

# Stocking Ornament Dog Toys Update

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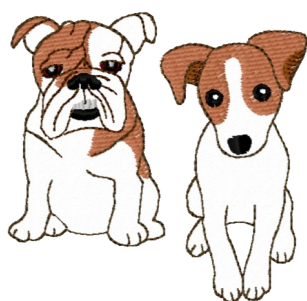
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I sent my sisters this photo of the mini stocking ornaments and the new teeny animals that I made for one of them last week.



When my other sister saw the pics, she asked for one of the dogs – a

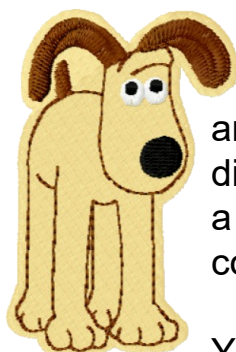
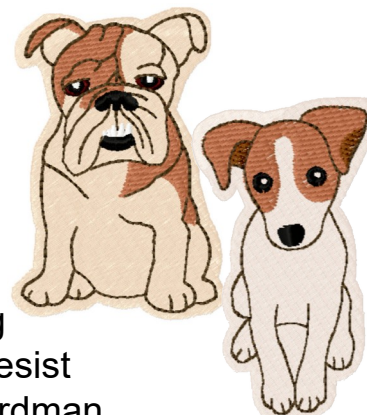
labradoodle, but in white – for a friend. At the same time, she joked that the adorable pug made her almost wish that the other folks on her gift list were pug owners!



Turns out that her friends' actual dogs are an English bulldog and a Jack Russell terrier. I was intrigued: another digitizing challenge! So I drew a bulldog and a Jack Russell and got busy digitizing.



The drawings – and the digitized designs -- turned out darned cute. So far, so good. I couldn't wait to see how they look stitched out on white or off-white felt.



Meanwhile, as long as I was at this dog thing, I had another idea that I couldn't resist trying. DH and I are big fans of UK's Aardman animation, so once the idea occurred, I just had to go ahead and digitize Gromit! I'll stitch him out on pale yellow felt, then I'll make a mini stocking for him. I'll be keeping this one for my own tree come next Christmas!

You can see the finished stitch-outs of the designs on the next page.

Here are the actual stitched dogs. I just know my sister and her friends are going to love them to bits.

And of course, I also made up mini stockings for them. Adorable! I'm really pleased with the doggy-themed one for Doris the Bulldog.



My cartoon doggies also turned out too darned cute for words.

In addition to Gromit, you may recognize the little beagle and his feathered friend, whom I made a few years back.

Over the next few days I plan to make Gromit his own themed stocking as well.



These little animals were quite a lot of work to digitize, but I've been having a blast! This whole project has been a fun challenge, and has provided lots more inspiration for future teeny toys. I can't wait to see what's right around the corner . . .