Mermaid skeleton with a pearl

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 3.5 × 4.9 in (8.9 × 12.4 cm).



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Fly stitch**, 1 strand
  Tail fin
- **Stem stitch**, 1 to 3 strands
  Fin rays, fin edge, hip fin rays, hip fin edge, tail outline, tail spines, ribs, cheekbone, pearl string, inner frame
- **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Tail root bones, breastbone, spine, kelp, kelp leaves, eye socket, nose, hair, arms, far hand, near hand, shoulder, frame
- **Split stitch**, 1 strand
  Tail root bones edge, spine edge, skull edge, arms edge, far hand edge, pearl shading, pearl edge, near hand edge, shoulder edge
- **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
  Jaw, skull, hair
- **Straight stitch**, 1 strand
  Teeth, pearl light
- **French knot**, 1 strand, two wraps
  Seed pearls

Floss

- **DMC 3809 Very Dark Turquoise**
  Fin rays, hip fin edge and hip fin rays, tail fin (darker), frame leaves (lighter)
- **DMC 3811 Very Light Turquoise** Tail fin (lighter)
- **DMC 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise**
  Fin edge and tail outline, frame leaves (darker)
- **DMC 712 Cream**
  Tail spines, spine, ribs and arms (lighter), near hand, skull (middle) and 4 more parts
- **DMC 154 Very Dark Grape**
  Frame, spine edge, arms edge and near hand edge, ribs (darker) and 7 more parts
- **DMC 3835 Medium Grape**
  Tail spines and cheekbone (darker), pearl edge and teeth
- **DMC 738 Very Light Tan**
  Arms, spine and jaw (darker), skull (dark), far hand
- **DMC 3051 Dark Green Gray** Kelp, kelp leaves (darker)
- **DMC 3052 Medium Green Gray** Kelp leaves (lighter)
- **DMC 3823 Ultra Pale Yellow**
  Skull (light), pearl light, pearl shading and cheekbone (lighter)
- **DMC 918 Dark Red Copper** Hair (dark)
- **DMC 920 Medium Copper** Hair (middle)
- **DMC 922 Light Copper** Hair (light)
- **DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Pearl and seed pearls, frame pearls (lighter)
- **DMC 3045 Dark Yellow Beige**
  Inner frame, pearl light (darker)
- **DMC 415 Pearl Gray**
  Frame pearls and pearl shading (darker)

Stitches, continued

- **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Pearl, frame pearls
- **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
  Frame leaves

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 2 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 2 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on**
   Go over the lines of page 3, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron.

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6 inch hoop

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1 in
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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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