Child dress form with a gingham pinafore

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 3.7 × 4.6 in (9.4 × 11.7 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

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.

The back is seen: no knots. Start with tiny stitches; end around the backs of four or five stitches.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches.

New to this: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.

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.

Buy: 6 colors of floss (page 2), one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), embroidery needles size 9, and size 3 for 4 to 6 strands, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen, a water-soluble pen.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**
   2 strands: form, form outline
   3 strands: form seam (color 2)
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Feet, post, neck cap, strap, waistband, spool, spool ends
3. **Woven filling stitch**, 3 strands
   Pinafore
4. **Split stitch**, 2 strands
   Wood outline
5. **Back stitch**
   2 strands: form seam (color 2), bib outline, skirt outline, pocket (color 2)
   1 strand: folds, hem, needle (color 2)
6. **Stem stitch**
   2 strands: pinafore outline
   3 strands: trailing thread
7. **Running stitch**
   6 strands: tacking
   2 strands: pocket (color 4)
8. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Needle (color 2), pins
9. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 3 strands
   Daisy
10. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
    Daisy center, pin heads

Take out lines that still show, press face down on soft cloth.

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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 436 Tan	**3**	DMC 739 Ultra Very Light Tan	**5**	DMC 3731 Very Dark Dusty Rose
2	DMC 3862 Dark Mocha Beige	**4**	DMC 3755 Baby Blue	**6**	DMC BLANC White

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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 loop is one lazy daisy, begun at its point; a dashed line is running stitch.



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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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