Koala in a gum tree at sunset

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

1. **Long and short stitch**
   strands by part on page 2
   Sky, clouds, ridges, far gum tops, middle gum tops, near gum tops, trunk, body, chest, leg, ears, head, chin, inner ear, arm
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Sun, peeling bark, nose, eye rim, eye, fingers, toes, leaves
3. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Twigs, limb edge, eyelid, gold light, edge
4. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Mouth
5. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Eye light, claws
6. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Fur edges

Floss

- **1 DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow** Sky and clouds (lightest)
- **2 DMC 3041 Medium Antique Violet**
  Sky (darkest), trunk (dark), edge and limb edge, twigs (darker)
- **3 DMC 3042 Light Antique Violet**
  Ridges and trunk (middle), sky (dark), peeling bark (darker) and 2 more parts
- **4 DMC 778 Very Light Antique Mauve**
  Ridges (lightest), sky (middle dark)
- **5 DMC 761 Light Salmon** Sky (middle light), clouds (dark)
- **6 DMC 3824 Light Apricot** Sky (light), peeling bark (lighter)
- **7 DMC 743 Medium Yellow** Clouds (light), gold light and eye light
- **8 DMC 3341 Apricot** Sun
- **9 DMC 932 Light Antique Blue** Ridges (light)
- **10 DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue**
  Ridges (dark), far gum tops (lighter)
- **11 DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue**
  Far gum tops (darker), ridges (darkest)
- **12 DMC 934 Black Avocado Green**
  Middle gum tops (darker), leaves and near gum tops (dark)
- **13 DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green**
  Leaves and near gum tops (middle), middle gum tops (lighter)
- **14 DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green**
  Leaves and near gum tops (light)
- **15 DMC 712 Cream** Trunk, chest and inner ear (light), chin (lighter)
- **16 DMC 318 Light Steel Gray**
  Body, head, ears, leg and arm (light), toes and fingers (lighter), chest (dark)
- **17 DMC 317 Pewter Gray**
  Body, leg, ears, head and arm (darkest), fur edges and eyelid
- **18 DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray**
  Leg, body, ears, head, arm and inner ear (dark), fingers and toes (darker)
- **19 DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray**
  Arm, body, head, ears and leg (lightest), chest (middle), eye rim and 2 more parts
- **20 DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray**
  Nose, claws, eye and mouth

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

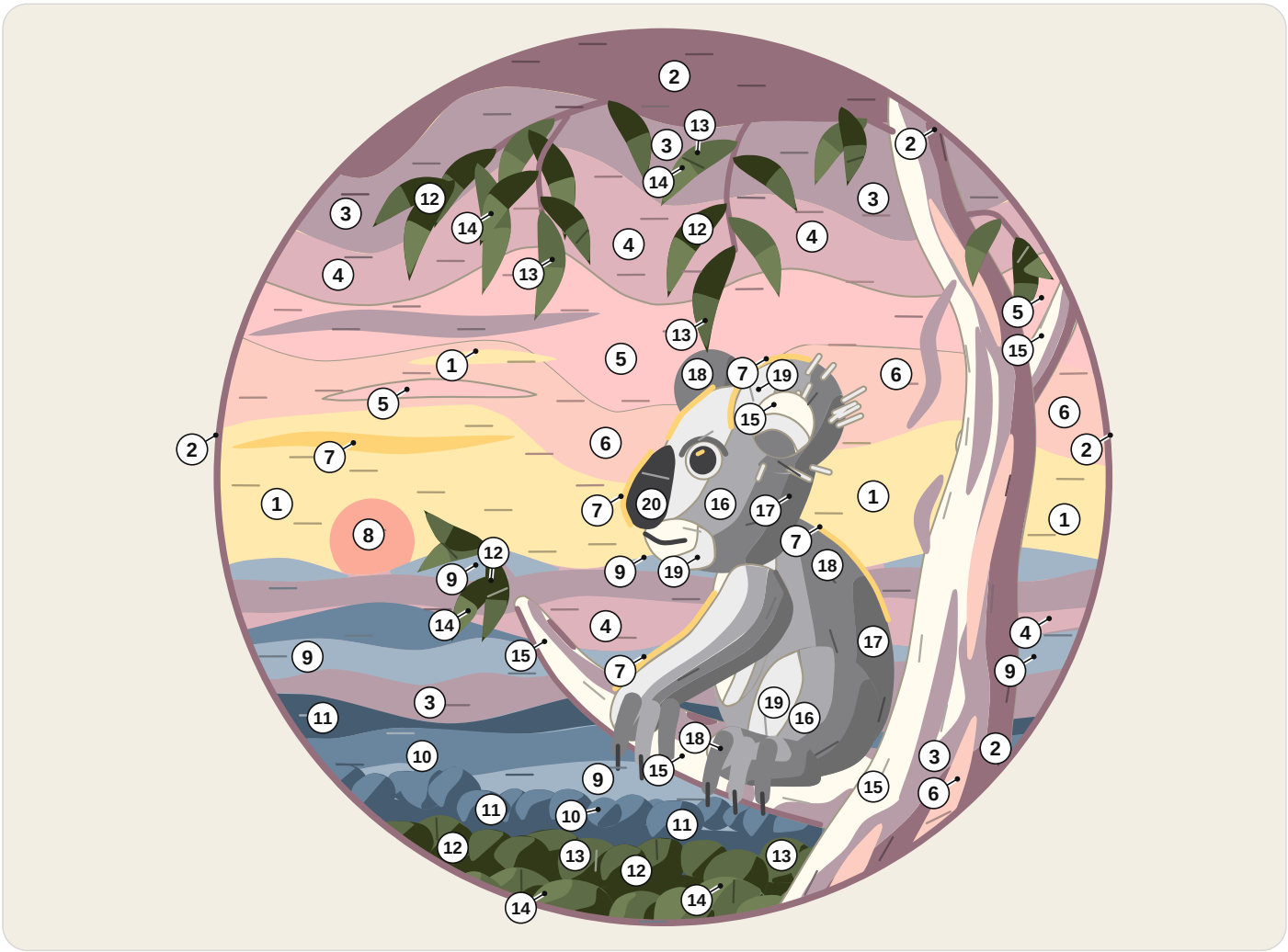
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

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.

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

Long and short stitch. 2 strands: sky, clouds, ridges, far gum tops, middle gum tops, near gum tops, trunk; 1 strand: body, chest, leg, ears, head, chin, inner ear, arm.
Stem stitch. 3 strands: edge; 2 or 3 strands: twigs; 2 strands: limb edge, eyelid; 1 or 2 strands: gold light.
Straight stitch. 3 strands: claws; 2 strands: 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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