Cherry wreath with a blossom

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.7 × 4.4 in (11.9 × 11.2 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.

18 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. **Fishbone stitch**
   2 strands, colors 1, 2, 3, 4
   Leaves



2. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13
   Turned leaf edges, twigs, cut end, dimples, cherry highlights, sepals



3. **Padded satin stitch**
   2 strands, color 8
   Cherry padding



4. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand, colors 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17
   Cherries, buds, blossom petals



5. **Stem stitch**, colors 3, 4, 6, 7
   3 strands: stalks
   2 or 3 strands: bud stalks
   1 strand: leaf ribs, bark lights

6. **Split stitch**
   1 strand, colors 1, 9, 12, 16
   Turned leaf edges, cherry edges, bud edges, petal edges

7. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand, color 3
   Filaments



8. **French knot**
   two wraps, colors 4, 18
   2 strands: pistil
   1 strand: stamen tips



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 895 Very Dark Hunter Green	7	DMC 472 Ultra Light Avocado Green	13	DMC BLANC White
2	DMC 3346 Hunter Green	8	DMC 321 Red	14	DMC 666 Bright Red
3	DMC 471 Very Light Avocado Green	9	DMC 498 Dark Red	15	DMC 818 Baby Pink
4	DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green	10	DMC 350 Medium Coral	16	DMC 962 Medium Dusty Rose
5	DMC 3781 Dark Mocha Brown	11	DMC 352 Light Coral	17	DMC 761 Light Salmon
6	DMC 840 Medium Beige Brown	12	DMC 814 Dark Garnet	18	DMC 783 Medium Topaz

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6 inch hoop

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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