

Steps to Connect cross-stitch.com to cross-stitch-pattern.net

1. Set cross-stitch.com as the MAIN domain.
2. Set cross-stitch-pattern.net to redirect (301 Permanent) to cross-stitch.com.
3. Preserve page structure: /Page.aspx remains the same on both domains.
4. Use Route 53 for DNS management:
  - Create Hosted Zone for cross-stitch.com
  - Create Hosted Zone for cross-stitch-pattern.net
  - Replace Dynadot nameservers with Route 53 NS
5. In Route 53 for cross-stitch.com:
  - A Record (Alias) → Elastic Beanstalk load balancer
  - CNAME www → cross-stitch.com
6. In Route 53 for cross-stitch-pattern.net:
  - Option A — Redirect via S3 + CloudFront:
    - Create S3 bucket: cross-stitch-pattern.net
    - Enable static website redirect to https://cross-stitch.com
    - Create CloudFront distribution for S3 bucket
    - Point A Record (Alias) to CloudFront
  - Option B — Redirect using Nginx in Elastic Beanstalk:
    - Add .ebextensions/redirect.config with return 301 https://cross-stitch.com\$request\_uri;
7. Add canonical tags on the new domain pointing to cross-stitch.com.
8. Verify redirects and update Google Search Console.
9. Test with curl to confirm 301 redirect.