Cardinal on a snowy holly branch

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



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
  Holly leaves, twig, branch, tail, body, crest, wing feathers, wing coverts, shoulder, mask, bill, snow
- **Stem stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Holly veins, berry stems
- **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Branch end, feet, eye ring, eye
- **Split stitch**, 1 strand
  Branch end, feather edges, bill
- **Straight stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Eye light, berry lights
- **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Berries
- **French knot**, 1 to 2 strands, two wraps
  Falling snow

Floss

- **DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green**
  Holly leaves (light), holly veins (darker)
- **DMC 3345 Dark Hunter Green**
  Holly leaves (middle), berry stems
- **DMC 895 Very Dark Hunter Green** Holly leaves (dark)
- **DMC 3348 Light Yellow Green** Holly veins (lighter)
- **DMC 3031 Very Dark Mocha Brown** Branch and twig (dark)
- **DMC 3371 Black Brown** Feet and eye, branch and twig (darkest)
- **DMC 840 Medium Beige Brown**
  Branch and twig (light), branch end (darker)
- **DMC 842 Very Light Beige Brown**
  Branch and twig (lightest), branch end (lighter)
- **DMC 321 Red**
  Body (middle dark), tail and wing coverts (light), berries (lighter) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 154 Very Dark Grape** Wing feathers and tail (darkest)
- **DMC 814 Dark Garnet**
  Body and bill (darkest), tail, wing feathers and wing coverts (dark), berries (darker)
- **DMC 498 Dark Red**
  Body (dark), wing coverts and tail (middle), wing feathers (light) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 666 Bright Red**
  Body (middle light), shoulder (light), crest (darker), tail (lightest)
- **DMC 350 Medium Coral** Feather edges (darker), bill (light)
- **DMC 606 Bright Orange-Red**
  Body (light), feather edges and crest (lighter), shoulder (lightest)
- **DMC 608 Bright Orange** Body (lightest)
- **DMC 310 Black** Mask
- **DMC 347 Very Dark Salmon** Bill (dark)
- **DMC 352 Light Coral** Bill (lightest)
- **DMC B5200 Snow White**
  Snow (lightest), falling snow, berry lights and eye light
- **DMC 932 Light Antique Blue** Snow (dark)
- **DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue** Snow (darkest)
- **DMC 3756 Ultra Very Light Baby Blue** Snow (light)

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.

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6 inch hoop

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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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