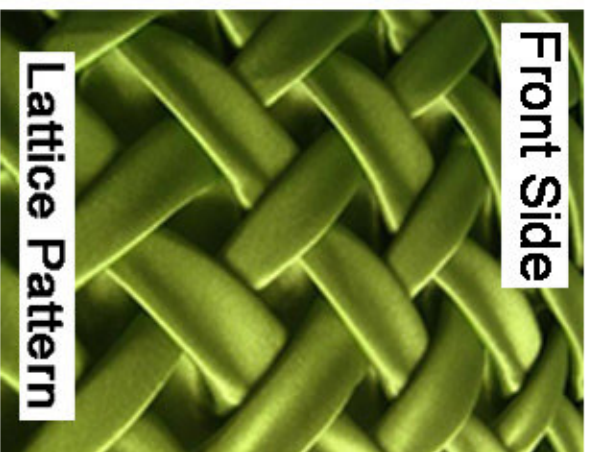


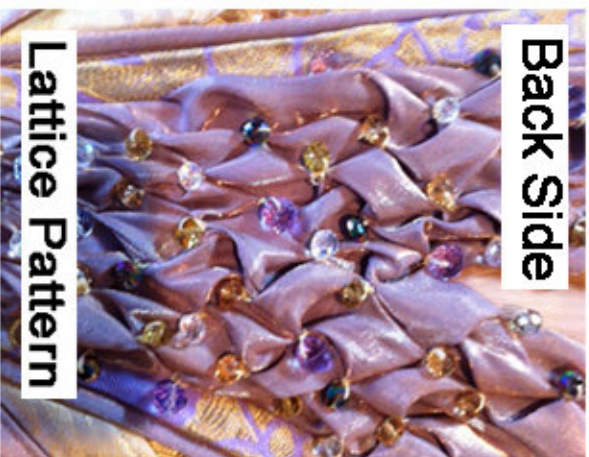
Beaded Smocking

Instructions brought to you by Carole Klinko and Travis Halsey.



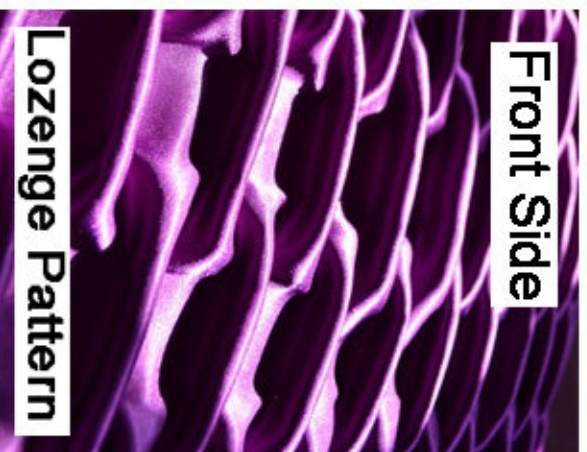
Front Side

Lattice Pattern



Back Side

Lattice Pattern



Front Side

Lozenge Pattern



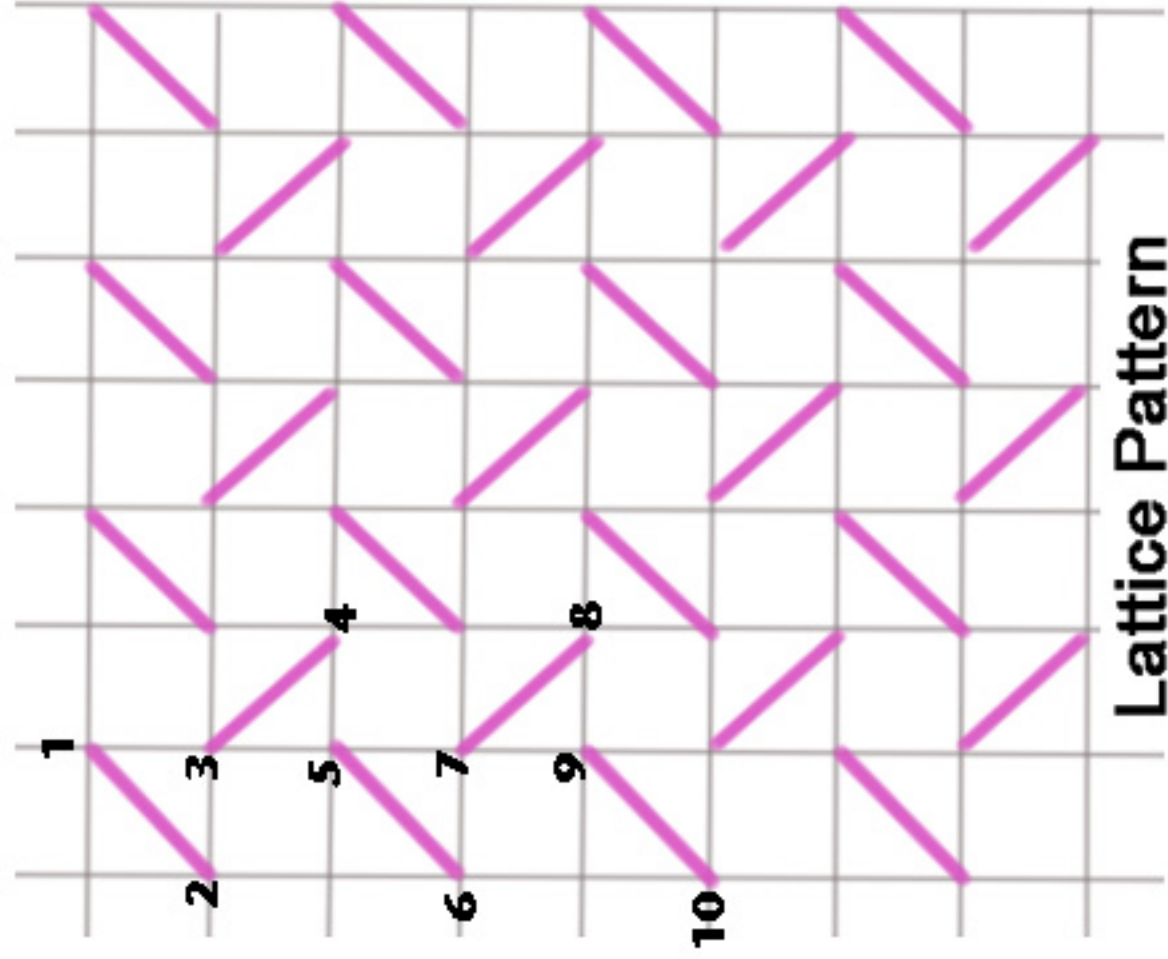
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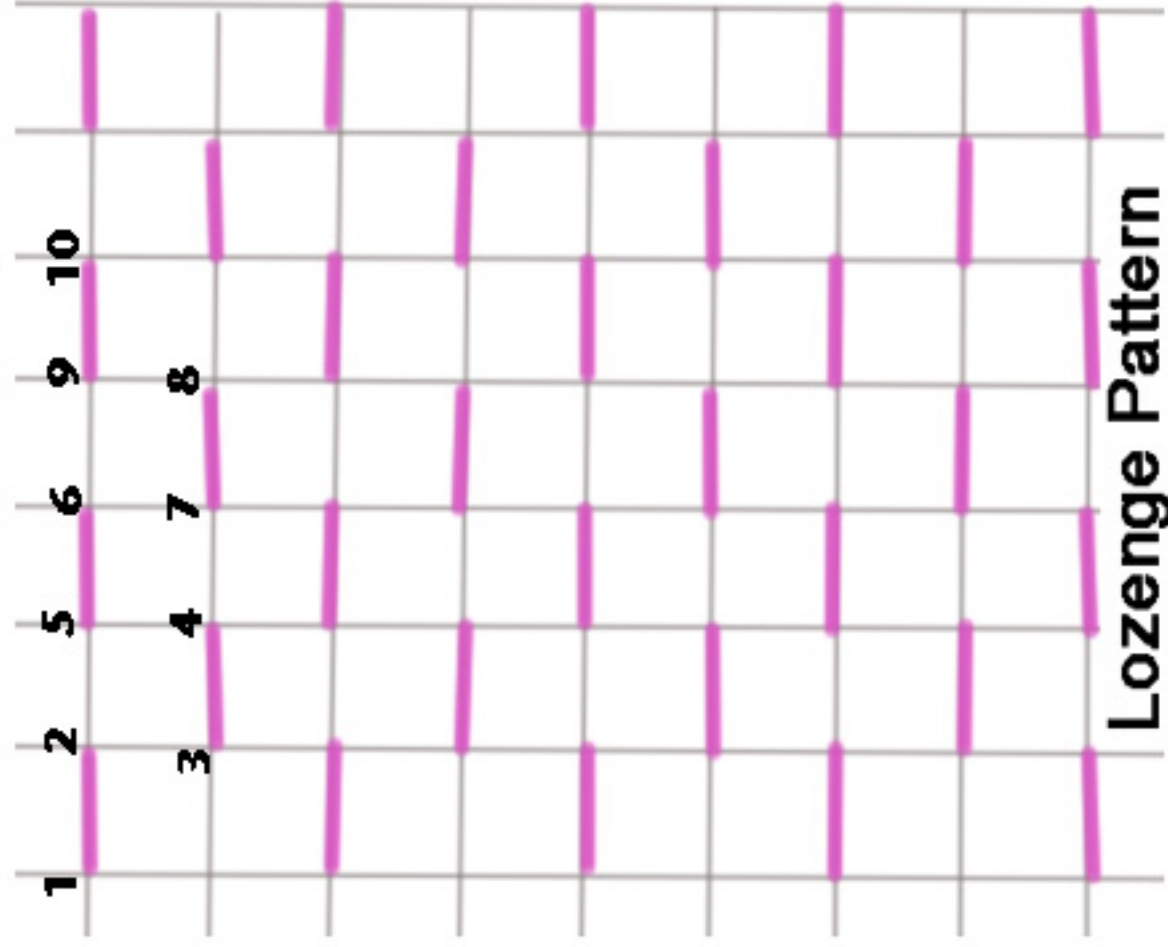
In the illustration we have beaded the back side of the lattice pattern. Your threads are carried across the “front”.

Lozenge pattern illustrated here is also beaded on the back side of the pattern.

* If creating your smocking for a specific pattern piece it is a good idea to make a sample first. As a rule of thumb you will need to start with a piece of fabric that is twice as big as you want your finished piece to be. This is especially true for the lattice pattern. The lozenge pattern mainly shrinks widthwise.



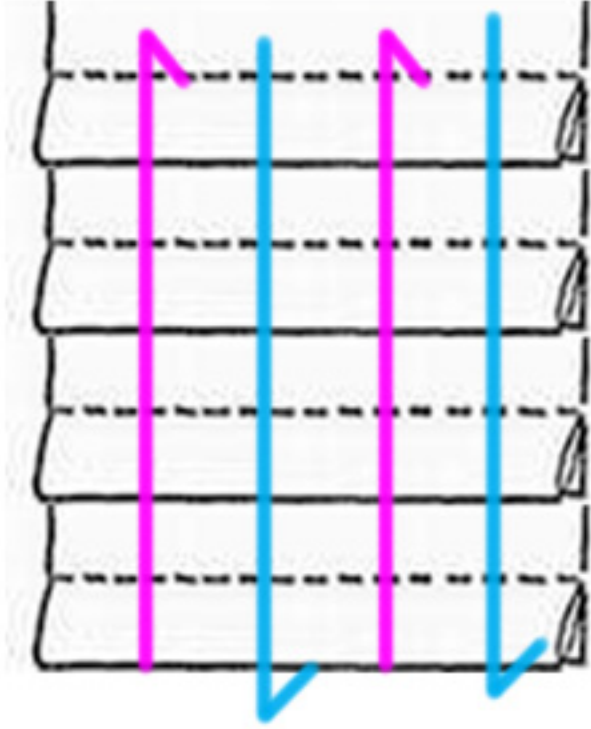
Lattice Pattern



Lozenge Pattern

You can create different looks by varying the size of grid you use to mark out your stitching pattern.

* We suggest making samples in several sizes.



Sew simple tucks into your fabric, iron well pressing them to one side. Next stitch across the entire piece of tucked fabric. Then spin your fabric around and stitch the other direction pushing the tuck away from you. Repeat until the entire piece is done. To create different effects vary the width of the tucks and the spacing of the cross stitching.

- * You need to be certain to sew your tucks on the straight grain of the fabric or they will become wonky.
- * This technique uses a lot of fabric, more than you would think. i.e. 1 inch tucks spaced 1 inch apart reduces the width of fabric by 50%. Make a sample first.

Cross-Stitched Tucks

This is another fun technique to create interest on your bodice, basque or sleeve etc.