

# Hoppy Birthday!

A complimentary cross stitch card design by Brooke Nolan



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**Needed to complete design:** 1 piece 8.5" x 11" White 14 ct. perforated paper; 8" x 10" piece of 28 ct. Zweigart Opalescent White Lugana; DMC floss; Mill Hill glass seed beads; 1 large "Parchment" rectangular opening trifold needlework card (5"x 7" outer dimensions / 3"x 5" inner dimensions); #24 tapestry needle; Short beading needle; Craft knife or small embroidery scissors; Adhesive of choice. (I used Velcro pieces to stick the charms to the needlework card.)

Finished design size, including card frame is 5"x 7".

**Cross Stitch:** Using 2 strands of floss over 2 threads, cross stitch the froggie on the Opalescent Lugana. Using 3 strands of floss, cross stitch the charms on the perforated paper.

**Beading:** Using 2 strands of #602 Cranberry Md. for Mill Hill #03058 beads and 2 strands of #White for Mill Hill #00479 & #03050 beads, complete the beading as charted. (Note: If you have trouble threading a beading needle with 2 strands of floss, put 1 strand through the eye and pull the end down so there are 2 working strands.)

**Back Stitch:** Using 2 strands of floss, back stitch the following design areas using the following floss colors: #310 Black - Froggie's eyelash and hat strap. Also the "Hoppy Birthday" lettering; #745 Pale Yellow Lt - Cupcake's cup stripes; #554 Violet Lt - Veins in the butterflies' wings; #602 Cranberry Md - Froggie's mouth and straight stitches around the Hoppy Birthday sign; #904 Parrot Green Vy Dk - Outline around Froggie's eye and lines on his chest, arms and hands.

**Finishing Instructions:** Using a craft knife or small embroidery scissors, carefully cut out the stitched & beaded perforated paper charms leaving a border of at least one row of stitches all around each charm. Adhere them to the needlework card with double sided tape, glue, pop dots, or Velcro pieces. See photo for placement.

With 6 strands of #772 Yellow Green Vy Lt floss, make 3 tiny bows with streamers to tack on the balloons. See photo for placement.

Create the froo-froo hat topper as follows: Thread the beading needle with 2 strands #White floss and knot the end. Bring needle up through fabric at the top of Froggie's party hat. Thread 5 Mill Hill #03050 beads onto needle. Then lay all 5 beads down in a snug row on top of the fabric. Put needle back down through the fabric to secure the row of beads. Repeat this process 2 more times but use more beads on each row. See photo for placement of these 3 beaded rows. Secure the froo-froo at the back of the fabric with a knot.

Slip Froggie into his frame and wish someone special a "Hoppy Birthday".

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Symbol	DMC	Color
•	White	White
^	543	Beige Ult Lt
o	819	Baby Pink Lt
△	818	Baby Pink
◇	604	Cranberry Lt
#	602	Cranberry Md
L	745	PaleYellow Lt
5	725	Topaz Lt
≡	841	Beige Brown Lt
∞	840	Beige Brown Md
■	310	Black
◊	3756	Baby Blue Ult Lt
?	827	Blue Vy Lt
2	597	Turquoise
x	772	Yellow Green Vy Lt
∩	3348	Yellow Green Lt
⊥	704	Chartreuse
▲	470	Avocado Green Lt
♣	702	Kelly Green

Symbol	Mill Hill	Color
<	00479	White
#	03050	Champagne Ice
3	03058	Mardi Gras Red

[Click here to view &/or purchase Mill Hill #00479 seed beads.](#)

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Extra DMC Colors Needed

For Back Stitching:

#554 Violet Lt.

#904 Parrot Green Vy Dk

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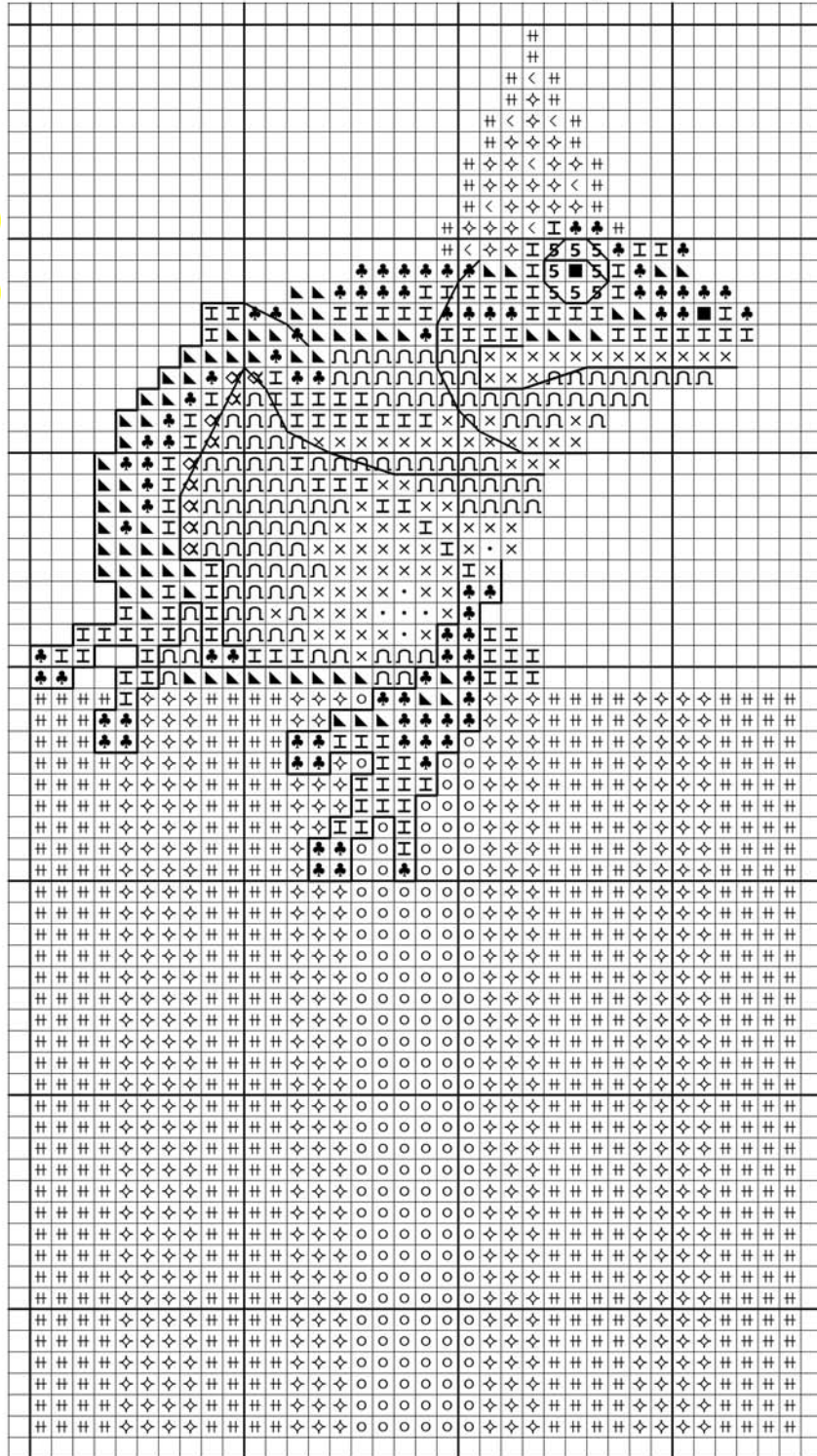
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Do not stitch this "Happy Birthday" sign as close to the perforated paper's edge as shown on this graph. You'll need more of a border to cut it out.

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