Full body scarecrow with sunflowers

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.2 × 4.7 in (10.7 × 11.9 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, loops and knots.

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Ground, pole, sunflower hearts, boots, trousers, sleeves, coat patches, wren, pocket, burlap face, hat
2. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Sunflower leaves, hat feather
3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Back petals, front petals, straw, trouser cuffs, knee patch, coat cuffs, coat buttons, wren tail, wren breast, wren bill, wren cheek, and 11 more
4. **Trellis stitch**, 2 strands
   Coat trellis
5. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Dark edge, sunflower stems, trouser stripes, wren brow, stitched smile, pumpkin tendril
6. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Ground chain, sleeve chain, coat chain, hat band chain
7. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Petal veins, boot laces, patch stitches, button threads, wren bars, stitched smile
8. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Straw edges

Floss

- **1 DMC 3011 Dark Khaki Green**
  Ground, coat patches (middle light), sleeves (light) and 5 more parts
- **2 DMC 3371 Black Brown**
  Dark edge, stitched smile, wren bars, wren bill and wren eye, seed knots (dark)
- **3 DMC 3821 Straw**
  Back petals and coat feather, straw (lighter), coat patches (lightest) and 8 more parts
- **4 DMC 433 Medium Brown**
  Straw edges, hat, pole, boots, hat brim, sunflower hearts and wren and 2 more parts
- **5 DMC 783 Medium Topaz**
  Front petals, coat patches (light), straw (darker), sleeves (lightest) and 5 more parts
- **6 DMC 920 Medium Copper**
  Coat patches and sleeves (dark), pumpkin (darker), pocket and 6 more parts
- **7 DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue**
  Trousers, coat patches (middle dark), sleeves (middle) and 3 more parts
- **8 DMC 712 Cream**
  Patch stitches, trouser stripes and coat herringbone and 9 more parts
- **9 DMC 3834 Dark Grape**
  Coat patches and sleeves (darkest), hat band, coat cuffs (darker) and 2 more parts
- **10 DMC 721 Medium Orange Spice**
  Pumpkin (lighter), neckerchief and coat buttons, coat chain (darker) and 2 more parts
- **11 DMC 437 Light Tan** Burlap face

Stitches, continued

9. **Feather stitch**, 2 strands
   Sleeve feather, coat feather
10. **Herringbone stitch**, 2 strands
    Sleeve herringbone, coat herringbone
11. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 2 strands
    Coat daisies
12. **French knot**, strands by part on page 2, two wraps
    Seed knots, sleeve knots, coat trellis, coat knots, wren eye, neckerchief dots

In a 6 inch hoop the French knots are drawn smaller than about 2 mm (a little over 1/16 in). Use one strand of floss for them there, or choose a larger hoop.

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.

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. Each small loop is one lazy daisy: come up at its point.

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. 4 strands: sunflower stems; 2 strands: trouser stripes, wren brow, stitched smile, pumpkin tendril; 1 or 2 strands: dark edge.
Straight stitch. 3 strands: boot laces; 2 strands: patch stitches, button threads, stitched smile; 1 strand: petal veins, wren bars.
French knot. 2 strands: seed knots, sleeve knots, coat knots, neckerchief dots; 1 strand: coat trellis, wren eye.

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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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