Easy curled chameleon

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.6 × 4.6 in (11.7 × 11.7 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: mustard yellow cotton or linen.

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.

Floss

- **1 DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown**
  Branch, branch outline and twig
- **2 DMC 746 Off White**
  Body rows and head rows (lightest), jaw rows (lighter), cut end and 2 more parts
- **3 DMC 3812 Very Dark Seagreen**
  Body rows and head rows (dark), leaves (darker)
- **4 DMC 704 Bright Chartreuse**
  Leaves (lighter), body rows and head rows (middle), leg rows (darker)
- **5 DMC 964 Light Seagreen**
  Toes, leg rows (lighter), body rows and head rows (light), jaw rows (darker)
- **6 DMC 350 Medium Coral**
  Body rows and head rows (darkest), crest, eye rings (darker)
- **7 DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green**
  Outline, toe outline, mouth and pupil

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Cut end, toes, pupil



2. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves



3. **Chain stitch**
   strands by part on page 2
   Branch, body rows, head rows, jaw rows, leg rows, eye rings



4. **Stem stitch**
   strands by part on page 2
   Branch outline, twig, outline, mouth, toe outline

5. **Straight stitch**, 3 strands
   Eye light



6. **French knot**
   3 strands, two wraps
   Crest



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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

Chain stitch. 3 strands: branch, body rows, head rows, jaw rows, leg rows; 2 or 3 strands: eye rings.
Stem stitch. 4 strands: twig, mouth; 3 or 4 strands: outline; 3 strands: branch outline, toe outline.

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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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