Double decker bus with flowers, open top

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.2 × 4.4 in (10.7 × 11.2 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

Stitch in this order

Filled parts from the back of the picture forward, then lines, knots and raised parts.

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Wheel arches, tires, hubs, bus body, bus trim, driver hair, driver coat, driver face, back platform, headlamp, bumper, eucalyptus, and 5 more
2. **Trellis stitch**, 1 strand
   Lattice windows
3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Ribbon leaves
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Window frames, grab pole, bus trim, headlamp rim, wheel arches, rail, road, eucalyptus stems, bead stems, trailing ferns
5. **Split stitch**, 2 strands
   Bus edge
6. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Bead stems, trailing ferns, bee feelers
7. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Bee wings
8. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Bead knots, flower hearts
9. **Woven wheel stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Roses, buds

Floss

- **1 DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray**
  Tires, rail and driver hair, wheel arches and bee wings (darker) and 3 more parts
- **2 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Bus trim and window frames, hubs and flower hearts (lighter) and 4 more parts
- **3 DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Lattice windows (lighter), bead knots and hubs (darker) and 4 more parts
- **4 DMC 523 Light Fern Green** Bus body
- **5 DMC 520 Dark Fern Green**
  Lattice windows and ribbon leaves (darker), trailing ferns and 5 more parts
- **6 DMC 3835 Medium Grape**
  Scabious (lighter), driver coat, drifting petals (darkest)
- **7 DMC 402 Very Light Mahogany**
  Ranunculus (dark), buds (darker), driver face, drifting petals (light)
- **8 DMC 3768 Dark Gray Green**
  Eucalyptus (darker), eucalyptus stems
- **9 DMC 926 Medium Gray Green** Eucalyptus (lighter)
- **10 DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green**
  Ribbon leaves (lighter), ranunculus (darkest)
- **11 DMC 3834 Dark Grape** Scabious (darker)
- **12 DMC 352 Light Coral** Roses (light), drifting petals (middle)
- **13 DMC 351 Coral** Roses (middle), drifting petals (dark)
- **14 DMC 350 Medium Coral** Roses (dark)
- **15 DMC 3856 Ultra Very Light Mahogany**
  Ranunculus (light), buds (lighter), drifting petals (lightest)
- **16 DMC 951 Light Tawny** Ranunculus (lightest)

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 3 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 3 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on: the lines stay**
   Go over the lines of page 4, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron, as the pen's packet says.

Pages 3 and 4 are the pattern at actual size. Print them at 100% with scaling turned off. Then put the fabric in the hoop: inner ring under, drawing up, tight as a drum.

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6 inch hoop

How to read it

Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

Inside a filled shape start with two or three tiny stitches, which the filling covers. Start a line with a small knot on the back. End each thread by running the needle under the backs of a few stitches.

Each small ring is one French knot.

A number on the picture is a color of the list of floss on page 1. The fine lines on the colors show which way the stitches lie.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches. The first time: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.



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How many strands

Stem stitch. 3 strands: window frames, grab pole, wheel arches, road; 2 or 3 strands: bus trim, rail; 2 strands: headlamp rim, eucalyptus stems, trailing ferns; 1 strand: bead stems.
Straight stitch. 3 strands: trailing ferns; 1 strand: bead stems, bee feelers.
Woven wheel stitch. 4 strands: roses; 3 strands: buds.

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Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



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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