Love is love

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.9 × 4.9 in (12.4 × 12.4 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: charcoal cotton or linen.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Berry stalks
2. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Berry stalks, sprig stems
3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Laurel leaves, sprig leaves
4. **Stem stitch**, 4 strands
   Laurel stem
5. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Berries, letters



Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop or sew a pillow.

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.

Onto the fabric

Fabric that lets light through: page 3 on a bright light, the fabric over it; trace with a white pencil.

Other fabric: print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, stick it on, stitch through it and rinse it away.

Or white or yellow carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint and go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Then hoop it, inner ring under, tight as a drum.

Buy: 19 colors of floss (page 2), one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), embroidery needles size 7, and size 5 for 4 strands, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of charcoal cotton or linen, a white pencil.

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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 304 Medium Red	8	DMC 3837 Ultra Dark Lavender	15	DMC 3766 Light Peacock Blue
2	DMC 946 Medium Burnt Orange	9	DMC 718 Plum	16	DMC 799 Medium Delft Blue
3	DMC 741 Medium Tangerine	10	DMC 3801 Very Dark Melon	17	DMC 209 Dark Lavender
4	DMC 906 Medium Parrot Green	11	DMC 970 Light Pumpkin	18	DMC 3607 Light Plum
5	DMC 943 Medium Aquamarine	12	DMC 726 Light Topaz	19	DMC BLANC White
6	DMC 995 Dark Electric Blue	13	DMC 907 Light Parrot Green		
7	DMC 797 Royal Blue	14	DMC 959 Medium Seagreen		

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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.



1 in
25.4 mm

Not 1 inch (25.4 mm)? Print again at 100%.

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