Mini watermelon

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4 × 4.2 in (10.2 × 10.7 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. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Leaves, pale rind, dark stripes, cut rind, flesh, scoop, stem, blossom petals
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Bud, bud sepals, spoon, stem, blossom heart
3. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Seeds
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Vine, leaf veins, scoop, spoon, flesh, tendril
5. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Leaves, bud, rind edge, spoon, stem, blossom petals
6. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand
   Seed lights
7. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Blossom heart

Floss

- **1 DMC 986 Very Dark Forest Green**
  Leaves (darkest), vine, tendril and bud sepals, stem (dark)
- **2 DMC 988 Medium Forest Green**
  Leaves and stem (light)
- **3 DMC 319 Very Dark Pistachio Green**
  Dark stripes (light), leaves (dark), stem (middle)
- **4 DMC 471 Very Light Avocado Green**
  Pale rind (dark), cut rind (middle), blossom heart (lighter), leaves (lightest)
- **5 DMC 472 Ultra Light Avocado Green**
  Pale rind (light), leaf veins
- **6 DMC 727 Very Light Topaz**
  Spoon (lightest), blossom petals (light), bud (lighter)
- **7 DMC 741 Medium Tangerine**
  Blossom petals (dark), bud and blossom heart (darker)
- **8 DMC 772 Very Light Yellow Green**
  Pale rind (lightest), cut rind (light)
- **9 DMC 470 Light Avocado Green**
  Pale rind (darkest)
- **10 DMC 890 Ultra Dark Pistachio Green**
  Cut rind (darkest), dark stripes (dark)
- **11 DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green**
  Cut rind (dark), dark stripes (middle), rind edge
- **12 DMC 746 Off White** Cut rind (lightest), seed lights
- **13 DMC 3705 Dark Melon** Flesh (light)
- **14 DMC 3713 Very Light Salmon** Flesh (lightest)
- **15 DMC 3801 Very Dark Melon** Flesh (middle)
- **16 DMC 666 Bright Red** Flesh (dark)
- **17 DMC 498 Dark Red** Flesh (darkest), scoop (lighter)
- **18 DMC 3371 Black Brown** Seeds
- **19 DMC 815 Medium Garnet** Scoop (darker)
- **20 DMC 782 Dark Topaz** Spoon (dark)
- **21 DMC 3820 Dark Straw** Spoon (light)
- **22 DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz**
  Spoon (darkest)
- **23 DMC 726 Light Topaz** Blossom petals (middle)

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

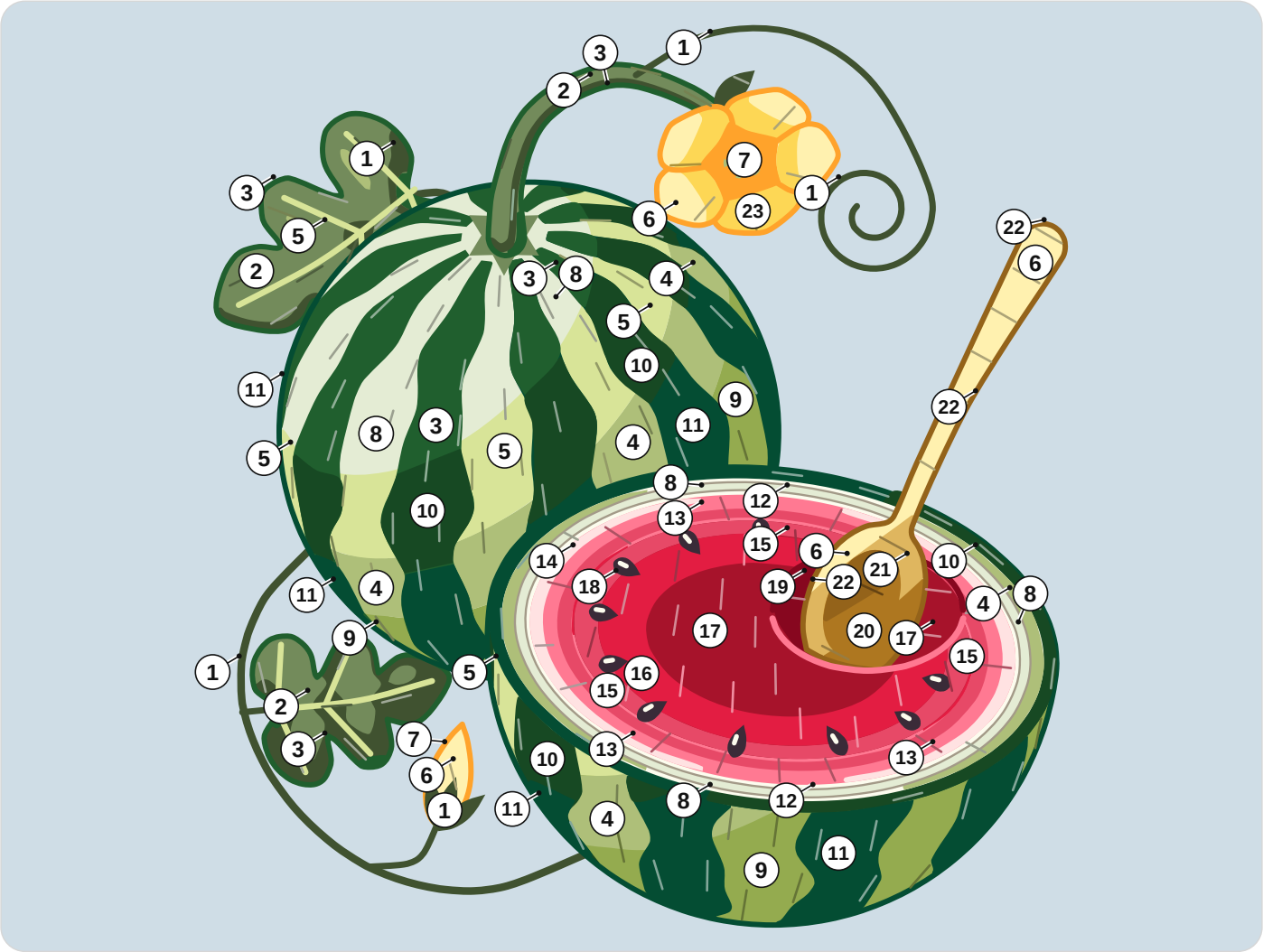
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

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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How many strands

Stem stitch. 2 or 3 strands: vine; 2 strands: flesh, tendril; 1 strand: leaf veins, scoop, spoon.
Split stitch. 2 strands: rind edge; 1 strand: leaves, bud, spoon, stem, blossom petals.

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6 inch hoop

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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