Five mini Halloween spiders

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.7 × 4.5 in (11.9 × 11.4 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: pale blue 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
   Legs, pumpkin stalk, pumpkin lobes, eyes, cheeks, mouths, candy wrapper, candy stripes, moonlight, craters, tongue, striped stockings, and 9 more
2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Ghost sheet, moon, plump body
3. **Outline stitch**, 2 strands
   Web rounds
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Web spokes, silk threads, winking eye
5. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Edges, pumpkin ribs, smiles, ghost folds, wrapper folds, plump body edge, hat edge
6. **French knot**
   strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Web hub, eye lights, bat eyes

Floss

- **1 DMC 3041 Medium Antique Violet** Web rounds
- **2 DMC 3834 Dark Grape**
  Edges, web spokes, hat and silk threads, legs (darkest) and 6 more parts
- **3 DMC 3346 Hunter Green**
  Legs (dark), pumpkin stalk
- **4 DMC 720 Dark Orange Spice**
  Pumpkin lobes (dark)
- **5 DMC 721 Medium Orange Spice**
  Legs (lightest), striped stockings (lighter), pumpkin lobes (middle) and 3 more parts
- **6 DMC 722 Light Orange Spice**
  Pumpkin lobes (light)
- **7 DMC 918 Dark Red Copper** Pumpkin ribs
- **8 DMC 939 Very Dark Navy Blue**
  Plump body (darker), eyes, hat edge, plump body edge and toes and 4 more parts
- **9 DMC 712 Cream**
  Ghost sheet (lighter), candy stripes (light), eye whites and 3 more parts
- **10 DMC 3712 Medium Salmon** Cheeks and tongue
- **11 DMC 3042 Light Antique Violet**
  Ghost sheet (darker)
- **12 DMC 3803 Dark Mauve**
  Legs (light), candy stripes (dark)
- **13 DMC 726 Light Topaz** Moon
- **14 DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow** Moonlight
- **15 DMC 3852 Very Dark Straw**
  Stars, craters and hat buckle
- **16 DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue**
  Plump body (lighter)

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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4	DMC 720 Dark Orange Spice	**10**	DMC 3712 Medium Salmon	**16**	DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue
5	DMC 721 Medium Orange Spice	**11**	DMC 3042 Light Antique Violet		
6	DMC 722 Light Orange Spice	**12**	DMC 3803 Dark Mauve		

How many strands

Stem stitch. 3 strands: winking eye; 2 strands: web spokes, silk threads.
Split stitch. 3 strands: plump body edge; 2 or 3 strands: edges; 2 strands: pumpkin ribs, smiles; 1 or 2 strands: hat edge; 1 strand: ghost folds, wrapper folds.
French knot. 2 strands: web hub; 1 strand: eye lights, bat eyes.

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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

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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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