My love in roses

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.4 × 4.7 in (11.2 × 11.9 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**
   1 strand: lavender stems
   2 strands: lines of the words

2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Arbor rungs, arbor rails, arbor feet, gate rails, gate pickets, gate latch, path stones, lavender leaves, pink roses, rose cups, blush roses, red roses, words



3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Rose leaves



4. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Blush roses (color 23), pink roses (color 14)



5. **Stem stitch**
   1 strand: arbor lines, edges of the path stones
   3 strands: stems

6. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Grass



7. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Petal lips, petal edges

8. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Lavender



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

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.

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.

Buy: 23 colors of floss (page 2), one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), an embroidery needle size 9, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen, a water-soluble pen.

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6 inch hoop

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



1	DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue	9	DMC 934 Black Avocado Green	17	DMC 761 Light Salmon
2	DMC 932 Light Antique Blue	10	DMC 3364 Pine Green	18	DMC 760 Salmon
3	DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue	11	DMC 340 Medium Blue Violet	19	DMC 225 Ultra Very Light Shell Pink
4	DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue	12	DMC 3746 Dark Blue Violet	20	DMC 815 Medium Garnet
5	DMC 3790 Ultra Dark Beige Gray	13	DMC 3687 Mauve	21	DMC 814 Dark Garnet
6	DMC 3782 Light Mocha Brown	14	DMC 3685 Very Dark Mauve	22	DMC 3831 Dark Raspberry
7	DMC 3032 Medium Mocha Brown	15	DMC 3688 Medium Mauve	23	DMC 3712 Medium Salmon
8	DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green	16	DMC 3689 Light Mauve		

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6 inch hoop

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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6 inch hoop

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



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