My first Easter

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 3.7 × 4.6 in (9.4 × 11.7 cm)



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

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

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

An embroidery needle, size 9.

16 colors of floss (page 2): 2 skeins of DMC BLANC; 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**, 2 strands
   Stems

2. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves (colors 3 and 4)



3. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand
   Ears, body, head, cheek, eggshell, paws



4. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Daisy buds, leaves (color 4), daisies, lettering, inner ear, sleeping eye, nose, ribbon, bow, inside of bow, bow knot



5. **Buttonhole stitch**, 2 strands
   Scalloped edge



6. **Stem stitch**
   2 strands: inner line, broken edge
   1 strand: gold line, mouth

7. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Fur lines, shell outline, bow edge

8. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Ribbon edge

9. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand
   Lashes, toes



10. **French knot**, two wraps
    2 strands: pearl knots, tail
    1 strand: daisy centers



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 BLANC White	**7**	DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray	**13**	DMC 3823 Ultra Pale Yellow
2	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	**8**	DMC 224 Very Light Shell Pink	**14**	DMC 676 Light Old Gold
3	DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green	**9**	DMC 225 Ultra Very Light Shell Pink	**15**	DMC 677 Very Light Old Gold
4	DMC 3013 Light Khaki Green	**10**	DMC 3031 Very Dark Mocha Brown	**16**	DMC 3829 Very Dark Old Gold
5	DMC 415 Pearl Gray	**11**	DMC 223 Light Shell Pink		
6	DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray	**12**	DMC 3722 Medium Shell Pink		

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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 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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For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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