Cardinal Christmas ornament

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 3.5 × 4.3 in (8.9 × 10.9 cm).



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Straight stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Fir tips, pine needles, snowflakes
- **Stem stitch**, 2 to 3 strands
  Fir stems, bough, feet
- **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Berries, pine cone, pine cone scales, snow, bill, eye ring, eye, glass shine, cap, bow, bow inside
- **French knot**, 1 strand, two wraps
  Berry lights, eye light, snowflakes
- **Long and short stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Glass ball, bough, tail, body, wing feathers, wing coverts, shoulder, crest, head, mask, bill
- **Whipped back stitch**, 3 strands
  Gold rim
- **Split stitch**, 1 strand
  Feather edges, bill line
- **Couching**, 6 strands
  Ring
- **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Bow

Floss

- **DMC 890 Ultra Dark Pistachio Green**
  Fir tips and pine needles (dark)
- **DMC 3345 Dark Hunter Green**
  Fir tips and pine needles (middle)
- **DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green**
  Fir tips and pine needles (light)
- **DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown**
  Bough (middle), fir stems, pine cone scales (darker)
- **DMC 666 Bright Red**
  Bow (lightest), body and head (light), berries (lighter) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 498 Dark Red**
  Wing feathers and wing coverts (middle), body (dark) and 6 more parts
- **DMC 3756 Ultra Very Light Baby Blue**
  Snow (middle), snowflakes (darker), glass shine and berry lights
- **DMC 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise**
  Glass ball (darkest)
- **DMC 3809 Very Dark Turquoise** Glass ball (dark)
- **DMC 3810 Dark Turquoise** Glass ball (light)
- **DMC 597 Turquoise** Glass ball (lightest)
- **DMC 3371 Black Brown**
  Mask (darker), pine cone, feet, eye and bill line, bough (dark)
- **DMC 433 Medium Brown**
  Bough (light), pine cone scales (lighter)
- **DMC 3752 Very Light Antique Blue** Snow (dark)
- **DMC BLANC White**
  Snow (light), snowflakes (lighter), eye light
- **DMC 783 Medium Topaz** Gold rim (darker), cap (middle)
- **DMC 3822 Light Straw** Gold rim and ring (lighter), cap (light)
- **DMC 321 Red**
  Head and body (middle), tail, shoulder and bow (light) and 3 more parts
- **DMC 350 Medium Coral**
  Body and head (lightest), feather edges and eye ring
- **DMC 814 Dark Garnet**
  Bow and body (darkest), wing feathers and tail (dark) and 5 more parts
- **DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray** Mask (lighter)
- **DMC 946 Medium Burnt Orange** Bill (darker)
- **DMC 741 Medium Tangerine** Bill (lighter)
- **DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz** Cap (dark), ring (darker)

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 2 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 2 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on**
   Go over the lines of page 3, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron.

Pages 2 and 3 are the pattern at actual size. Print them at 100% with scaling turned off.

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6 inch hoop

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25.4 mm

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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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