Grumpy tabby cat in a daisy crown

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.1 × 4.4 in (10.4 × 11.2 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: dark green cotton or linen.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Ruff and shoulders, inner ears, face, ear tufts, eyes, eyelids, chin, muzzle, nose, daisies
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Eye rims, pupils, eye lights, clover leaves, daisy hearts, forget-me-nots, bee wings, bee, bee stripes
3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves
4. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Lid line, mouth, bee wing edges, bee face, whiskers
5. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Nostrils, clover marks, bee feelers
6. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Bee face
7. **French knot**
   strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Whisker dots, clover blossoms, daisy hearts, forget-me-not eyes

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

- **1 DMC 300 Very Dark Mahogany**
  Ruff and shoulders (shade 1 of 8), face (shade 1 of 7), whisker dots, eyelids (darkest)
- **2 DMC 400 Dark Mahogany**
  Ruff and shoulders (shade 2 of 8), face (shade 2 of 7), eyelids (dark)
- **3 DMC 301 Medium Mahogany**
  Ruff and shoulders (shade 3 of 8), face (shade 3 of 7) and 4 more parts
- **4 DMC 3776 Light Mahogany**
  Face (shade 4 of 7), ruff and shoulders (shade 4 of 8), eyelids (light)
- **5 DMC 977 Light Golden Brown**
  Face (shade 5 of 7), ruff and shoulders (shade 5 of 8), eyelids (lightest)
- **6 DMC 3827 Pale Golden Brown**
  Face (shade 6 of 7), ruff and shoulders (shade 6 of 8), chin (darkest)
- **7 DMC 739 Ultra Very Light Tan**
  Face (shade 7 of 7), ear tufts (middle) and 3 more parts
- **8 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Daisies (light), muzzle (lighter), ruff and shoulders (shade 8 of 8) and 4 more parts
- **9 DMC 3778 Light Terra Cotta**
  Inner ears and nose (middle), clover blossoms (darker)
- **10 DMC 758 Very Light Terra Cotta**
  Inner ears and nose (light), clover blossoms (lighter)
- **11 DMC 738 Very Light Tan** Ear tufts and chin (dark)
- **12 DMC 3371 Black Brown**
  Eye rims, pupils, bee stripes, lid line, mouth and bee feelers and 2 more parts
- **13 DMC 3820 Dark Straw** Eyes (light), bee, daisy hearts (lighter)
- **14 DMC 783 Medium Topaz**
  Daisy hearts (darker), eyes (dark), bee face (lighter)
- **15 DMC 3822 Light Straw** Eyes (lightest), forget-me-not eyes
- **16 DMC 3348 Light Yellow Green** Leaves (light), clover marks
- **17 DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green**
  Leaves (middle), clover leaves
- **18 DMC 3346 Hunter Green** Leaves (dark)
- **19 DMC 822 Light Beige Gray** Daisies (middle)
- **20 DMC 3023 Light Brown Gray** Daisies (dark)
- **21 DMC 3841 Pale Baby Blue** Forget-me-nots (lighter), bee wings
- **22 DMC 3755 Baby Blue** Forget-me-nots (darker)
- **23 DMC 322 Dark Baby Blue** Bee wing edges

Three ways onto dark fabric

1. **Light shines through it**
   Lay page 3 on a bright light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a white marking pencil or pen.
2. **No light shines through**
   Print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, smooth it onto fabric that can be washed, stitch through both and rinse it away.
3. **White or yellow carbon paper**
   Lay it colored side down on the fabric with page 3 on top, tape the layers and trace firmly with a ballpoint pen. Go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Page 3 is the pattern at actual size (page 4 is its mirror, for an iron-on pen on a light fabric). Print it 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

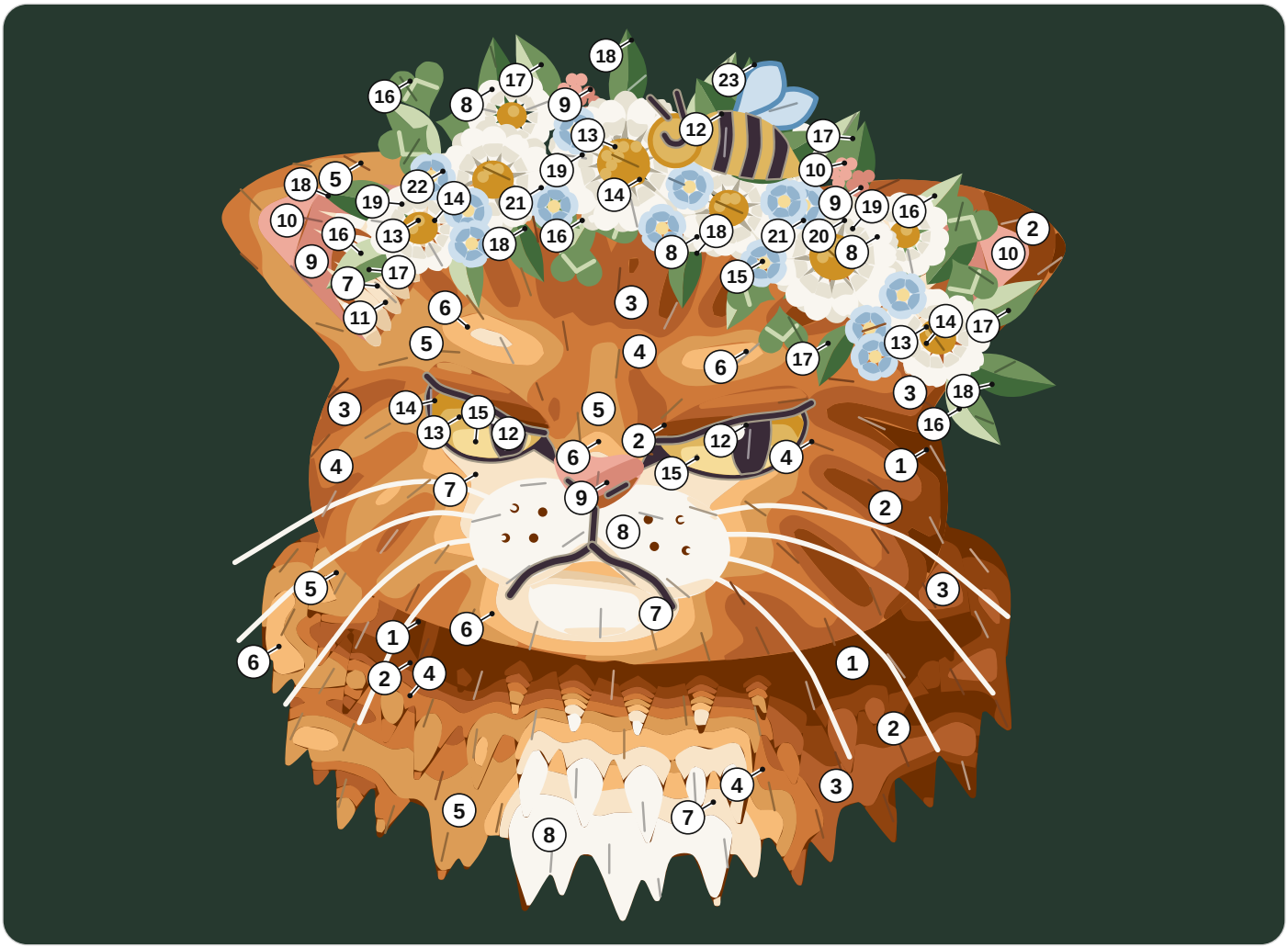
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

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

Split stitch. 3 or 4 strands: mouth; 3 strands: lid line; 1 strand: bee wing edges, bee face, whiskers.
Straight stitch. 2 strands: nostrils, bee feelers; 1 strand: clover marks.
French knot. 2 strands: clover blossoms, daisy hearts, forget-me-not eyes; 1 strand: whisker dots.

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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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