Easy baby elephant with a balloon

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4 × 4.2 in (10.2 × 10.7 cm).



Which color goes where.

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.

Pages 2 and 3 are the pattern at actual size. Print them at 100% with scaling turned off.

Work it in this order

1. Stitch the filled parts first, what lies behind before what lies in front of it.
2. Then stitch the lines: stems, veins and outlines over the edges of the filled parts.
3. Keep the knots for the end, so that the hoop and your hand do not flatten them.

Floss

- **DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green**
  Leaves, ground, flower stems and grass
- **DMC 349 Dark Coral**
  Balloon (darker), balloon edge, bow, string, trunk band, balloon tie and daisy centers
- **DMC 939 Very Dark Navy Blue**
  Outline, eye, tail tuft, tail, hair, smile and trunk folds
- **DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue**
  Far leg
- **DMC 353 Peach**
  Inner ear, toenails and cheek, balloon (lighter)
- **DMC 932 Light Antique Blue**
  Head and trunk, hind leg, front leg, ear and body
- **DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Cloud, daisies, balloon shine and eye light

Stitches

- **Stem stitch**, 2 to 6 strands
  Ground, string, outline, trunk folds, smile, hair, balloon edge, flower stems
- **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Tail, tail tuft, toenails, eye, cheek, trunk band, bow, balloon tie, balloon, leaves
- **Chain stitch**, 3 strands
  Far leg, body, hind leg, front leg, head and trunk, ear, inner ear, cloud
- **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
  Eye light, bow, daisy centers
- **Straight stitch**, 2 to 4 strands
  Balloon shine, daisies, grass
- **Lazy daisy stitch**, 3 strands
  Daisies

The thread
Inside a filled shape start with two or three tiny stitches, which the filling covers: a knot shows as a bump. A line may start with a small knot on the back or one of the knotless starts. End each thread by running the needle under the backs of a few stitches.

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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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