Jacobean tree of life with birds

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.7 × 4.9 in (11.9 × 12.4 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Right leaf, left leaf, boughs, trunk, rose leaf, and 16 more
2. **Trellis stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Right leaf lattice, left leaf lattice, bloom lattice, and 3 more
3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Fishbone leaves, sepals, strawberry leaves
4. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Berries, bloom heart, rosette petals, rosette center, and 9 more
5. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Twigs, tendrils, leaf edges, boughs grain, and 18 more
6. **Chain stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Right leaf rows, leaf veins, wing rows, hillock rows
7. **Fly stitch**, 1 strand
   Leaf veins
8. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Petal stitches, nest straws, bird feet, crest, and 2 more
9. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Hare edges
10. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 2 strands
    Strawberry caps
11. **French knot**
    strands by part on page 2, two wraps
    Berry lights, petal knots, bloom lattice, and 6 more
12. **Turkey work**, 2 strands
    Thistle tuft

Floss

- **1 DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green** Left leaf lattice (darker) and 8 more parts
- **2 DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green** Hillock rims (darkest) and 8 more parts
- **3 DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue**
  Right leaf (darkest) and 9 more parts
- **4 DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue** Right leaf lattice (darker) and 7 more parts
- **5 DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue** Blue bird (light) and 4 more parts
- **6 DMC 932 Light Antique Blue**
  Right leaf and tail (lightest) and 3 more parts
- **7 DMC 3822 Light Straw** Outer petals (light) and 11 more parts
- **8 DMC 3820 Dark Straw** Hillock lattice (light) and 12 more parts
- **9 DMC 3722 Medium Shell Pink** Side petals (middle) and 7 more parts
- **10 DMC 934 Black Avocado Green** Left leaf (darkest) and 7 more parts
- **11 DMC 3364 Pine Green** Hillock lattice (middle dark) and 3 more parts
- **12 DMC 3781 Dark Mocha Brown**
  Trunk (dark), boughs (middle) and 17 more parts
- **13 DMC 3031 Very Dark Mocha Brown**
  Boughs grain (darker) and 8 more parts
- **14 DMC 840 Medium Beige Brown** Hare (light) and 6 more parts
- **15 DMC 842 Very Light Beige Brown** Hare (lightest) and 3 more parts
- **16 DMC 221 Very Dark Shell Pink** Side petals (dark) and 12 more parts
- **17 DMC 224 Very Light Shell Pink** Side petals (light) and 6 more parts
- **18 DMC 3829 Very Dark Old Gold** Outer petals (dark) and 10 more parts
- **19 DMC 919 Red Copper** Inner petals (middle) and 10 more parts
- **20 DMC 921 Copper** Strawberries (light) and 4 more parts
- **21 DMC 598 Light Turquoise** Eggs (lighter)
- **22 DMC 597 Turquoise** Egg edges, eggs (darker)

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 3 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 3 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on: the lines stay**
   Go over the lines of page 4, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron, as the pen's packet says.

Pages 3 and 4 are the pattern at actual size. Print them at 100% with scaling turned off. Then put the fabric in the hoop: inner ring under, drawing up, tight as a drum.

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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. Each small loop is one lazy daisy: come up at its point. 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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How many strands

Trellis stitch. 2 strands: right leaf lattice, left leaf lattice, bloom lattice, tulip lattice; 1 or 2 strands: hillock lattice; 1 strand: thistle scales.
Stem stitch. 3 strands: nest rim; 1 to 3 strands: twigs; 2 strands: tendrils, leaf edges, trunk grain, outer petals edges, side petals edges, inner petals edges, bird legs, strawberry stems, hare edges; 1 or 2 strands: bloom heart edge, tulip edges, hillock edges; 1 strand: boughs grain, leaf veins, rosette edges, egg edges, nest straws, bird edges, wing rows, strawberry edges.
Chain stitch. 2 strands: leaf veins, hillock rows; 1 strand: right leaf rows, wing rows.
Straight stitch. 2 strands: bird feet, crest; 1 strand: petal stitches, nest straws, strawberry seeds, whiskers.
French knot. 2 strands: petal knots, rosette knots, tail eyes, wing rows, crest, hillock knots; 1 or 2 strands: eyes; 1 strand: berry lights, bloom lattice.

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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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