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



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Stems, dahlia outline, bud cup, leaf outline, flower base, swallow outline, bill, eye ring, eye, marigold base, heart outline, and 6 more
- **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
  Dahlia petals, leaves, long wing feathers, wing coverts, shoulder, tail, breast, back, throat, marigold petals, heart, red blooms, and 3 more
- **Back stitch**, 1 to 3 strands
  Dahlia lines, leaf veins, swallow lines, marigold lines, flower outline, fruit outline, mound lines, star outline
- **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
  Dahlia heart, marigold hearts, heart knots, bloom hearts, star knots
- **Straight stitch**, 1 to 3 strands
  Eye light, fruit light, spines, grass

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.

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 310 Black**
  Dahlia outline, swallow outline, leaf outline and marigold lines and 14 more parts
- **DMC 321 Red**
  Dahlia petals (shade 2 of 7), heart (middle), red blooms (dark) and 5 more parts
- **DMC 815 Medium Garnet**
  Dahlia petals (shade 1 of 7), heart (dark), dahlia heart, throat (darker)
- **DMC 666 Bright Red**
  Dahlia petals (shade 3 of 7), red blooms (middle), cactus flowers (dark), heart (light)
- **DMC 987 Dark Forest Green**
  Cactus pads and leaves (middle), grass, flower cups and bud cup
- **DMC 890 Ultra Dark Pistachio Green**
  Cactus pads and leaves (dark)
- **DMC 989 Forest Green** Cactus pads and leaves (light)
- **DMC 351 Coral**
  Red blooms (light), dahlia petals (shade 4 of 7) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 782 Dark Topaz** Flower base
- **DMC 742 Light Tangerine**
  Marigold petals (light), dahlia petals (shade 6 of 7), heart knots and 2 more parts
- **DMC 741 Medium Tangerine**
  Cactus flowers (light), dahlia petals (shade 5 of 7), center star and 1 more part
- **DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow**
  Spines, mound (lighter), dahlia petals (shade 7 of 7)
- **DMC 3842 Very Dark Wedgwood**
  Long wing feathers and tail (middle), wing coverts (darker), back (lighter)
- **DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue**
  Long wing feathers and tail (dark), back (darker), shoulder
- **DMC 3844 Dark Bright Turquoise**
  Long wing feathers and tail (light), wing coverts (lighter), eye ring
- **DMC 3865 Winter White** Breast (lighter), eye light
- **DMC 3046 Medium Yellow Beige**
  Mound and breast (darker)
- **DMC 900 Dark Burnt Orange**
  Marigold petals (dark), marigold base, cactus flowers (middle dark)

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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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