Faux smocked Christmas stocking sketch

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 3.8 × 4.7 in (9.7 × 11.9 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: dark green cotton or linen.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Fern stitch**, 2 strands
   Fir
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Candy cane, present, present ribbon, present lid, present bow, ear centers, muzzle, nose, eyes, scarf, berries, loop, bow
3. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Bear, heel and toe, cuff
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Fir, stocking, heel and toe
5. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Bear edge, scarf, cuff
6. **Back stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Smile, brows, folds, pleats, smocking diamonds
7. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Eye lights, snowflakes, berry lights, paw lines
8. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Smocking cables
9. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Snowflakes, smocking knots

Floss

- **1 DMC 3346 Hunter Green**
  Fir (darker), smocking cables
- **2 DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green** Fir (lighter)
- **3 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Cuff (middle), candy cane (lighter), snowflakes and stocking and 3 more parts
- **4 DMC 321 Red**
  Heel and toe (middle), smocking diamonds, candy cane (darker) and 6 more parts
- **5 DMC 815 Medium Garnet**
  Present and scarf (darker), bow and heel and toe (dark)
- **6 DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Present ribbon and smocking knots, present bow (middle)
- **7 DMC 3822 Light Straw** Present bow (light)
- **8 DMC 782 Dark Topaz** Present bow (dark)
- **9 DMC 437 Light Tan** Bear (light)
- **10 DMC 433 Medium Brown**
  Bear (darkest), bear edge, paw lines and brows
- **11 DMC 435 Very Light Brown** Bear (dark)
- **12 DMC 738 Very Light Tan**
  Bear (lightest), ear centers
- **13 DMC 712 Cream** Cuff (light), muzzle and folds
- **14 DMC 3371 Black Brown** Eyes, nose and smile
- **15 DMC 842 Very Light Beige Brown**
  Pleats, cuff (dark)
- **16 DMC 3705 Dark Melon** Bow (light)

Three ways onto dark fabric

1. **Light shines through it**
   Lay page 3 on a bright light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a white marking pencil or pen.
2. **No light shines through**
   Print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, smooth it onto fabric that can be washed, stitch through both and rinse it away.
3. **White or yellow carbon paper**
   Lay it colored side down on the fabric with page 3 on top, tape the layers and trace firmly with a ballpoint pen. Go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Page 3 is the pattern at actual size (page 4 is its mirror, for an iron-on pen on a light fabric). Print it 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 fine broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.

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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6	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	**12**	DMC 738 Very Light Tan		

How many strands

Stem stitch. 4 strands: stocking; 3 strands: heel and toe; 2 strands: fir.
Split stitch. 1 or 2 strands: bear edge; 1 strand: scarf, cuff.
Back stitch. 3 strands: smocking diamonds; 1 strand: smile, brows, folds, pleats.
Straight stitch. 2 strands: snowflakes; 1 strand: eye lights, berry lights, paw lines.

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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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