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Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.7 × 4.8 in (11.9 × 12.2 cm).



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

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.

Floss

- **1 DMC 3013 Light Khaki Green**
  Laurel stems and cherry stem
- **2 DMC 3012 Medium Khaki Green**
  Laurel leaves (lighter), gumdrops (middle)
- **3 DMC 3011 Dark Khaki Green**
  Laurel leaves (darker)
- **4 DMC 712 Cream**
  Whipped cream, cream leaves and straws (lighter), lollipop (light) and 2 more parts
- **5 DMC 738 Very Light Tan**
  Cream leaves and whipped cream (darker)
- **6 DMC 350 Medium Coral**
  Plinth, knop and cherry, lollipop and gumdrops (dark), straws (darker) and 2 more parts
- **7 DMC 352 Light Coral**
  Gumdrops (light), wrapped sweet and lollipop (middle)
- **8 DMC 3822 Light Straw**
  Bowl (lightest), rim, wrapped sweet (light)
- **9 DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Bowl (light), handles, foot (lighter)
- **10 DMC 783 Medium Topaz**
  Bowl (dark), foot (darker), stem
- **11 DMC 782 Dark Topaz**
  Bowl (darkest)
- **12 DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green**
  Lettering

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Laurel leaves, cream leaves
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Tie, straws, lollipop, gumdrops, wrapped sweet, whipped cream, cherry, handles, bowl, rim, stem, knop, foot, plinth, lettering
3. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Laurel stems, cherry stem
4. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Cherry light, starburst gleams

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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.

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

Stem stitch. 3 strands: laurel stems; 2 strands: cherry stem.

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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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