easter egg

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What you get:
- Full-sized pattern
- Complete color and stitch guide

Please feel free to enlarge or reduce the pattern to any size you like. But remember - if you're using the stitch guide below you'll want to use more strands of thread on a pattern made larger, and fewer strands if you reduce the size of the pattern. Happy stitching!

Materials you'll need:
- Wool felt and stuffing
- Your favorite tools for transferring the pattern
- Embroidery needle, thread, and hoop

Skills you'll need: (links take you to video tutorials at www.shinyhappyworld.com)
- How to transfer an embroidery pattern
- Backstitch
- Running stitch
- French knot
- Lazy daisy
- French knot with stem

If you want to duplicate exactly what you see on the cover, here's the info you need. Use 4 strands of thread throughout.

Cross-hatching - backstitch with DMC #826

Green outlines - backstitch with DMC #703

Small blue dots - French knots with DMC #826

Flowers - lazy daisy with DMC #340, the stamens are French knots with stems in DMC #722

Small peach dots - French knots with DMC #722 (includes the center of the center flower)

Stitch the wedge 4 times. Do not stitch the outline - that's your cutting line. Lay two pieces wrong sides together and join them very close to the edge with a running stitch in embroidery thread that matches your felt color as closely as possible. Add a third wedge to the pair. Add the fourth wedge. When the fourth wedge is almost all stitched closed (1-2 inches left) lightly stuff the egg and then finish stitching it up.

See how the design doesn't go all the way to the edges of the wedge? I did that on purpose - don't try to extend the pattern to fill the shape. This way you have a small, unembroidered seam allowance all the way around the edge. That will make your finished egg look nice.

Happy stitching!

Easter egg pattern - cut 4

I repeated the image 4 times so that if you're using The Magical Embroidery Stuff (which I recommend), you only have to photocopy it once. If you're using a transfer pen, just trace one of the wedges and transfer it with the iron 4 times.