Florida native plants wreath

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.7 × 4.7 in (11.9 × 11.9 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

21 colors of floss (page 2): one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes).

A water-soluble pen, and small scissors.

Onto the fabric

Fabric you can see through: page 3 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 4, the mirrored page, and press it ink side down as the pen's packet says. The lines stay.

Then hoop it, inner ring under, tight as a drum.

How to read it

Floss has six strands: cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number named one at a time, and lay them together.

Start a filling with tiny stitches, a line with a small knot; end under stitches on the back.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches.

New to this: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Muhly plumes (colors 2 and 3)



2. **Stem stitch**
   2 strands: muhly stems, muhly plumes (colors 2 and 3), coreopsis stems
   3 strands: coontie stems, beautyberry stems

3. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand
   Coreopsis buds, leaves, coreopsis rays, maypop leaves, maypop petals, hind wings, fore wings



4. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Coontie fronds, bracts, coreopsis hearts, corona ring, maypop heart, stamen tips, wing stripes, longwing body



5. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Beautyberry leaves



6. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Ray edges, petal veins

7. **Stem stitch**
   1 strand: lines of the leaves, lines of the maypop leaves, corona fringe (colors 16 and 20)
   2 strands: tendrils, lines of the stigmas

8. **Straight stitch**
   2 strands: corona fringe (color 20)
   3 strands: stamens
   1 strand: body bands



9. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Lines of the antennae

10. **French knot**, two wraps
    2 strands: beautyberries, knots of the coreopsis hearts, knots of the stigmas, knots of the maypop heart
    1 strand: wing spots, knots of the antennae



Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop or sew a pillow.

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A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



1	DMC 522 Fern Green	8	DMC 3346 Hunter Green	15	DMC 3031 Very Dark Mocha Brown
2	DMC 3688 Medium Mauve	9	DMC 915 Dark Plum	16	DMC 3746 Dark Blue Violet
3	DMC 778 Very Light Antique Mauve	10	DMC 917 Medium Plum	17	DMC 340 Medium Blue Violet
4	DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green	11	DMC 3607 Light Plum	18	DMC 341 Light Blue Violet
5	DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green	12	DMC 726 Light Topaz	19	DMC 3865 Winter White
6	DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz	13	DMC 725 Medium Light Topaz	20	DMC 550 Very Dark Violet
7	DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green	14	DMC 727 Very Light Topaz	21	DMC 310 Black

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Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot; a broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



1 in
25.4 mm

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For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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