Easy galaxy in a teacup

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4 × 4.6 in (10.2 × 11.7 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 and knots.

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Night sky, galaxy arms, galaxy heart, leaves, flowers, garland stars, steam, moon, planet, stars



2. **Stem stitch**
   strands by part on page 2
   Saucer edge, handle, cup, cup foot, cup rim, cup rim inside, galaxy heart, star stream, gold rim, garland, planet ring

3. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Saucer flutes, sparkles



4. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Saucer band



5. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Gold line

6. **French knot**
   strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Stars in the drink, flower hearts, stars



Floss

- **1 DMC 336 Navy Blue**
  Night sky, saucer edge, cup rim, cup and cup foot, handle (darker)
- **2 DMC 799 Medium Delft Blue**
  Steam and handle (lighter), saucer band, cup rim inside, saucer flutes and star stream
- **3 DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Gold line, gold rim, moon and stars, galaxy heart (darker) and 4 more parts
- **4 DMC 208 Very Dark Lavender**
  Galaxy arms, steam and flowers (darker)
- **5 DMC 3607 Light Plum**
  Galaxy arms and flowers (lighter), planet
- **6 DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow**
  Galaxy heart and stars in the drink (lighter), sparkles
- **7 DMC 988 Medium Forest Green**
  Leaves and garland

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.

Begin with no knot on the back where it is seen and washed, as on a towel, a napkin or clothes; for a piece in a hoop a small knot is fine. End each thread by whipping it around the backs of four or five stitches, with one small hitch.

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. 5 strands: cup; 4 strands: cup rim, galaxy heart; 3 or 4 strands: handle; 3 strands: saucer edge, cup foot, gold rim, planet ring; 2 strands: cup rim inside, star stream, garland.
French knot. 2 strands: flower hearts, stars; 1 or 2 strands: stars in the drink.

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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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