Turkey with scroll feathers

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.3 × 4.5 in (10.9 × 11.4 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

16 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. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Third plume
2. **Stem stitch**
   2 strands: third plume edges, seventh plume
   3 strands: sixth plume edges, tendril
3. **Trellis stitch**, 2 strands
   First plume trellis
4. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Second plume, pomegranate leaves, tendril leaves, rump feathers
5. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   First plume, fourth plume, fifth plume, pomegranate, far hills, front hill, thighs, breast and back, wing feathers, small wing feathers, wing shoulder, beard, neck, neck feathers, head
6. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Pomegranate crown, pomegranate flesh, feet, legs, wattle, bill, snood, eye ring, eye
7. **Fly stitch**, 2 strands
   Sixth plume
8. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Hill rows (color 12), wing scroll
9. **Stem stitch**
   2 strands: first plume edges, fourth plume edges, fifth plume edges, fifth plume quill, pomegranate edges, hill edges, hill rows (color 6), wing shoulder edge
   3 strands: second plume stem
   1 strand: feather lips, wing feather edges, bill line, wattle edge
10. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand
    Edges of the beard, eye highlight
11. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
    Brow
12. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
    Fourth plume knots, scroll eyes, pomegranate seeds, neck bumps

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

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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 312 Very Dark Baby Blue	7	DMC 598 Light Turquoise	13	DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz
2	DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue	8	DMC 3809 Very Dark Turquoise	14	DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green
3	DMC 597 Turquoise	9	DMC 3834 Dark Grape	15	DMC 347 Very Dark Salmon
4	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	10	DMC 154 Very Dark Grape	16	DMC 3777 Very Dark Terra Cotta
5	DMC 936 Very Dark Avocado Green	11	DMC 3835 Medium Grape		
6	DMC 3364 Pine Green	12	DMC 783 Medium Topaz		

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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 broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



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25.4 mm

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For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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