Blue anchor alphabet A to Z

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.9 × 4.9 in (12.4 × 12.4 cm)



A number is a row of the list.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

One skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes).

A water-soluble pen, and small scissors.

Onto the fabric

Fabric you can see through: page 2 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 2 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 3, 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.

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.

Floss

DMC 797 Royal Blue
Ring lines, rope edges, waves, rope twist and shell ribs, anchor, shell and flukes (dark)

DMC 820 Very Dark Royal Blue
Letters and anchor edges, flukes and anchor (darkest), rope end (darker)

DMC 800 Pale Delft Blue
Anchor and flukes (lightest), rope, shell (light)

DMC 799 Medium Delft Blue
Anchor and flukes (light), shell (middle), rope end (lighter)

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Anchor, flukes



2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Letters, shell, rope



3. **Stem stitch**
   3 strands: ring lines
   1 strand: rope edges (DMC 797)
   2 strands: waves

4. **Split stitch**, 2 strands
   Anchor edges

5. **Straight stitch**
   1 strand: shell ribs (DMC 797), rope twist
   2 strands: rope end



6. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Shell ribs (DMC 797), rope edges (DMC 797)

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

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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 broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



1 in
25.4 mm

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