## **Outline Stitch**



The outline stitch is a version of a back stitch that enables a more dramatic effect – a darker outline.

Think of it being backstitch in **BOLD!** 

Start by stitching a straight stitch



Then, come back up to the surface of the fabric, right next to your straight stitch, about halfway along – in the picture you can see that this is below the straight stitch.



The end of this second stitch is a little way in front of your first straight stitch – see the picture below.

However, don't pull the needle all the way through – leave a loop.



With your loop pressed against the fabric, above your stitches, come up at the end of your first stitch – roughly in the middle of your second stitch, pulling your thread through, and closing the loop.



Then continue on, for as long as you'd like – play with bends and turns, rather than just a straight line.



