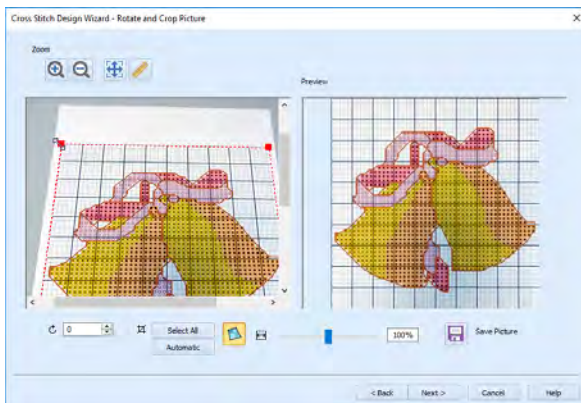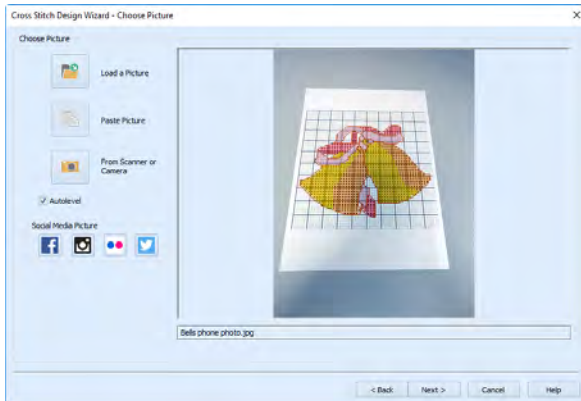# Import a Cross Stitch Chart

This exercise is taken from the Using the Cross Stitch Design Wizard chapter (Import a Cross Stitch Chart) of the PREMIER+™ 2 Cross Stitcher Reference Guide for Windows®.

1   In PREMIER+™ 2 Cross Stitcher [icon], click New [icon] and the Start Page of the Cross Stitch Design Wizard appears.

2   Select Load Picture for New Cross Stitch Design and click Next. The Choose Picture page of the Cross Stitch Design Wizard appears.

3   Click Load a Picture [icon] and the Picture Viewer appears.
Click From Scanner or Camera to load a picture directly from your phone, scanner or camera.

4   Browse to the folder Documents\Premier+2 \Samples\Cross\Pics, select the file named 'Bells phone photo.jpg' and click OK. The picture will be previewed in the wizard.

5   Click Next and the Rotate and Crop Picture page appears.

6   Click to select Perspective Correction [icon]. The crop handles for selection become red.

7   Move the pointer over one of the red crop handles in the corner.
The pointer changes to a diagonal double-headed arrow [icon].

8   Move the red corner handles so that the crop lines frame the grid for the cross stitch chart. A version of the picture showing the perspective changes that you made appears in the Preview area.
When taking a photo of a cross stitch chart, hold the phone or

camera so as to avoid reflected light and shadow on your subject, and use a high resolution setting. To get the best possible results, use a scanner.

9 Use the Zoom tools for fine adjustments to the edges of the selected area.
You can use Stretch Picture ↔ *to ensure that the grid squares are actually square.*

10 Click Next and the Design Size page appears.

11 Change the Width and Height numbers to match the number of squares in the grid for your chart.
In this case the grid is 50 x 50, but the settings will probably show 49 x 50.

12 Deselect (uncheck) Proportional to attain an exact match.
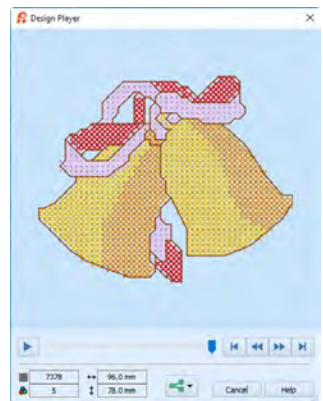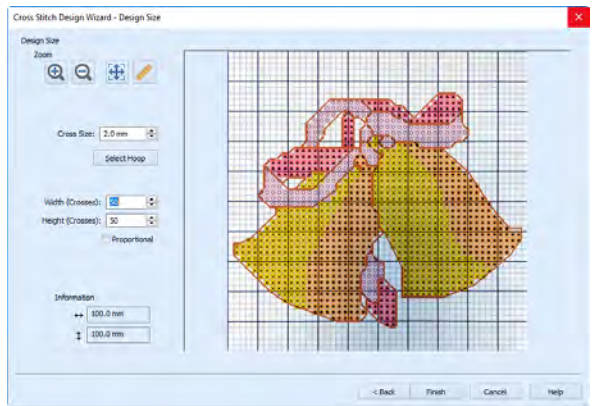Ideally, the grid on the screen should now fit over the grid in the picture.
If needed, click Back and adjust the selection area further, then try to match the two grids again.

13 Click Finish to load the picture onto the work area. You are now ready to create a cross stitch design over your loaded chart.

14 Use Add Color 🎨 in the Design Panel to add the thread colors from your chart.

15 Starting with the backstitch lines (and any French Knots), create stitches over the chart image, using the colors and their symbols as a guide.
You may find it easier to work in 2D View.