Milk girl with two pails, a line sketch

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4 × 4.1 in (10.2 × 10.4 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

Stitch in this order

Filled parts from the back of the picture forward, then lines, loops and knots.

1. **Satin stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Clogs, clog soles, socks, pail hoops, milk, milk shadow, milk drip, hair, braid, ribbon tails, ribbon bow, ribbon knot, saucer milk, tongue
2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Hair
3. **Back stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Ground, grass, flower stems, stockings, clogs, socks, skirt, skirt folds, apron, apron folds, blouse, blouse folds, waistband, apron ties, and 17 more
4. **Running stitch**, 3 strands
   Hem band
5. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Cords, yoke grain, braid end
6. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Cords, hair wisps, cat stripes, cat nose
7. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Hair, braid
8. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 2 strands
   Flowers
9. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Flower centers, cord knots

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 3862 Dark Mocha Beige**
  Skirt folds, pail staves, ground, grass, apron folds and flower stems and 4 more parts
- **2 DMC 322 Dark Baby Blue**
  Ribbon bow, hem band and flowers, saucer (lighter)
- **3 DMC 976 Medium Golden Brown**
  Cat stripes and flower centers
- **4 DMC 898 Very Dark Coffee Brown**
  Yoke, pails, cat, apron and hands, hair and braid (darkest) and 16 more parts
- **5 DMC 433 Medium Brown**
  Hair (middle), braid (light), pail hoops, clogs and cords (lighter) and 2 more parts
- **6 DMC 436 Tan** Yoke grain, clog soles and parting
- **7 DMC B5200 Snow White**
  Milk and saucer milk, socks and milk drip (lighter)
- **8 DMC 3752 Very Light Antique Blue**
  Milk shadow
- **9 DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown**
  Braid, hair and braid end (dark)
- **10 DMC 434 Light Brown**
  Braid (lightest), hair and braid end (light)
- **11 DMC 435 Very Light Brown** Hair (lightest)
- **12 DMC 312 Very Dark Baby Blue**
  Ribbon tails, saucer (darker)
- **13 DMC 3755 Baby Blue** Ribbon knot
- **14 DMC 3354 Light Dusty Rose**
  Tongue and cat nose

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. Each small loop is one lazy daisy: come up at its point. A dashed line is running stitch.

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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4	DMC 898 Very Dark Coffee Brown	**9**	DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown	**14**	DMC 3354 Light Dusty Rose
5	DMC 433 Medium Brown	**10**	DMC 434 Light Brown		

How many strands

Satin stitch. 2 strands: clogs, clog soles, socks, pail hoops, milk, milk drip, hair, braid, ribbon tails, ribbon bow, ribbon knot, saucer milk, tongue; 1 strand: milk shadow.
Back stitch. 2 or 3 strands: pails; 2 strands: stockings, socks, skirt, apron, blouse, waistband, arms, sleeves, cords, neck, yoke, cat eyes, saucer; 1 or 2 strands: clogs, rolled cuffs, hands, ears, cat; 1 strand: ground, grass, flower stems, skirt folds, apron folds, blouse folds, apron ties, sleeve folds, pail staves, milk drip, hair, parting.
Straight stitch. 3 strands: cords, cat nose; 2 strands: cat stripes; 1 strand: hair wisps.
Split stitch. 1 or 2 strands: hair; 1 strand: braid.

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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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