Border collie in the weave poles

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.8 × 4.8 in (12.2 × 12.2 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
   Far hill, grass, tail, tail tip, hind legs, paws, coat, front legs, white bib, ears, jaw, head, tan cheeks, blaze and muzzle
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Poles, mouth, tongue, nose, eyes, tan brows
3. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Pole edges, eye rims
4. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Grass blades, nose light, eye lights
5. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Mouth line, toes
6. **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
   Rim
7. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 2 strands
   Daisies
8. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Daisy hearts

Floss

- **1 DMC 503 Medium Blue Green** Far hill (darker)
- **2 DMC 504 Very Light Blue Green** Far hill (lighter)
- **3 DMC 3348 Light Yellow Green**
  Grass (lightest), grass blades (light)
- **4 DMC 3345 Dark Hunter Green**
  Grass (darkest), grass blades (dark)
- **5 DMC 3346 Hunter Green** Grass (dark)
- **6 DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green**
  Grass (light), grass blades (middle)
- **7 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Poles and blaze and muzzle (lighter), white bib (lightest) and 6 more parts
- **8 DMC 946 Medium Burnt Orange** Poles (darker)
- **9 DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue**
  Coat, head, tail, ears and hind legs (light), pole edges and rim
- **10 DMC 310 Black**
  Coat, hind legs, head, ears and tail (darkest), mouth and nose and 3 more parts
- **11 DMC 939 Very Dark Navy Blue**
  Coat, ears, hind legs, head and tail (dark)
- **12 DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue**
  Coat, hind legs, head, tail and ears (lightest)
- **13 DMC 318 Light Steel Gray**
  Front legs, white bib, paws, jaw and tail tip (dark), nose light
- **14 DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray**
  White bib, front legs and paws (light), tail tip (middle) and 2 more parts
- **15 DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray**
  White bib, front legs and paws (darkest), toes
- **16 DMC 3712 Medium Salmon** Tongue
- **17 DMC 437 Light Tan** Tan cheeks (light)
- **18 DMC 433 Medium Brown** Tan cheeks (dark)
- **19 DMC 435 Very Light Brown**
  Tan cheeks (middle), tan brows
- **20 DMC 782 Dark Topaz** Eyes (lighter)
- **21 DMC 3820 Dark Straw** Daisy hearts

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 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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7	DMC 3865 Winter White	14	DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray	21	DMC 3820 Dark Straw

How many strands

Straight stitch. 2 strands: grass blades, eye lights; 1 strand: nose light.

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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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