Flower ring frame

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.7 × 4.8 in (11.9 × 12.2 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: dark green cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of dark green cotton or linen.

Embroidery needles, size 9, and size 3 for 4 or 5 strands.

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

A white pencil, and small scissors.

Onto the fabric

Fabric that lets light through: page 3 on a bright light, the fabric over it; trace with a white pencil.

Other fabric: print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, stick it on, stitch through it and rinse it away.

Or white or yellow carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint and go over a faint line with a white pencil.

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. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands, colors 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
   Leaves, silver leaves
2. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand, colors 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17
   Pansy petals, rose outer petals, rose inner petals
3. **Woven wheel stitch**, 4 strands, colors 11, 17
   Woven rose centers
4. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands, colors 5, 6
   Bud leaves, sepals
5. **Back stitch**, colors 3, 4, 6
   1 strand: leaf veins, knot spray stems (color 3)
   3 strands: bud stems (color 6)
6. **Stem stitch**, colors 1, 3, 6
   2 strands: knot spray stems (color 3), berry stems
   3 strands: bud stems (colors 1 and 6), flower stems
7. **Straight stitch**, 3 strands, colors 6, 7, 20
   Edges of the sepals, pansy throats, berry highlights
8. **Padded satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 3, 4, 10, 11, 12, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23
   Silver leaves, rosebuds, daisy petals, ink berries
9. **French knot**, 3 strands, two wraps, color 7
   Knot sprays
10. **Bullion knot**, 5 strands, colors 8, 9
    Coral buds
11. **Turkey work**, 2 strands, colors 7, 21
    Daisy center

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 561 Very Dark Jade	9	DMC 352 Light Coral	17	DMC 921 Copper
2	DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green	10	DMC 3856 Ultra Very Light Mahogany	18	DMC 746 Off White
3	DMC 503 Medium Blue Green	11	DMC 3776 Light Mahogany	19	DMC 3047 Light Yellow Beige
4	DMC 502 Blue Green	12	DMC 402 Very Light Mahogany	20	DMC 3865 Winter White
5	DMC 562 Medium Jade	13	DMC 154 Very Dark Grape	21	DMC 782 Dark Topaz
6	DMC 563 Light Jade	14	DMC 3834 Dark Grape	22	DMC 336 Navy Blue
7	DMC 3822 Light Straw	15	DMC 3835 Medium Grape	23	DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue
8	DMC 350 Medium Coral	16	DMC 153 Very Light Violet		

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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

Not 1 inch (25.4 mm)? Print again at 100%.

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