Horse with a flower mane, Polish manner

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.1 × 4.5 in (10.4 × 11.4 cm).



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

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.

Floss

- **1 DMC 703 Chartreuse**
  Leaves (lighter), stems and bud cups, flower hearts (light) and 2 more parts
- **2 DMC 415 Pearl Gray** Far legs (lighter)
- **3 DMC 318 Light Steel Gray** Far legs (darker)
- **4 DMC 783 Medium Topaz** Hooves (lighter)
- **5 DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz** Hooves (darker)
- **6 DMC 322 Dark Baby Blue**
  Saddle cloth border and shoulder rosette (darker), cornflowers and 3 more parts
- **7 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Coat, star and muzzle (light), horse outline and eye light, ears (lighter)
- **8 DMC 842 Very Light Beige Brown**
  Coat (dark), shade lines, face lines (lighter)
- **9 DMC 3033 Very Light Mocha Brown**
  Coat and muzzle (middle), ears (darker)
- **10 DMC 761 Light Salmon** Inner ears, muzzle (dark)
- **11 DMC 3371 Black Brown**
  Eye, eyelid and nostril, face lines (darker)
- **12 DMC 666 Bright Red**
  Roses, poppies and heart (middle), saddle cloth and breast collar and 5 more parts
- **13 DMC 741 Medium Tangerine**
  Marigolds, saddle cloth border (lighter), flower hearts (lightest) and 7 more parts
- **14 DMC 987 Dark Forest Green**
  Leaves, heart leaves and rosette leaves (darker)
- **15 DMC 815 Medium Garnet**
  Roses, poppies and heart (dark), flower hearts (darkest)
- **16 DMC 351 Coral** Roses and poppies (light), buds (middle)

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Long and short stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Far legs, coat, muzzle
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Hooves, coronets, ears, inner ears, nostril, eye, collar drops, breast collar, girth, saddle cloth border, saddle cloth, star, heart, and 9 more
3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Heart leaves, rosette leaves, leaves
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Stems, face lines, eyelid, collar edges, girth edges
5. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Far legs, horse outline, shade lines, heart
6. **French knot**, strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Eye light, collar edges, star, halter, flower hearts

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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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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6	DMC 322 Dark Baby Blue	**12**	DMC 666 Bright Red		

How many strands

Long and short stitch. 2 strands: far legs, coat; 1 strand: muzzle.
Stem stitch. 2 to 4 strands: stems; 2 strands: eyelid, collar edges, girth edges; 1 or 2 strands: face lines.
Split stitch. 2 strands: shade lines, heart; 1 or 2 strands: horse outline; 1 strand: far legs.
French knot. 2 strands: halter; 1 or 2 strands: star, flower hearts; 1 strand: eye light, collar edges.

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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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