Happy birthday with laurel and bees

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.7 × 4.8 in (11.9 × 12.2 cm).



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Stem stitch**, 1 to 3 strands
  Branches, leaf outlines, berry stalks, words
- **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
  Leaves
- **Satin stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Leaves, berries, skep, skep door, hive board, wings, bee bodies, bee stripes, bee heads, bee fur
- **Straight stitch**, 1 strand
  Berry lights
- **Couching**, 6 strands
  Skep rows, skep door edge
- **Back stitch**, 1 strand
  Bee legs, wing edges, antennae
- **Turkey work**, 2 strands
  Bee fur
- **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
  Words

Floss

- **DMC 3051 Dark Green Gray**
  Leaves (darkest), leaf outlines (darker), branches and berry stalks
- **DMC 3052 Medium Green Gray** Leaves (middle dark)
- **DMC 927 Light Gray Green**
  Wings and berry lights, leaves (light)
- **DMC 3768 Dark Gray Green**
  Leaves (dark), wing edges, leaf outlines (lighter)
- **DMC 524 Very Light Fern Green** Leaves (lightest)
- **DMC 926 Medium Gray Green** Leaves (middle light)
- **DMC 3834 Dark Grape** Berries (lighter)
- **DMC 154 Very Dark Grape** Words, berries (darker)
- **DMC 3046 Medium Yellow Beige**
  Skep, skep rows (light)
- **DMC 3045 Dark Yellow Beige**
  Skep rows (dark), skep door edge (lighter)
- **DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz**
  Hive board, skep rows (darkest), skep door edge (darker), bee fur (dark)
- **DMC 3047 Light Yellow Beige** Skep rows (lightest)
- **DMC 3371 Black Brown**
  Skep door, bee stripes, bee legs, antennae and bee heads
- **DMC 782 Dark Topaz** Bee bodies, bee fur (middle)
- **DMC 3821 Straw** Bee fur (light)

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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1 in
25.4 mm

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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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