Capricorn zodiac sign

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.2 × 4.5 in (10.7 × 11.4 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

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.

20 colors of floss (page 2): 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 3 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 4, 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.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
   Sprig stem
2. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Wave leaves, flower cup, sprig leaves
3. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Horns, ears, far foreleg, back fin, tail lattice ground, red tail scales, fin flukes, flower petals, inner petals, blue tail scales, body, throat, fleece locks, near foreleg, shoulder locks, mane locks, jaw shadow, beard locks, head, forelock
4. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Stars, hooves, feathered fetlocks, flower heart ground, sprig petals, tail bands, eye, pupil, waves
5. **Trellis stitch**
   1 strand: tail lattice
   2 strands: flower center
6. **Straight stitch**
   1 strand: star rays, hoof highlights, hoof cleft
   2 strands: stamens, eye highlight
7. **Split stitch**
   2 strands: horn edges, ear edges, foreleg edges, wave leaf edges, back fin edges, fin fluke edges, flower petal edges, flower heart edge, body edge, head edge, wave edges
   1 strand: red tail scale edges, blue tail scale edges, fleece edges, shoulder edges, mane edges, beard edges, forelock edges
   3 strands: tail edges
8. **Stem stitch**
   2 strands: horn ridges, ear fold, wave leaf veins, tail rings, throat fur lines, nostril, mouth, wave lines
   1 strand: knee folds, back fin rays, fin rays, inner petal edges, lower lid, cheek
   3 strands: eyelid
9. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Wave foam
10. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
    Star hearts, stamen knots, sprig heart

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

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.

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A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



1	DMC 783 Medium Topaz	8	DMC 453 Light Shell Gray	15	DMC 3778 Light Terra Cotta
2	DMC 676 Light Old Gold	9	DMC 3866 Ultra Very Light Mocha	16	DMC 937 Medium Avocado Green
3	DMC 829 Very Dark Golden Olive	10	DMC 936 Very Dark Avocado Green	17	DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue
4	DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray	11	DMC 3012 Medium Khaki Green	18	DMC 312 Very Dark Baby Blue
5	DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray	12	DMC 3777 Very Dark Terra Cotta	19	DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue
6	DMC 413 Dark Pewter Gray	13	DMC 902 Very Dark Garnet	20	DMC 932 Light Antique Blue
7	DMC 647 Medium Beaver Gray	14	DMC 3830 Terra Cotta		

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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 ring is one French knot: mark a dot; a broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



1 in
25.4 mm

Not 1 inch (25.4 mm)? Print again at 100%.

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For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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