Mum

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 3.6 × 3.6 in (9.1 × 9.1 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

7 colors of floss (page 2): 2 skeins of DMC 820; one of each other color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes).

A water-soluble pen, and small scissors.

Onto the fabric

Fabric you can see through: page 3 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 4, the mirrored page, and press it ink side down as the pen's packet says. The lines stay.

Then hoop it, inner ring under, tight as a drum.

How to read it

Floss has six strands: cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number named one at a time, and lay them together.

Start a filling with tiny stitches, a line with a small knot; end under stitches on the back.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches.

New to this: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
   Stems

2. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves (colors 4 and 6)



3. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Petals, leaves (colors 2, 3 and 4), lettering (colors 1 and 3)



4. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Corner scrolls, corner buds, bud cups, small flowers, lettering (color 1)



5. **Stem stitch**
   3 strands: border, edges of the corner scrolls
   2 strands: leaf edges (color 1)
   1 strand: lines of the leaves, lines of the letter vines

6. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Petal edges, leaf edges (colors 1 and 3), letter edges

7. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 1 strand
   Loops of the letter vines



8. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Knots of the corner scrolls, corner knots, bud tips, small flower centers, flower centers



Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop or sew a pillow.

In a 6 inch hoop the shortest lazy daisy loops 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.

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A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



1 DMC 820 Very Dark Royal Blue
2 DMC 799 Medium Delft Blue
3 DMC 797 Royal Blue
4 DMC 800 Pale Delft Blue
5 DMC 3821 Straw
6 DMC 798 Dark Delft Blue
7 DMC 3841 Pale Baby Blue

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Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot; a loop is one lazy daisy, begun at its point; a broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



1 in
25.4 mm

Not 1 inch (25.4 mm)? Print again at 100%.

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