

# Cast-on Stitch

*The Cast-on Stitch is commonly used in Brazilian embroidery. Brazilian embroidery is a surface embroidery that uses rayon thread. High-sheen rayon thread was first popularized and widely manufactured in Brazil, and hence the name Brazilian embroidery. This form of embroidery uses dainty flowers formed with both knotted and cast on stitches. The Cast-on Stitches form a delicate stitch similar to Bullion Knots.*

*It is recommended to use a Milliners needle for this stitch.*

1. Bring the needle and thread to the front at A. Take the needle down at B and back out at A. Do not pull the needle all the way through the fabric.
2. Hold the needle with your right hand. With your left hand bring the working thread around your index finger, forming a loop.
3. Place the loop on the needle and remove your left-hand index finger from the loop. Pull the loop onto the needle. This is your first Cast-on Stitch.
4. Work as many Cast-on Stitches as desired.
5. Hold the Cast-on Stitches with your left hand and pull the needle through the stitches with your right. The stitches will “flip” down towards B.
6. Take the needle to the back at B and secure.

