My first birthday

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.9 × 4.7 in (12.4 × 11.9 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: pale blue cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of pale blue cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

15 colors of floss (page 2): one skein of each 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. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15
   Grass blades, daisy leaves, daisy petals, daisy cups, daisy centers, ladybug head, ladybug wings, words



2. **Stem stitch**
   2 strands, colors 2, 4, 5
   Daisy stems, edges of the daisy leaves

3. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand, color 13
   Ladybug legs



4. **Back stitch**, 1 strand, color 13
   Lines of the ladybug spots

5. **Split stitch**, 1 strand, color 5
   Edges of the words

6. **French knot**
   1 strand, two wraps, colors 10, 11, 12, 13
   Knots of the daisy centers, knots of the ladybug spots



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

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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 501 Dark Blue Green	**6**	DMC 503 Medium Blue Green	**11**	DMC 726 Light Topaz
2	DMC 3346 Hunter Green	**7**	DMC BLANC White	**12**	DMC 781 Very Dark Topaz
3	DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green	**8**	DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray	**13**	DMC 310 Black
4	DMC 3345 Dark Hunter Green	**9**	DMC 318 Light Steel Gray	**14**	DMC 321 Red
5	DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green	**10**	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	**15**	DMC 815 Medium Garnet

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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.



1 in
25.4 mm

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

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