Jeweled seahorse and baby

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 3.9 × 4.6 in (9.9 × 11.7 cm).



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

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Sea fan foot, baby tail, armor plates, eye, baby grooves, baby armor, baby eye
2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Armor grooves, head, baby head
3. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Armor plates, coronet, snout tip, cheek plate, eye, baby armor
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Sea fan, lace fin edge, coronet edge, snout bands, eye, baby ridge, baby fin, baby eye
5. **Fly stitch**, 1 strand
   Lace fin, baby fin
6. **Couching**, strands by part on page 2
   Gold ridge, cheek edge
7. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Ridge spines, bubbles, baby rings, baby coronet, baby snout bands
8. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Bubbles
9. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Head edge, baby edge
10. **French knot**
    strands by part on page 2, two wraps
    Sea fan tips, lace fin pearls, seed knots, ridge pearls, bubbles, coronet pearls, cheek pearls, eye light, baby pearls, baby coronet, and 2 more

Floss

- **1 DMC 3849 Light Teal Green** Sea fan (light)
- **2 DMC 3809 Very Dark Turquoise** Sea fan (dark), sea fan foot
- **3 DMC 3848 Medium Teal Green** Sea fan (middle)
- **4 DMC 964 Light Seagreen** Bubbles (darker), sea fan tips
- **5 DMC 3743 Very Light Antique Violet**
  Lace fin, baby fin (darker)
- **6 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Seed knots (lighter), lace fin edge, ridge pearls and coronet pearls and 7 more parts
- **7 DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Gold ridge (lighter), seed knots (darker), coronet edge, eye (light) and 10 more parts
- **8 DMC 3341 Apricot**
  Armor plates, head and cheek plate (light), baby tail and 2 more parts
- **9 DMC 902 Very Dark Garnet**
  Armor grooves, eye (middle), armor plates and head (darkest)
- **10 DMC 967 Very Light Apricot**
  Baby armor (lighter), armor plates and head (lightest), baby head (light)
- **11 DMC 352 Light Coral**
  Armor plates and head (middle light), coronet (lighter) and 2 more parts
- **12 DMC 3731 Very Dark Dusty Rose**
  Armor plates and head (middle dark), coronet (darker), cheek plate (dark)
- **13 DMC 3350 Ultra Dark Dusty Rose**
  Baby grooves, baby edge and head edge, armor plates and head (dark) and 2 more parts
- **14 DMC 783 Medium Topaz** Gold ridge and cheek edge (darker)
- **15 DMC 3822 Light Straw** Cheek pearls (darker)
- **16 DMC 939 Very Dark Navy Blue** Baby eye (darker), eye (dark)

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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How to read it

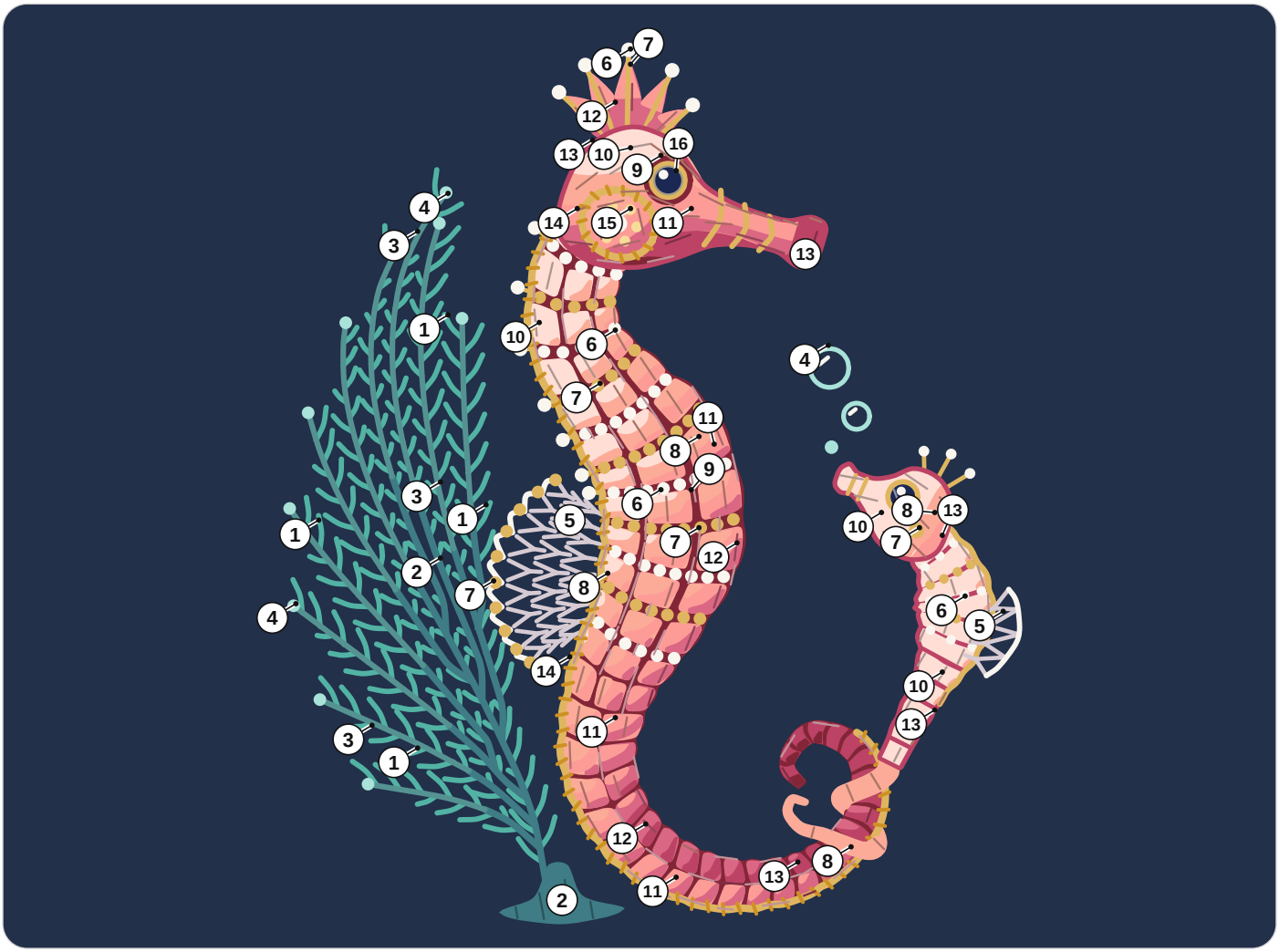
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

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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How many strands

Stem stitch. 1 to 3 strands: sea fan; 2 strands: lace fin edge, snout bands, baby ridge; 1 strand: coronet edge, eye, baby fin, baby eye.
Couching. 6 strands: gold ridge; 4 strands: cheek edge.
Straight stitch. 3 strands: ridge spines, baby coronet; 1 strand: bubbles, baby rings, baby snout bands.
French knot. 2 strands: sea fan tips, lace fin pearls, seed knots, ridge pearls, bubbles, coronet pearls, baby cheek; 1 or 2 strands: cheek pearls; 1 strand: eye light, baby pearls, baby coronet, baby eye light.

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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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