I’m the new leaf on the family tree

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.1 × 4.2 in (10.4 × 10.7 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

Stitch in this order

Filled parts from the back of the picture forward, then lines, loops and knots.

1. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaf buds, new leaf
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Cut end, ladybird head, ladybird, saying, apostrophe, saying, second line, hearts
3. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Bough, berry stalks, older leaves, edges, older leaves, middle veins, cut end, rings, new leaf, edge, new leaf, side veins, and 4 more
4. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Older leaves, side veins
5. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Older leaves, edges
6. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 2 strands
   Older leaves, loops
7. **French knot**
   strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Berries, ladybird cheeks, ladybird spots, saying, second line

Floss

- **1 DMC 3863 Medium Mocha Beige**
  Bough and berry stalks (lighter), cut end
- **2 DMC 350 Medium Coral**
  Ladybird, berries and hearts
- **3 DMC 470 Light Avocado Green**
  New leaf (middle), leaf buds (darker), new leaf, side veins (lighter)
- **4 DMC 472 Ultra Light Avocado Green**
  New leaf (light), leaf buds (lighter), ladybird feelers and ladybird cheeks
- **5 DMC 839 Dark Beige Brown**
  Bough (darker), saying, second line, cut end, rings and ladybird, edge and 4 more parts
- **6 DMC 469 Avocado Green**
  New leaf (dark), older leaves, edges (lighter), new leaf, edge and 5 more parts
- **7 DMC 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise**
  Saying, older leaves, edges and older leaves, side veins (darker) and 3 more parts

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. Each small loop is one lazy daisy: come up at its point.

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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2	DMC 350 Medium Coral	5	DMC 839 Dark Beige Brown		
3	DMC 470 Light Avocado Green	6	DMC 469 Avocado Green		

How many strands

Stem stitch. 4 strands: bough; 3 strands: older leaves, edges; 2 strands: berry stalks, older leaves, middle veins, cut end, rings, new leaf, edge, new leaf, middle vein; 1 strand: new leaf, side veins, ladybird feelers, ladybird, wing line, ladybird, edge.
French knot. 2 strands: berries; 1 strand: ladybird cheeks, ladybird spots, saying, second line.

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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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