

Delightful December decorations

# Hand-sewn Christmas motifs

## Materials

- Linen/cotton fabrics
- Mending yarn
- Ribbon for hanging
- Scissors
- Water-soluble marker pen
- Sewing thread
- Embroidery needle, sewing needle
- Batting
- Free pattern 8035 (Sashiko embroidery)

*By the way...! Make these unique Christmas decorations in fabric left over from a Sashiko project.*



**1.** Make sure you have everything you need. Print the template. We recommend that you use linen or cotton fabrics.



**2.** Draw your motif on the wrong side of the fabric. Use a marker pen. Draw an 0.8 cm seam allowance around the motif. Cut 2.



**3.** Draw the motif on batting. Cut 1 (no seam allowance).



**4.** Draw guidelines (see template) on the right side of both pieces of fabric.



**5.** Sew Sashiko embroidery. Use the guidelines to check position. Here we sewed the stitches in parallel lines.



**6.** Embroider through one piece of fabric with the batting on the wrong side.



**7.** Embroider the second motif.



**8.** Cut a length of ribbon about 24 cm long. Fold it double and attach it with pins to the right side of one piece of fabric.



**9.** Stitch the two fabric pieces together, right sides facing. Press. Sew them together on the wrong side. Leave a gap for turning.



**10.** Turn to the right side.



**11.** Sew gap to close. Remove the water-soluble markings with water. Press.

**By the way:** Try your hand at other Sashiko embroidery techniques. You can use the same motifs on a gift tag or Christmas stocking.

