Cat face with a bow

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4 × 4.7 in (10.2 × 11.9 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: sage green cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of sage green cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

24 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. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Ruff, ribbon band, ribbon tails, bow loops, bow knot, inner ears, white of face, black side of face, ginger side of face, ear tufts, eyes, chin, muzzle, nose



2. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 4, 13
   Eye rims, pupils, eye highlights



3. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands, color 2
   Mouth

4. **Split stitch**, 1 strand, colors 2, 4
   Whiskers

5. **Straight stitch**
   2 strands, color 13
   Nostrils



6. **French knot**
   1 strand, two wraps, color 2
   Whisker dots



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

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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 822 Light Beige Gray	9	DMC 3841 Pale Baby Blue	17	DMC 400 Dark Mahogany
2	DMC 646 Dark Beaver Gray	10	DMC 3721 Dark Shell Pink	18	DMC 301 Medium Mahogany
3	DMC 647 Medium Beaver Gray	11	DMC 758 Very Light Terra Cotta	19	DMC 977 Light Golden Brown
4	DMC 3865 Winter White	12	DMC 413 Dark Pewter Gray	20	DMC 3827 Pale Golden Brown
5	DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue	13	DMC 310 Black	21	DMC 3822 Light Straw
6	DMC 797 Royal Blue	14	DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray	22	DMC 3051 Dark Green Gray
7	DMC 322 Dark Baby Blue	15	DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray	23	DMC 733 Medium Olive Green
8	DMC 3755 Baby Blue	16	DMC 3776 Light Mahogany	24	DMC 3820 Dark Straw

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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.



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