Lake life

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.7 × 4.7 in (11.9 × 11.9 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: pale blue cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of pale blue cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

19 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. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand, colors 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 17, 18, 19
   Sky, clouds, far hills, middle hills, near hills, mist, pine bank, canoe



2. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 5, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18
   Sun, pine reflections, sun on the water, saying, ripples, dock posts, dock edge, dock planks, post tops, canoe reflection, canoe inside, canoe seats, paddle



3. **Straight stitch**
   2 strands, colors 4, 10, 11
   Pines (colors 10 and 11), rope (color 4)



4. **Stem stitch**, colors 4, 10, 11, 14
   1 strand: pines (colors 10 and 11)
   2 strands: edges of the dock edge, canoe rim, lines of the paddle, rope (color 14)
   3 strands: border

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 3856 Ultra Very Light Mahogany	8	DMC 3042 Light Antique Violet	15	DMC 3032 Medium Mocha Brown
2	DMC 3779 Very Light Rosewood	9	DMC 3740 Dark Antique Violet	16	DMC 3033 Very Light Mocha Brown
3	DMC 945 Tawny	10	DMC 501 Dark Blue Green	17	DMC 498 Dark Red
4	DMC 3823 Ultra Pale Yellow	11	DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green	18	DMC 321 Red
5	DMC 746 Off White	12	DMC BLANC White	19	DMC 350 Medium Coral
6	DMC 3743 Very Light Antique Violet	13	DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue		
7	DMC 28 Medium Light Eggplant	14	DMC 3862 Dark Mocha Beige		

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



1 in
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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