Goldfish swimming to the sea with tulips

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: by number on page 2.

Stitch in this order

Filled parts from the back of the picture forward, then lines and knots.

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Saz leaves, tulip stems, tulips, petal flames, bowl water, back swell, stream, eyes, glass light, waves, front swell
2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Tails, fins, goldfish
3. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Leaf edges, leaf veins, petal edges, water level, bowl rim, wave lines, stream lines, fin edges, fish edges, gills, eye rims, mouths, and 2 more
4. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Scales, fin rays
5. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Fish scales
6. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Sequins, eyes

Floss

- **1 DMC 3809 Very Dark Turquoise**
  Scales and water level, saz leaves (darkest), front swell (darker), waves (dark)
- **2 DMC 3810 Dark Turquoise**
  Stream and back swell (dark), saz leaves (light), waves (middle)
- **3 DMC 336 Navy Blue**
  Stream lines, petal edges, wave lines, leaf edges and base line and 3 more parts
- **4 DMC 817 Very Dark Coral Red**
  Tulips (middle), leaf veins
- **5 DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green**
  Saz leaves (dark), tulip stems
- **6 DMC 3364 Pine Green** Saz leaves (lightest)
- **7 DMC 815 Medium Garnet** Tulips (dark)
- **8 DMC 351 Coral** Tulips (light)
- **9 DMC 797 Royal Blue**
  Stream, back swell and waves (darkest), petal flames
- **10 DMC 747 Very Light Sky Blue**
  Back swell and waves (lightest), stream (light), bowl water (lighter), glass light
- **11 DMC 598 Light Turquoise**
  Stream (middle), back swell (light), bowl water (darker) and 2 more parts
- **12 DMC BLANC White** Stream (lightest), eyes (lighter)
- **13 DMC 743 Medium Yellow**
  Tails and fins (lightest), goldfish (light), sequins
- **14 DMC 741 Medium Tangerine**
  Goldfish (middle), tails and fins (light)
- **15 DMC 900 Dark Burnt Orange**
  Fin edges, fish scales, fish edges, eye rims, gills and mouths, tails and fins (darkest)
- **16 DMC 946 Medium Burnt Orange**
  Goldfish, fins and tails (dark), fin rays

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. A fine broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.

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. 3 strands: glass bowl, base line; 2 strands: leaf veins, water level, bowl rim, fish edges, gills, mouths; 1 or 2 strands: wave lines, stream lines; 1 strand: leaf edges, petal edges, fin edges, eye rims.

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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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