Bus driver at the wheel in the snow

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: indigo cotton or linen.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Long and short stitch**
   strands by part on page 2
   Hills, spruces, snow on the spruces, snowy road, lamp light, shadow under the bus, bus, wheel arch, lit cab, dashboard, seat, coat, and 12 more
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Tree trunks, cottage walls, cottage door, gold window, chimney, snow on the cottage, smoke, black stripes, tire, wheel hub, bumper, and 20 more
3. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Hood seam, tire tread, wheel hub, headlamp rim, eye and brow, smile, mirror arm, lamp rims, rose hip twig, border
4. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Headlamp light, eye light, hat ribs, braid light, scarf stripes, smile, rose hip light, snowflakes
5. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Mitten thumbs, face edge, coat seams, mirror edge
6. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Stop arm edge
7. **French knot**
   strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Wheel nuts, earring, child eyes, child hat, rabbit eye, rabbit nose, snowflakes

In a 6 inch hoop the French knots 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 932 Light Antique Blue**
  Hills and snow on the bus (dark), shadow under the bus and seat (lighter), smoke
- **2 DMC 3841 Pale Baby Blue**
  Snowy road and near drifts (darker), hills (middle), border and 5 more parts
- **3 DMC BLANC White**
  Snowy road and near drifts (lighter), hills (light) and 16 more parts
- **4 DMC 433 Medium Brown**
  Wheel arch, hood seam, braid light and rose hip twig, face (middle) and 4 more parts
- **5 DMC 501 Dark Blue Green** Spruces and child coat (lighter)
- **6 DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green** Spruces and child coat (darker)
- **7 DMC 815 Medium Garnet**
  Cottage walls, hat band, chimney, mitten thumbs and smile, hat and mittens (dark)
- **8 DMC 310 Black**
  Tire, window frames and black stripes, steering wheel (darker) and 3 more parts
- **9 DMC 972 Deep Canary**
  Bus (middle), roof lamps (lighter), gold window and earring
- **10 DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow** Lit cab and headlamp, lamp light (darker)
- **11 DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue**
  Shadow under the bus and seat (darker), tire tread and bumper and 4 more parts
- **12 DMC 783 Medium Topaz** Bus (dark)
- **13 DMC 742 Light Tangerine** Bus (light)
- **14 DMC 415 Pearl Gray** Wheel hub (light), mirror
- **15 DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray**
  Wheel hub (dark), windscreen edge and mirror edge, dashboard (lighter) and 3 more parts
- **16 DMC 321 Red**
  Hat and mittens (middle), stop arm, rose hips and marker lamp, roof lamps (darker)
- **17 DMC 3810 Dark Turquoise** Coat (middle), child hat (dark)
- **18 DMC 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise**
  Coat (dark), coat seams, child hat (darkest)
- **19 DMC 3705 Dark Melon**
  Mittens and hat (light), hat ribs, scarf stripes and braid tie and 2 more parts
- **20 DMC 3766 Light Peacock Blue** Coat and child hat (light)
- **21 DMC 3371 Black Brown**
  Braid, eye and brow, child eyes and rabbit eye, face (dark), hair (darker)
- **22 DMC 435 Very Light Brown** Face and rabbit (light)
- **23 DMC 945 Tawny** Child face
- **24 DMC 434 Light Brown** Rabbit (middle)

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.

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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 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 310 Black	**16**	DMC 321 Red	**24**	DMC 434 Light Brown

How many strands

Long and short stitch. 2 strands: hills, snowy road, bus, lit cab, near drifts; 1 strand: spruces, snow on the spruces, lamp light, shadow under the bus, wheel arch, dashboard, seat, coat, mittens, face, hair, hat, pompon, scarf, child coat, child face, child hat, snow on the bus, rabbit.
Stem stitch. 4 strands: border; 3 strands: mirror arm; 2 or 3 strands: rose hip twig; 2 strands: hood seam, tire tread, wheel hub, headlamp rim, eye and brow, smile, lamp rims.
Straight stitch. 3 strands: headlamp light, scarf stripes; 2 strands: hat ribs, snowflakes; 1 strand: eye light, braid light, smile, rose hip light.
Split stitch. 2 strands: coat seams, mirror edge; 1 or 2 strands: face edge; 1 strand: mitten thumbs.
French knot. 2 strands: child eyes, child hat, rabbit eye, snowflakes; 1 strand: wheel nuts, earring, rabbit nose.

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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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