Bluebell monogram alphabet

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.9 × 4.3 in (12.4 × 10.9 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 3 to a sunny window or lay it on a light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a sharp pencil or a water-soluble pen.
2. **Fabric you cannot see through**
   Lay dressmaker's carbon paper colored side down on the fabric with page 3 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on: the lines stay**
   Go over the lines of page 4, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron, as the pen's packet says.

Pages 3 and 4 are the pattern at actual size. Print them 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 3347 Medium Yellow Green**
  Leaves (darker)
- **2 DMC 471 Very Light Avocado Green**
  Leaves (lighter)
- **3 DMC 3345 Dark Hunter Green**
  Green strokes, flower caps and flower stems
- **4 DMC 336 Navy Blue**
  Navy strokes
- **5 DMC 333 Very Dark Blue Violet**
  Curled petal tips (darker), bells (darkest)
- **6 DMC 340 Medium Blue Violet**
  Bells (light), curled petal tips and buds (lighter)
- **7 DMC 3746 Dark Blue Violet**
  Bells (dark), buds (darker)
- **8 DMC 341 Light Blue Violet**
  Bells (lightest)
- **9 DMC 743 Medium Yellow**
  Pollen

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves



2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Green strokes, navy strokes, curled petal tips, bells, buds



3. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Flower caps



4. **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
   Flower stems

5. **French knot**, 1 strand, two wraps
   Pollen



What you need

Intermediate. A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, and a 9 inch (23 cm) square of plain cotton or linen, white or another light color. Embroidery needle: size 9 for 1 strand, size 7 for 2 or 3 (a lower number is a thicker needle). Skeins: one of each color is enough. An estimate for the 6 inch hoop, from the length of each line and the area of each filled shape, with a fifth added for tails.

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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 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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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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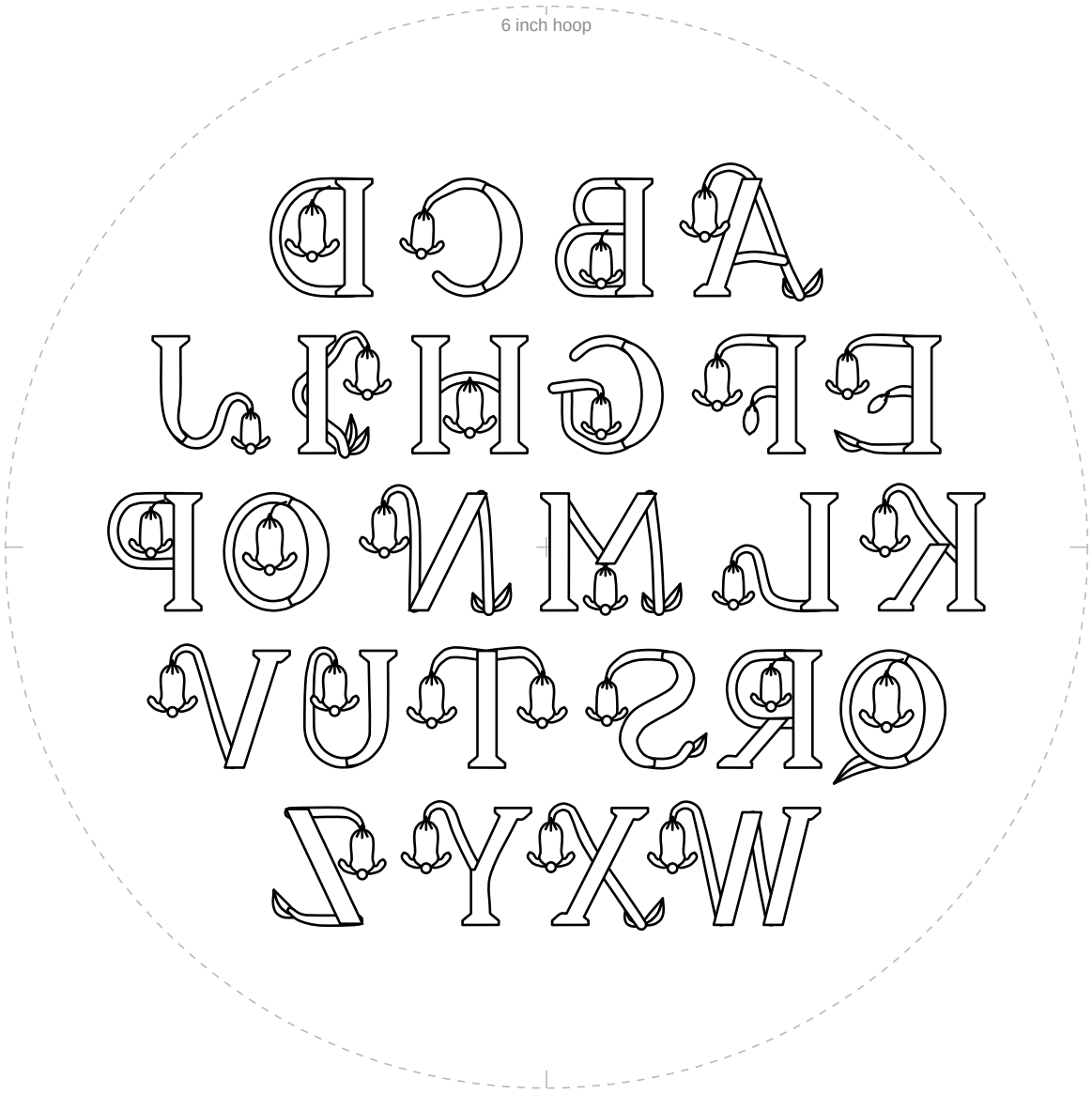
6 inch hoop

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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