Wild grasses and herbs

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.5 × 4.5 in (11.4 × 11.4 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

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.

Floss

- **1 DMC 832 Golden Olive**
  Oat seeds, feather grass plume, feather grass and oat awns
- **2 DMC 469 Avocado Green**
  Tall blade (lighter), thyme leaves and oat grass stem and 2 more parts
- **3 DMC 935 Dark Avocado Green**
  Tall blade, rosemary leaves and sage veins (darker), sage edges and 8 more parts
- **4 DMC 522 Fern Green**
  Sage leaves, lavender stem and lavender leaves, rosemary leaves and sage veins (lighter)
- **5 DMC 29 Eggplant**
  Lavender flowers (darker)
- **6 DMC 28 Medium Light Eggplant**
  Lavender flowers (lighter), thyme flowers and rosemary flowers
- **7 DMC 817 Very Dark Coral Red**
  Ladybug wings

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Tall blade, grass at the foot, ladybug head, ladybug wings
2. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Sage leaves
3. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Feather grass, oat grass stem, oat grass stalks, lavender stem, rosemary stem, thyme stems, sage stem, sage veins, sage edges
4. **Fly stitch**, 1 strand
   Feather grass plume
5. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Oat awns, oat seeds, lavender flowers, rosemary leaves, ladybug feelers
6. **Back stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Sage veins, ladybug back
7. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 2 strands
   Oat seeds, lavender flowers, lavender leaves, thyme leaves
8. **French knot**, strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Rosemary flowers, thyme flowers, ladybug spots

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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.

Begin with no knot on the back where it is seen and washed, as on a towel, a napkin or clothes; for a piece in a hoop a small knot is fine. End each thread by whipping it around the backs of four or five stitches, with one small hitch.

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. 3 strands: lavender stem; 2 or 3 strands: feather grass, oat grass stem, sage stem; 2 strands: rosemary stem, thyme stems, sage veins, sage edges; 1 strand: oat grass stalks.
Straight stitch. 4 strands: rosemary leaves; 1 strand: oat awns, oat seeds, lavender flowers, ladybug feelers.
Back stitch. 2 strands: sage veins; 1 strand: ladybug back.
French knot. 2 strands: rosemary flowers, thyme flowers; 1 strand: ladybug spots.

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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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