Japanese crane and pine wall hanging

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 2.9 × 4.4 in (7.4 × 11.2 cm).



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

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Sun, rock, pine bough, thighs, breast and body, wing feathers, wing coverts, black neck, nape
2. **Trellis stitch**, 1 strand
   Mist filling
3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Bamboo leaves, black plumes, feet, legs, red crown, bill, eye ring, tortoiseshell hearts, rods, rod ends
4. **Couching**, strands by part on page 2
   Mist bands, plume edges, feather edges, gold frame
5. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Waves, bamboo stalks
6. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Pine needles, eye light
7. **Back stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Bill line, tortoiseshell bands
8. **Whipped back stitch**, 3 strands
   Hanging cord

Floss

- **1 DMC 3328 Dark Salmon** Sun (darker)
- **2 DMC 3712 Medium Salmon** Sun (lighter)
- **3 DMC 3822 Light Straw** Mist filling and mist bands (lighter)
- **4 DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Gold frame and feather edges (lighter), tortoiseshell bands and 6 more parts
- **5 DMC 782 Dark Topaz**
  Gold frame, mist bands, feather edges and plume edges (darker)
- **6 DMC 3752 Very Light Antique Blue**
  Waves, wing feathers and breast and body (dark), thighs (darker)
- **7 DMC 647 Medium Beaver Gray** Rock (middle)
- **8 DMC 3790 Ultra Dark Beige Gray**
  Rods, pine bough (darker), rock (dark)
- **9 DMC 648 Light Beaver Gray** Rock (light)
- **10 DMC 3346 Hunter Green**
  Pine needles and bamboo leaves (dark), bamboo stalks
- **11 DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green**
  Pine needles and bamboo leaves (middle)
- **12 DMC 3348 Light Yellow Green**
  Pine needles and bamboo leaves (light)
- **13 DMC 3862 Dark Mocha Beige** Pine bough (lighter)
- **14 DMC 318 Light Steel Gray** Black plumes and legs (lighter)
- **15 DMC 310 Black**
  Black plumes and black neck (darker), bill line and eye
- **16 DMC 317 Pewter Gray** Legs (darker), feet
- **17 DMC 3753 Ultra Very Light Antique Blue**
  Breast and body and wing feathers (middle), wing coverts (darker), thighs (lighter)
- **18 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Wing coverts (lighter), breast and body and wing feathers (light), nape and eye light
- **19 DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray** Black neck (lighter)
- **20 DMC 349 Dark Coral**
  Tortoiseshell hearts and red crown, hanging cord (darker)
- **21 DMC 612 Light Drab Brown** Bill

Stitches, continued

9. **French knot**, strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Pine hubs, eye

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.

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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 dashed line is whipped back stitch. 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

Couching. 4 strands: gold frame; 3 strands: mist bands; 1 strand: plume edges, feather edges.
Stem stitch. 3 strands: bamboo stalks; 2 strands: waves.
Straight stitch. 2 strands: pine needles; 1 strand: eye light.
Back stitch. 2 strands: tortoiseshell bands; 1 strand: bill line.
French knot. 2 strands: eye; 1 strand: pine hubs.

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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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