Hello friend

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.6 × 4.5 in (11.7 × 11.4 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: pale blue cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of pale blue cotton or linen.

Embroidery needles, size 9, and size 3 for 4 or 5 strands.

24 colors of floss (page 2): one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes).

A water-soluble pen, and small scissors.

Onto the fabric

Fabric you can see through: page 3 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 4, the mirrored page, and press it ink side down as the pen's packet says. The lines stay.

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

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.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**
   2 strands: acorn stalks, grasses
   5 strands: string

2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Branch, tail, body, belly, head, muzzle, ears (colors 1, 9 and 14), arms, grass bank



3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Oak leaves, acorns, acorn caps, ears (color 11), feet, nose, eyes, tin cans, can labels, can mouths, label hearts, clover leaves, inner ears, letters



4. **Stem stitch**
   1 strand: leaf veins, can rims
   2 strands: daisy stems

5. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Mouths, eye rims

6. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 2 strands
   Daisies



7. **French knot**, two wraps
   1 strand: eye highlights
   2 strands: daisy centers, clover, string knots



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 3863 Medium Mocha Beige	9	DMC 922 Light Copper	17	DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray
2	DMC 839 Dark Beige Brown	10	DMC 300 Very Dark Mahogany	18	DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray
3	DMC 3864 Light Mocha Beige	11	DMC 920 Medium Copper	19	DMC 318 Light Steel Gray
4	DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green	12	DMC 3853 Dark Autumn Gold	20	DMC 3820 Dark Straw
5	DMC 3346 Hunter Green	13	DMC 712 Cream	21	DMC 3778 Light Terra Cotta
6	DMC 3345 Dark Hunter Green	14	DMC 842 Very Light Beige Brown	22	DMC 3810 Dark Turquoise
7	DMC 3348 Light Yellow Green	15	DMC 3371 Black Brown	23	DMC 3809 Very Dark Turquoise
8	DMC 921 Copper	16	DMC 3865 Winter White	24	DMC 321 Red

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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 loop is one lazy daisy, begun at its point; a broken line 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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For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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