



Suggested Materials:

1" wide 14-count Ribband or 7/8" wide 18-count Ribband 1 strand of DMC 310 Holbein (Double-Running) stitch

Options:

Use a different color.

Use an overdyed or variegated floss.

- Since these fibers change color along their length, they require special planning if you want to use the Holbein stitch and have the shading be smooth. Cut a length of floss. Set aside the rest of the skein. Pull one strand free remembering which end is the beginning. Begin stitching as normal. When you finish the first strand, pull another strand of floss. Reverse the direction of the shading and stitch your return journey.
- If the smoothness of the shading does not matter to you, than you can stitch with it normally.

Use the backstitch instead of the Holbein stitch.

The reverse of the bookmark will not be pretty if executed in backstitch, so you may want finish the reverse of the bookmark with ribbon or cloth.

Holbein (Double-Running) Instructions:

The following is a diagram for this stitch on Aida. On evenweave each "thread" in the diagram would equal 2 actual fabric threads.

