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6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.7 × 4.7 in (11.9 × 11.9 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Tear of light, storm cloud, low cloud, hollow of the wave, long ribbons of the swell



2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Satin ribbons of the swell, scarlet sails, hull, lantern



3. **Feather stitch**, 1 strand
   Torn spray, foam lace



4. **Stem stitch**
   2 strands: cloud rims, foam lines, mast, gunwale, lantern post
   1 strand: rain, lantern light on the water
   3 strands: rim of the circle

5. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Lantern light



6. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Letter edges

7. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Letters



8. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Foam



Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop or sew a pillow.

How to read it

Floss has six strands: cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number named one at a time, and lay them together.

Start a filling with tiny stitches, a line with a small knot; end under stitches on the back.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches.

New to this: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.

Onto the fabric

Fabric you can see through: page 3 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 4, the mirrored page, and press it ink side down as the pen's packet says. The lines stay.

Then hoop it, inner ring under, tight as a drum.

Buy: 22 colors of floss (page 2), 2 skeins of DMC 500; one of each other color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), an embroidery needle size 9, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen, a water-soluble pen.

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A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



1	DMC 3078 Very Light Golden Yellow	9	DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green	17	DMC 938 Ultra Dark Coffee Brown
2	DMC 727 Very Light Topaz	10	DMC 3818 Ultra Very Dark Emerald G...	18	DMC 666 Bright Red
3	DMC 726 Light Topaz	11	DMC 505 Jade Green	19	DMC 817 Very Dark Coral Red
4	DMC 29 Eggplant	12	DMC 772 Very Light Yellow Green	20	DMC 433 Medium Brown
5	DMC 3740 Dark Antique Violet	13	DMC 562 Medium Jade	21	DMC 712 Cream
6	DMC 3041 Medium Antique Violet	14	DMC 563 Light Jade	22	DMC 741 Medium Tangerine
7	DMC 3042 Light Antique Violet	15	DMC 504 Very Light Blue Green		
8	DMC 3743 Very Light Antique Violet	16	DMC 3865 Winter White		

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6 inch hoop

Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot; a broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



1 in
25.4 mm

Not 1 inch (25.4 mm)? Print again at 100%.

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