Huckleberry branch with a small bear

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 3.8 × 3.8 in (9.7 × 9.7 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**
   3 strands: lines of the branch
   2 strands: leaf stalks, berry stalks, grass

2. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves



3. **Split stitch**, 3 strands
   Branch, tail, back and belly, bib, legs, feet, paws, arm, ears, head, muzzle

4. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Berries, foot pads, inner ear, nose, eye



5. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Berry crowns

6. **Split stitch**
   3 strands: outline
   2 strands: toes

7. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Eye highlight



8. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Mouth, grass blades

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

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 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.

Buy: 7 colors of floss (page 2), 2 skeins of DMC 435; one of each other color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), an embroidery needle size 7, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen, a water-soluble pen.

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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 801 Dark Coffee Brown	**4**	DMC 435 Very Light Brown	**7**	DMC 437 Light Tan
2	DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green	**5**	DMC 154 Very Dark Grape		
3	DMC 3052 Medium Green Gray	**6**	DMC 3835 Medium Grape		

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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.



1 in
25.4 mm

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

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