Heart wearing a crown

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.7 × 4.8 in (11.9 × 12.2 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: navy cotton or linen.

How to read it

Floss has six strands: cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number named one at a time, and lay them together.

Start a filling with tiny stitches, a line with a small knot; end under stitches on the back.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches.

New to this: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.

Onto the fabric

Fabric that lets light through: page 3 on a bright light, the fabric over it; trace with a white pencil.

Other fabric: print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, stick it on, stitch through it and rinse it away.

Or white or yellow carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint and go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Then hoop it, inner ring under, tight as a drum.

Buy: 22 colors of floss (page 2), 2 skeins of DMC 815; one of each other color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), embroidery needles size 9, and size 3 for 4 to 6 strands, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of navy cotton or linen, a white pencil.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
   Laurel stems

2. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand
   Heart, tulip (color 16), crown inside, crown



3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Laurel leaves, gold leaves



4. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Laurel tie, blossoms, blossom centers, tulip (color 14), crown band



5. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand
   Berry stalks



6. **Couching**, 6 strands
   Heart edge



7. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Gold scrolls, crown edge, finial edge

8. **Whipped back stitch**
   2 strands
   Band edges

9. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Ruby, turquoise stones, tip pearls, finial heart



10. **French knot**
    2 strands, two wraps
    Laurel berries, heart pearls, small pearls, band pearls



Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop or sew a pillow.

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.

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A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



1	DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green	9	DMC 498 Dark Red	17	DMC 869 Very Dark Hazelnut Brown
2	DMC 3013 Light Khaki Green	10	DMC 3801 Very Dark Melon	18	DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz
3	DMC 3364 Pine Green	11	DMC 783 Medium Topaz	19	DMC 3033 Very Light Mocha Brown
4	DMC 712 Cream	12	DMC 3822 Light Straw	20	DMC 782 Dark Topaz
5	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	13	DMC 3689 Light Mauve	21	DMC 3848 Medium Teal Green
6	DMC 321 Red	14	DMC 3688 Medium Mauve	22	DMC 3849 Light Teal Green
7	DMC 814 Dark Garnet	15	DMC 819 Light Baby Pink		
8	DMC 815 Medium Garnet	16	DMC 3865 Winter White		

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Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot; a dashed line is whipped back stitch; a finer one inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



1 in
25.4 mm

Not 1 inch (25.4 mm)? Print again at 100%.

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