



***Difference Between
French knot and
Bullion Knot***

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French Knot



Bullion Knot



French knots are best done inside an outline stitch to give it definition. The 3 dimensional look this stitch gives to your design is delightful and hence a favourite of all who do embroidery.

How to make a french Knot

- **Step 1**

Bring the needle from the back of the fabric at point A. Keep the thread tightly in your left hand.

- **Step 2**

Keep the needle near the fabric and wrap the thread around the needle once or twice.



This is a beautiful stitch which can be used to fill outlines as well as to make flower designs. A perfect rose flower can be made with this stitch alone by slightly curving the stitching and arranging it in a round shape. To make it look better use variegated yarn (shaded yarn). Leaves made using this stitch also looks good.

How to do a Bullion Knot Stitch.

- **Step 1.**

Bring the needle to the front of the fabric from the back. Use a long needle used for general stitching (not embroidery needle which has a large eye)

Again Insert the needle into the fabric at A very near to where the needle came out and come out a small distance from there at B. Keep the needle in that position without taking out.

- **Step 2.**

Wrap the thread from behind the needle around the tip of the needle a number of times. Ensure that you are wrapping neatly and compactly. Make enough wraps which approximately equals the distance between A-B

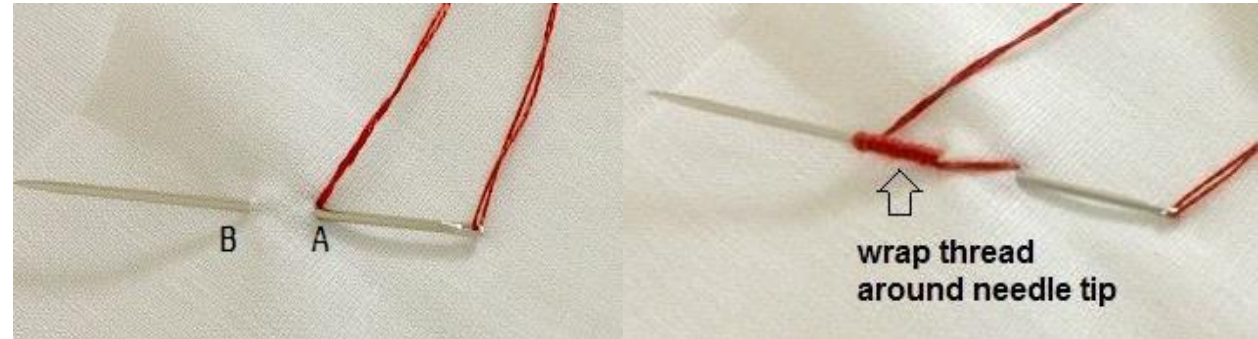


Step 3

Gently pull the thread so that the wrapped thread is tightening against the needle

Step 4.

Insert the needle near the point where needle came out at B. Hold on to the thread wraps with your left hand and pull the needle to the back. A knot is left behind which looks absolutely beautiful.



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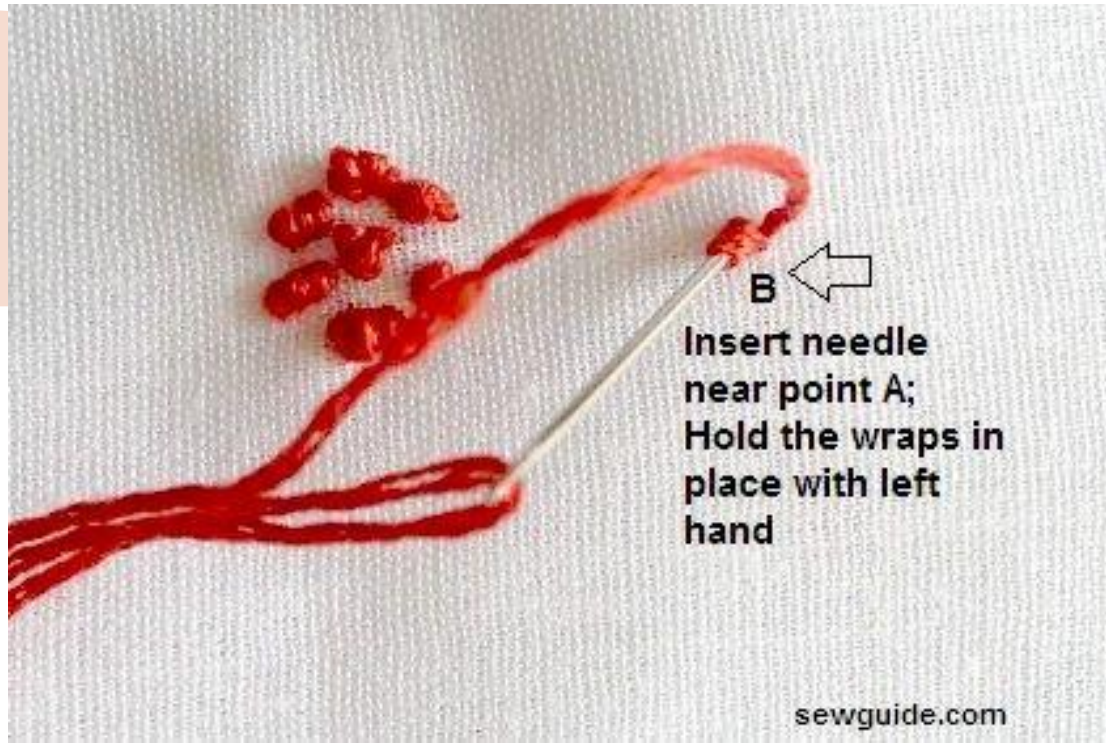
Using your finger keep the wraps in place . Now gently take out (ease out) the needle (the thread wrap should stay there) from the wrap.

Step 4.

Flip the thread wrap to the other side (A) where you started.

Step 5

Insert needle to a point very close to A to the back of the fabric. Secure thread there.



Step 6

Make sure that the stitch is to your liking.
Or else use your fingers to arrange the coils
to perfection.



Thank you