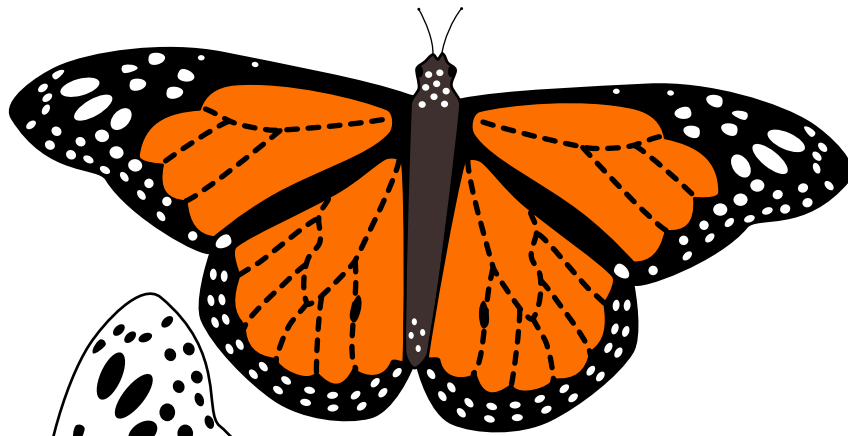


Downeast Thunder Farm Monarch Butterfly

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Create two mirror images of this butterfly if you'd like a double-sided ornament. Layer the body over the wings; pin. Tack in place with the white French knots as shown. Note, I used three strands of floss for all of the white detail.

Position the wing overlays; pin. Create the definition on the orange wing overlays with backstitches using four strands of black floss.

Add the decoration to the outer edges of the wings with white French knots and Lazy Daisy stitches.

I used two gray seed beads for the eyes. I added a series of black seed beads to the body back to give it a bit of definition.

On the wrong side of one of the wings, tack a piece of wire from side to side. This will allow you to shape the butterfly when it is completed. Create a "v" with a piece of wire and tack it to the wrong side of the head for antennae.

Pin the two wings together. Sew them together with a blanket stitch using two strands of black embroidery floss. Unlike many of my designs, this ornament does not have any stuffing. Have fun!

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