A little batty with a hanging bat

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.9 × 4.9 in (12.4 × 12.4 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: black cotton or linen.

Stitch in this order

Filled parts from the back of the picture forward, then lines and knots.

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Moon, twigs, bough, wings, body, belly, ears, head, muzzle
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Moon craters, candies, feet, inner ears, cheeks, eyes, pupils, nose, toes, hand, lollipop stick, lollipop swirl, fingers, words
3. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Candy strings, glasses
4. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Candies, eye lights, stars
5. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Wing bones, glasses
6. **Split stitch**, 2 strands
   Mouth, words
7. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Stars

Floss

- **1 DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow** Moon (light)
- **2 DMC 3820 Dark Straw** Moon (dark), moon craters
- **3 DMC 3821 Straw**
  Moon (middle), glasses, lollipop swirl (lightest), stars (darker)
- **4 DMC 3790 Ultra Dark Beige Gray**
  Bough (middle), twigs (darker)
- **5 DMC 3032 Medium Mocha Brown**
  Bough (light), twigs (lighter)
- **6 DMC 3787 Dark Brown Gray** Bough (dark)
- **7 DMC 3823 Ultra Pale Yellow**
  Words and stars (lighter), lollipop stick and candy strings
- **8 DMC BLANC White**
  Candies (lightest), eyes and eye lights
- **9 DMC 3846 Light Bright Turquoise**
  Lollipop swirl and candies (light)
- **10 DMC 741 Medium Tangerine**
  Words (darker), candies (dark), lollipop swirl (middle)
- **11 DMC 210 Medium Lavender**
  Candies (darkest), lollipop swirl (dark)
- **12 DMC 327 Dark Violet** Wings (darker)
- **13 DMC 3834 Dark Grape** Wings (lighter)
- **14 DMC 3042 Light Antique Violet**
  Body, ears and head (light), wing bones, toes and fingers (darker)
- **15 DMC 3041 Medium Antique Violet**
  Ears (middle), body and head (dark), feet and hand
- **16 DMC 3740 Dark Antique Violet**
  Body and head (darkest), ears (dark)
- **17 DMC 3743 Very Light Antique Violet**
  Head and body (lightest), muzzle, toes and fingers (lighter)
- **18 DMC 3689 Light Mauve**
  Belly (lighter), inner ears and cheeks
- **19 DMC 3688 Medium Mauve** Belly (darker), nose
- **20 DMC 310 Black** Pupils and mouth
- **21 DMC 3801 Very Dark Melon**
  Lollipop swirl (darkest)

Three ways onto dark fabric

1. **Light shines through it**
   Lay page 3 on a bright light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a white marking pencil or pen.
2. **No light shines through**
   Print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, smooth it onto fabric that can be washed, stitch through both and rinse it away.
3. **White or yellow carbon paper**
   Lay it colored side down on the fabric with page 3 on top, tape the layers and trace firmly with a ballpoint pen. Go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Page 3 is the pattern at actual size (page 4 is its mirror, for an iron-on pen on a light fabric). Print it at 100% with scaling turned off. Then put the fabric in the hoop: inner ring under, drawing up, tight as a drum.

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6 inch hoop

How to read it

Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

Inside a filled shape start with two or three tiny stitches, which the filling covers. Start a line with a small knot on the back. End each thread by running the needle under the backs of a few stitches.

Each small ring is one French knot. A fine broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.

A number on the picture is a color of the list of floss on page 1. The fine lines on the colors show which way the stitches lie.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches. The first time: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.



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How many strands

Straight stitch. 3 strands: candies; 2 strands: eye lights; 1 strand: stars.

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Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

Check square: 1 inch (25.4 mm) on each side.
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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