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Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.4 × 4 in (11.2 × 10.2 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: sage green 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
   Daisies, scarf, eyes, mouth, tongue, nose, butterfly body, words
2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Hind legs, paws, front legs, body, belly, tail, tail underside, scarf, head, ears, inner ears, muzzle and cheeks, brow spots, butterfly
3. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Grass, smile
4. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Toes, tongue
5. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Ear tufts, nose light
6. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Butterfly body
7. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Daisy hearts, scarf dots

In a 6 inch hoop the French knots are drawn smaller than about 2 mm (a little over 1/16 in). Use one strand of floss for them there, or choose a larger hoop.

Floss

- **1 DMC 3346 Hunter Green** Grass (darker)
- **2 DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green** Grass (lighter)
- **3 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Muzzle and cheeks and paws (light), daisies, brow spots (darker) and 2 more parts
- **4 DMC 3776 Light Mahogany**
  Head and tail (middle), hind legs and body (middle light) and 3 more parts
- **5 DMC 400 Dark Mahogany**
  Hind legs and body (dark), front legs, head, tail and ears (darkest)
- **6 DMC 300 Very Dark Mahogany** Hind legs and body (darkest)
- **7 DMC 301 Medium Mahogany**
  Front legs, head, ears and tail (dark), body and hind legs (middle dark)
- **8 DMC 842 Very Light Beige Brown**
  Paws and belly (dark), muzzle and cheeks and tail underside (darkest)
- **9 DMC 841 Light Beige Brown** Paws (darkest), toes
- **10 DMC 739 Ultra Very Light Tan**
  Muzzle and cheeks and tail underside (dark), belly and paws (middle)
- **11 DMC 402 Very Light Mahogany**
  Body, head, tail and hind legs (light), front legs and ears (lightest)
- **12 DMC 3856 Ultra Very Light Mahogany**
  Body, head, hind legs and tail (lightest)
- **13 DMC 712 Cream**
  Muzzle and cheeks, tail underside and paws (lightest), belly (light) and 3 more parts
- **14 DMC 3848 Medium Teal Green** Scarf (middle)
- **15 DMC 3847 Dark Teal Green** Words, scarf (dark)
- **16 DMC 3849 Light Teal Green** Scarf (light)
- **17 DMC 758 Very Light Terra Cotta** Inner ears (darker)
- **18 DMC 3779 Very Light Rosewood** Inner ears (lighter)
- **19 DMC 3371 Black Brown** Nose, eyes, smile and butterfly body
- **20 DMC 814 Dark Garnet** Mouth
- **21 DMC 352 Light Coral** Butterfly and tongue (light)
- **22 DMC 350 Medium Coral** Butterfly and tongue (dark)
- **23 DMC 351 Coral** Butterfly and tongue (middle)

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.

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. 2 or 3 strands: grass; 2 strands: smile.
Split stitch. 2 strands: toes; 1 strand: tongue.

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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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