design.

This circle will fit over the felt button center. Tuck or gather the raw edges and glue them to the back of the button center. A *small portion of the cross stitch will be folded behind so the border looks continuous.*





Full stitches:

X 3834 Grape – DK
 o 3836 Grape – LT

Back stitches:

— 895 Hunter Green – VY DK