

# Le Petit Jardin Layout Instructions

All the veggies are stitched-- it's now time to trim them up and assemble them into a completed garden. We recommended a number of each vegetable to make, but these instructions will work for whatever you were able to stitch-- a finished project is the goal!

For "Le Petit Jardin," these are the trim sizes including seam allowances:

- Lettuce: 3-1/2" x 3-1/2"
- Tomatoes: 3-1/2" x 3-1/2"
- Butter Beans: 3-1/2" x 3-1/2"
- Carrots: 4-1/2" x 6-1/2"
- Bugs: 2" x 2"
- Watermelons: 6-1/2" x 3-1/2"

Use a gridded ruler, or a piece of cereal box cardboard with a window in it, to help center the vegetable in the space given.

Now it's time to play! On the following page, you'll find a piece of gridded paper with tiny vegetable icons. Print it out, then cut out as many items as you have stitched. We recommended four each of the lettuces, tomatoes, and butter beans; three sets of carrots, eight individual bugs, and two watermelons, so that is how many icons have been provided. If you were ambitious and did MORE, just print out an extra sheet.



Now arrange your veggies on the grid. The first layout shown, below left, is a very simple row by row look-- if you love it, just stitch the piece together in rows using 1/4" seams; then sew the rows together.

If you have a bit more imagination, you can see how the parts fit together, and you can play with the paper pieces and find your own garden layout! We moved ours around and mixed them up until we were happy with this more playful layout:



Now suppose you just had time to stitch one of each vegetable, or made more of some and less of others. Using the pieces you do have with the grid, you can make up your own layout:



Unless you are very lucky indeed, you will have some empty spaces to fill, as you can see in red marker

in the lower left corner of our layout. In this case, it helps to know that every square on the grid equals one inch-- so we will need a 1" x 3" filler, or 1-1/2" x 3-1/2" with the seam allowances. Cut it from an extra piece of brown, or use a garden novelty print or other favorite fabric.

If you enjoy piecing, you can spread your veggies even further apart, and add fillers such as checkerboards, flying geese, or



windmill units-- it's all about you... enjoy scribbling to your heart's content! If you don't like what you have, just print out another sheet of our gridded paper and try again.

Note that instead of assembling these types of layouts row by row, you have to take more of a section-by-section approach. And remember to add your seam allowances to each piece you need.

Once your garden is all "sown" up, think of a nice project idea for your home this summer such as a pillow or small table runner. You could add some novelty borders with garden prints...or purchase our white picket fence finishing kit which will be available by the end of June!

We hope you enjoyed "Le Petit Jardin," Thanks for stitching along!

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 = one inch

