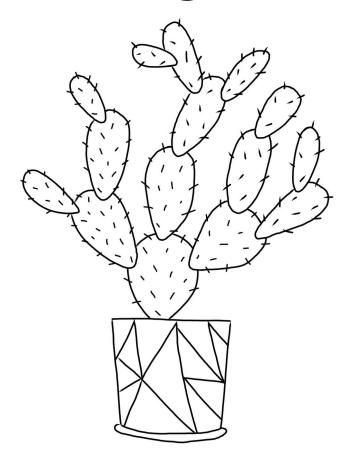




Stitch suggestions for Growing Cactus



You can take two different approaches with this pattern and get two different, wonderful outcomes.

One approach is to fill in the cactus and the planter with the **satin stitch**. Then, to create the spikes on the cactus you can use the **backstitch** with only two strands of thread. I also like to outline the pattern in 2 strands of black thread to create a more defined look.

Another approach, which is faster and a bit more simple, is to use a **backstitch** over all of the lines with three to six strands of black thread. You can choose how many strands that you want to use depending on the thickness you prefer for your stitch. I wouldn't go any less than three or you may have difficulty covering the lines of the pattern.







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