Mexican flag with bright dahlias

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.8 × 4.8 in (12.2 × 12.2 cm).



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Long and short stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Green band, white band, red band, eagle tail, and 10 more
- **Split stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Flag hem, water line, prickly pear edge, wing edge, and 7 more
- **Satin stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Water, cactus fruit, prickly pear, eagle beak, and 13 more
- **Fly stitch**, 1 strand
  Breast feathers
- **French knot**, 1 to 2 strands, two wraps
  Eagle eye, serpent eye, marigold hearts, and 2 more
- **Straight stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Eagle brow, eagle claws, eye lights
- **Stem stitch**, 1 to 4 strands
  Wreath stem, stalks, vine, wing lines, bills
- **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
  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.

Pages 2 and 3 are the pattern at actual size. Print them at 100% with scaling turned off.

Floss

- **DMC 911 Medium Emerald Green**
  Green band (light) and 5 more parts
- **DMC 890 Ultra Dark Pistachio Green**
  Green band and flag hem (dark) and 4 more parts
- **DMC 909 Very Dark Emerald Green**
  Leaves (dark) and 6 more parts
- **DMC BLANC White** White band (light) and 5 more parts
- **DMC 415 Pearl Gray** White band (dark), flag hem (light)
- **DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray** White band (middle)
- **DMC 666 Bright Red** Red band (light) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 498 Dark Red**
  Dahlia petals (shade 2 of 8) and 6 more parts
- **DMC 321 Red** Red band (middle) and 3 more parts
- **DMC 3843 Electric Blue**
  Near wings (middle) and 7 more parts
- **DMC 434 Light Brown**
  Eagle wings, eagle body and eagle tail (middle)
- **DMC 898 Very Dark Coffee Brown**
  Eagle wings (dark) and 11 more parts
- **DMC 436 Tan** Eagle body (light) and 3 more parts
- **DMC 742 Light Tangerine**
  Dahlia petals (shade 7 of 8) and 9 more parts
- **DMC 907 Light Parrot Green**
  Leaves and flower cups (light), serpent
- **DMC 741 Medium Tangerine**
  Dahlia petals (shade 6 of 8) and 3 more parts
- **DMC 743 Medium Yellow** Dahlia buds (shade 9 of 9)
- **DMC 946 Medium Burnt Orange**
  Dahlia petals (shade 4 of 8) and 3 more parts
- **DMC 3804 Dark Cyclamen Pink**
  Dahlia petals (shade 3 of 8) and 3 more parts
- **DMC 915 Dark Plum**
  Dahlia petals (shade 1 of 8) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 3806 Light Cyclamen Pink**
  Dahlia petals (shade 5 of 8) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 605 Very Light Cranberry**
  Dahlia petals (shade 8 of 8) and 1 more part
- **DMC 3846 Light Bright Turquoise**
  Bird bodies (light) and 4 more parts
- **DMC 797 Royal Blue** Far wings (darker) and 5 more parts

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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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