Garden gate under a rose arch

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.3 × 4.8 in (10.9 × 12.2 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.

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

24 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. **Long and short stitch**
   2 strands, colors 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21
   Far trees, lawn, grass edge, low hedge, open rose petals, straw hat
2. **Fishbone stitch**, colors 2, 4, 5, 14
   3 strands: rose leaves
   2 strands: foxglove leaves
3. **Satin stitch**
   colors 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23
   3 strands: flagstones, gate palings, lattice, arch posts, guard petals
   2 strands: far frame, battens, gate rails, gate stiles, arch hoops, gate hinges, turned petal edges, rose centers, hat ribbon, foxglove bells, foxglove lips, foxglove throats
4. **Woven wheel stitch**
   4 strands, colors 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21
   Woven roses
5. **Split stitch**, 1 strand, colors 2, 7, 11
   Stone shadows, gate shadows
6. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands, color 4
   Sepals, grass tufts
7. **Stem stitch**, colors 2, 4, 7, 12
   1 strand: hoop shadow
   3 strands: canes, foxglove stems
   2 strands: hat edge, lavender stems
8. **Fly stitch**, 3 strands, color 24
   Lavender flowers
9. **Bullion knot**, colors 15, 16, 17, 18
   3 strands: bullion buds
   2 strands: knots of the rose centers
10. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps, colors 2, 11, 22
    Gate latch, foxglove buds

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 772 Very Light Yellow Green	9	DMC 926 Medium Gray Green	17	DMC 948 Very Light Peach
2	DMC 3364 Pine Green	10	DMC 927 Light Gray Green	18	DMC 351 Coral
3	DMC 3348 Light Yellow Green	11	DMC 3768 Dark Gray Green	19	DMC 355 Dark Terra Cotta
4	DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green	12	DMC 841 Light Beige Brown	20	DMC 437 Light Tan
5	DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green	13	DMC 842 Very Light Beige Brown	21	DMC 739 Ultra Very Light Tan
6	DMC 644 Medium Beige Gray	14	DMC 501 Dark Blue Green	22	DMC 316 Medium Antique Mauve
7	DMC 3790 Ultra Dark Beige Gray	15	DMC 353 Peach	23	DMC 778 Very Light Antique Mauve
8	DMC 822 Light Beige Gray	16	DMC 352 Light Coral	24	DMC 155 Medium Dark Blue 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.



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