



## Le Grande Jardin Picket Fence Border



*It's a perfect, picket finish for Le GRANDE Jardin! Set includes the arbor embroidery design shown for 6x10 hoops and instructions to make the picket fence border for any size project—no math required!*

*Finished piece shown is 36" x 48."*

# Le Grande Jardin Picket Fence Border Kit

This page of instructions gives the directions for finishing our Grande Jardin with all of the large, applique vegetables shown on the first page-- the completed brown interior garden will measure 24-1/2" x 37-1/2" with seam allowances to begin.

If your garden is a significantly different size, or if you made your own layout, we'll help you figure out how to add the picket fence border to any size piece on the following page.

For our version shown, you'll need:

- Grass Green fabric for middle border: 1/2 yd.
- White fence fabric: 3/4 yd.
- Blue fabric for "sky": 3/4 yd.
- Batting and Backing Fabric: 40" x 52"

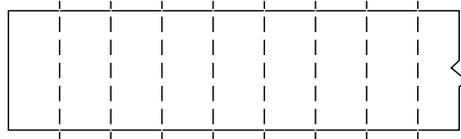
## Embroider the Arbor.

Using a 6" x 10" hoop, hoop two pieces of heavy tear away stabilizer with a piece of your blue sky fabric. Follow the color changes in the chart on the right to first applique white fabric and then stitch the thread colors shown. When embroidery is complete, trim your arbor to 6-1/2" wide x 11" high-- center it side to side, then leave 1/4" border for a seam allowance on the bottom of the embroidery; there will be about a 7/8" border at the top. Set it aside until ready to stitch it into the picket fence top border.

## Picket Assembly

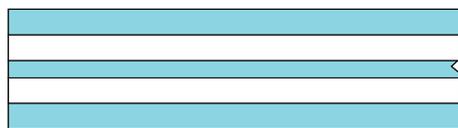
While you embroider the arbor, you can get a head start on your picket fence assembly. For the white pickets, cut enough 6-1/2" strips from the width of your fabric to equal about 100 inches.

Then crosscut them into 2-1/2" rectangles.



You'll need (37) 2-1/2" x 6-1/2" white rectangles.

For the in-between, picket pieces, make a strip set as shown below. (All seams are 1/4".) Cut enough 2" strips from the width of your white fabric to make 170 inches, and enough 1-1/2" strips from the blue sky fabric to make 260 inches. Sew the strip sets shown below, alternating blue and white.



Then crosscut the strip sets into (32) 2-1/2" x 6-1/2" pieces.



Finally, assemble your picket fence as shown in the layout, alternating the two types of pieces. Make two side borders with eleven white pickets and ten in-between pieces as shown; then make one bottom border with 8 white and 7 in-between pickets. For the top border, assemble the pickets to the left and right sides of the arbor as shown in the layout. You'll have an 6-1/2" wide section of fence and a 18-1/2" section. Cut a 5-1/4" x 6-1/2" piece of blue fabric and stitch it to the top of the left side fence. Cut a 5-1/4" x 18-1/2" and stitch it to the top of the right side fence piece.

Stitch your arbor between the two pieces.

## Final Assembly

Out of the grass green fabric, cut two strips 3-1/2" x 37-1/2" and two strips 3" x 30-1/2".

Stitch the 3-1/2" x 37-1/2" strips to the sides of the brown vegetable patch. Then add the 3" x 30-1/2" strips to the top and bottom of the piece.

Stitch the picket fence border to the sides of the piece.

Cut two 6-1/2" x 6-1/2" squares and add them to each end of the bottom picket fence border. Stitch the bottom border to the piece.

Cut two blue rectangles 6-1/2" x 11" and add one to each side of the top border. Finally, stitch your top border to the piece.

Your Grande Jardin top is finished! Make a quilt sandwich with the batting and backing and quilt as desired. We hope you enjoy the "fruits" of your labor for many happy summers to come!

## Arbor Machine Embroidery Color Chart

6" x 10" 28,500 stitches

1. Placement Line for White Fabric
2. Tack and Trim White Fabric

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|---|---------------------|
|  | 3. Lemon Yellow     |
|  | 4. Orange Yellow    |
|  | 5. Light Teal Green |
|  | 6. White            |
|  | 7. Brown            |
|  | 8. Grass Green      |
|  | 9. Pink             |
|  | 10. Dark Pink       |

## Now adapt our picket fence to any size project!

Perhaps you didn't make all of the vegetables, or maybe you don't live in a perfect world and your layout turned out to be a different size. Or maybe you'd just like to use this cute border for some other project that you are working on. Here's how-- no math required!

On the last page, we have provided graph paper to print and fences to cut out. This will help you first visualize your project. We're going to use the layout below to show you how.

The first thing to do is to measure your own piece and subtract the seam allowances. Ours above is 20-1/2" x 18-1/2", and we will subtract 1/2" for the seam allowances giving us 20" x 18." Block your dimension out on the graph paper provided as we did ours above right-- each square is two inches.

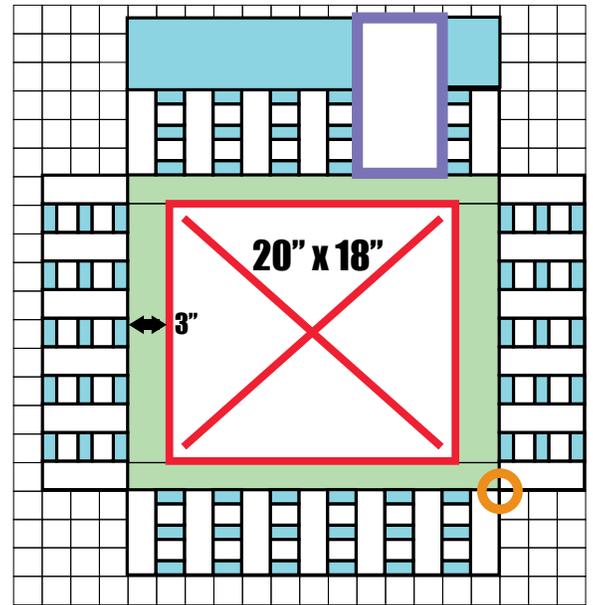
Cut out the fence pieces and surround your garden with them. Make sure each section of fence starts and ends with a solid white picket. (If you need more fence, just print the page again.) Make the corners touch, as shown by the orange circle in the diagram, above right. If you want an arbor, it will take up 3 fence pieces as shown in purple. The green area represents your grass border.

You can see by the grid that the widest part of the green border is about 3" but we are going to overestimate, adding an inch to get 4" so we can trim the borders down later. Add an inch to your widest border dimension, and cut four lengths of fabric to add to your piece all around. First sew on the sides, and then the top and bottom.

Stitch up your picket fence borders as described on the previous page-- note the number of white pickets and in between pieces that you'll need from your graph. Do not stitch any of the corners on yet, but, it's fine to add your arbor to the top border if you would like one.

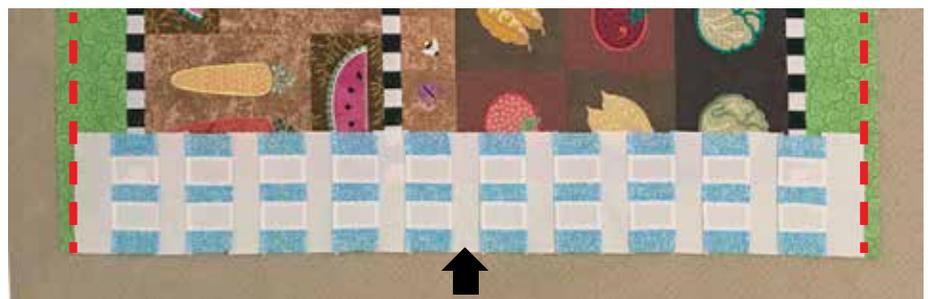
Now take one of your side fences, and lay it on top of the garden piece as shown below. Match the centers of the pieces as shown by the black arrow. Trim the top and bottom green borders off as shown by the red dotted lines to match the length of the fence, but don't stitch the fence on yet.

Repeat this process using the bottom fence as a guide to trim the sides of the green border. You'll now have your green



border trimmed even with the fences as shown in photo below--no math!

Now simply follow the directions on the previous page to add your side borders, corners, and top borders. It's a perfect, picket finish!





# My Garden Layout

 = two inches

