Girl reading in an apple tree

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.6 × 4.6 in (11.7 × 11.7 cm).



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Long and short stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Grass, twigs, bough, blossom, legs, arms, dress, neck, face, hair, sleeve, robin belly, robin head, and 2 more
- **Split stitch**, 1 strand
  Bark lines, dress folds, hair lights, wing feathers
- **Straight stitch**, 1 to 3 strands
  Grass, sepals, small blossom, stamens, shoe straps, lashes, mouth, robin legs
- **Satin stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Fallen petals, buds, sepals, socks, shoes, book cover, book pages, hands, fingers, sash, cheek, and 6 more
- **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
  Leaves
- **Stem stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Bud stalks, blossom stalks, sock tops, dress folds, eyes, brow, page edges
- **Lazy daisy stitch**, 3 strands
  Small blossom
- **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
  Blossom hearts, hem knots, curls, robin eye
- **Back stitch**, 1 strand
  Shoe soles, book lines, cover lines

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.

Floss

- **DMC 3346 Hunter Green**
  Leaves (middle), grass and sepals (lighter), bud stalks and blossom stalks
- **DMC 3345 Dark Hunter Green**
  Leaves and bark lines (dark), grass and sepals (darker)
- **DMC 646 Dark Beaver Gray** Bough and twigs (middle), book lines
- **DMC 3787 Dark Brown Gray** Bough and twigs (dark), bark lines (middle)
- **DMC 648 Light Beaver Gray**
  Bough, bark lines and twigs (light) and 3 more parts
- **DMC 3689 Light Mauve**
  Blossom (middle), small blossom (darker), fallen petals
- **DMC 3348 Light Yellow Green** Leaves (light)
- **DMC 3688 Medium Mauve** Blossom (dark), buds
- **DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Blossom (light), book pages, robin belly (lighter) and 7 more parts
- **DMC 3822 Light Straw** Blossom hearts and stamens
- **DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue** Shoes, book spine and shoe straps
- **DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue** Book cover and shoe soles
- **DMC 433 Medium Brown**
  Legs and arms (dark), robin head and robin wing (middle), hands (darker)
- **DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown**
  Curls (lighter), neck, arms and legs (darkest) and 4 more parts
- **DMC 434 Light Brown**
  Legs and arms (light), hands (lighter), fingers (darker), ear
- **DMC 435 Very Light Brown**
  Legs and arms (lightest), face (darker) and 3 more parts
- **DMC 498 Dark Red** Dress (darkest), dress folds (darker)
- **DMC 347 Very Dark Salmon**
  Dress and sleeve (dark), dress folds (lighter), mouth
- **DMC 350 Medium Coral** Dress (light), sleeve (middle)
- **DMC 352 Light Coral** Dress (lightest), sleeve (light), hair ribbon
- **DMC 3371 Black Brown**
  Hair, lashes, robin legs, brow and eyes, curls (darker) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 436 Tan** Face (lighter)
- **DMC 921 Copper** Robin breast and cheek

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 2 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 2 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on**
   Go over the lines of page 3, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron.

Pages 2 and 3 are the pattern at actual size. Print them at 100% with scaling turned off.

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6 inch hoop

Print at 100% (actual size). Do not scale or fit to page. Check the square below with a ruler before you trace.



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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