Arrow with three hanging feathers

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.5 × 3.8 in (11.4 × 9.7 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.

23 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. **Whipped back stitch**
   3 strands, colors 16, 18
   Cords



2. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand, colors 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20
   Down, blue feather, white tip, russet feather, spotted feather, arrow shaft, fletching (color 11)



3. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 2, 6, 7, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 23
   Feather bars, quills, feather stripes, quill wrapping, fletching (color 16), arrowhead, wrapped thread, cord wrapping



4. **Split stitch**
   1 strand, colors 1, 2, 6, 11, 12, 16, 20
   Lines of the down, lines of the arrow shaft, edges of the fletching, lines of the arrowhead

5. **Padded satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 13, 16, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23
   Wooden beads, turquoise beads, cord knots



6. **French knot**
   two wraps, colors 5, 19
   1 strand: feather spots
   2 strands: cord ends



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 415 Pearl Gray	9	DMC 3841 Pale Baby Blue	17	DMC 317 Pewter Gray
2	DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray	10	DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray	18	DMC 435 Very Light Brown
3	DMC 312 Very Dark Baby Blue	11	DMC 738 Very Light Tan	19	DMC 347 Very Dark Salmon
4	DMC 322 Dark Baby Blue	12	DMC 922 Light Copper	20	DMC 433 Medium Brown
5	DMC 3865 Winter White	13	DMC 437 Light Tan	21	DMC 964 Light Seagreen
6	DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray	14	DMC 918 Dark Red Copper	22	DMC 3847 Dark Teal Green
7	DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue	15	DMC 920 Medium Copper	23	DMC 3849 Light Teal Green
8	DMC 3755 Baby Blue	16	DMC 898 Very Dark Coffee Brown		

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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 dashed line is whipped back stitch; a finer one 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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