# Border collie agility tunnel

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: pale blue cotton or linen.

## Stitch in this order

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

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Hills, lawn, shadow, body, forelegs, paws, ruff, ears, face, muzzle, tongue
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Tunnel tube, tunnel inside, mouth, nose, eye rims, eyes, bunting
3. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Tunnel rim
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Lawn edge, tunnel hoops, tunnel seams, tunnel rim, toes, tongue, mouth, eye lids, bunting string
5. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Ruff, ears, face, tongue
6. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Nose light, grass
7. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Bunting edge
8. **Whipped back stitch**, 5 strands
   Frame
9. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 2 strands
   Daisies
10. **French knot**
    strands by part on page 2, two wraps
    Trees, eye light, daisy hearts

In a 6 inch hoop the shortest lazy daisy loops are drawn smaller than about 2 mm (a little over 1/16 in). Use one strand of floss for them there, or choose a larger hoop.

## Floss

- **1 DMC 502 Blue Green** Hills (darker)
- **2 DMC 503 Medium Blue Green** Hills (lighter)
- **3 DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green** Lawn (lighter), grass (light)
- **4 DMC 3346 Hunter Green**
  Lawn (darker), lawn edge, trees (lighter), grass (middle)
- **5 DMC 895 Very Dark Hunter Green** Shadow, trees (darker), grass (dark)
- **6 DMC 598 Light Turquoise** Tunnel tube (shade 6 of 7)
- **7 DMC 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise**
  Frame (darker), tunnel hoops (lighter), tunnel tube (shade 2 of 7)
- **8 DMC 3810 Dark Turquoise**
  Tunnel tube (shade 4 of 7), frame (lighter), bunting (dark)
- **9 DMC 938 Ultra Dark Coffee Brown**
  Tunnel rim and tunnel inside (darkest), bunting edge and 4 more parts
- **10 DMC 728 Topaz**
  Tunnel inside (lightest), tunnel tube (shade 7 of 7), bunting (light), daisy hearts
- **11 DMC 400 Dark Mahogany**
  Tunnel inside (dark), tunnel tube (shade 1 of 7), tunnel seams (middle)
- **12 DMC 782 Dark Topaz**
  Tunnel inside (middle), tunnel tube (shade 3 of 7), tunnel seams (light), eyes (lighter)
- **13 DMC 783 Medium Topaz** Tunnel inside (light), tunnel tube (shade 5 of 7)
- **14 DMC 351 Coral** Tunnel rim and ears (light), bunting and tongue (middle)
- **15 DMC 349 Dark Coral** Tunnel rim and tongue (dark)
- **16 DMC 352 Light Coral** Tunnel rim and ears (lightest), tongue (light)
- **17 DMC 939 Very Dark Navy Blue** Body (lighter), forelegs, ears and face (dark)
- **18 DMC 310 Black**
  Body (darker), forelegs, face and ears (darkest), nose and eye lids and 2 more parts
- **19 DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue**
  Face and forelegs (light), ears (middle dark)
- **20 DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue**
  Face and forelegs (lightest), ears (middle light), eye rims and toes
- **21 DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray** Ruff (light), muzzle and paws (middle)
- **22 DMC 932 Light Antique Blue** Ruff, paws and muzzle (dark), nose light
- **23 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Ruff (lightest), paws and muzzle (light), daisies and eye light
- **24 DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue** Ruff (darkest)

## 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.



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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. Each small loop is one lazy daisy: come up at its point. A dashed line is whipped back stitch. 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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| **8** | DMC 3810 Dark Turquoise | **16** | DMC 352 Light Coral | **24** | DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue |

## How many strands

Stem stitch. 2 or 3 strands: tunnel hoops; 2 strands: lawn edge, tunnel seams, tunnel rim, toes, mouth, eye lids, bunting string; 1 strand: tongue.
French knot. 2 strands: trees, daisy hearts; 1 strand: eye light.



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**6 inch hoop**

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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