Nutcracker with poinsettias

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.3 × 4.5 in (10.9 × 11.4 cm).



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Stem stitch**, 1 to 3 strands
  Cedar stems, eyelids, chickadee feet, leaves, bud stalk
- **Fern stitch**, 2 strands
  Cedar
- **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
  Lever, coat, collar, hair, face, cheeks, nose, beard, and 13 more
- **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Lever bands, buttons, eye whites, irises, pupils, and 6 more
- **Couching**, 4 to 6 strands
  Gold cord
- **Split stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Lever edge, eyelids, feather edges, petal veins
- **Straight stitch**, 1 to 4 strands
  Epaulette fringe, tooth gaps, tassels
- **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Epaulette
- **French knot**, 1 to 2 strands, two wraps
  Eye lights, cockade, tassels, chickadee eye, flower hearts
- **Turkey work**, 2 strands
  Pompon

In a 6 inch hoop the French knots 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.

Floss

- **DMC 935 Dark Avocado Green** Leaves (dark), cedar stems
- **DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green** Leaves (middle) and 3 more parts
- **DMC 3364 Pine Green** Cedar (lighter), leaves (light)
- **DMC 435 Very Light Brown**
  Lever, face and nose (dark), cheeks (middle)
- **DMC 433 Medium Brown** Face (darkest) and 10 more parts
- **DMC 437 Light Tan** Face, lever and nose (light) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 739 Ultra Very Light Tan** Face, nose and lever (lightest)
- **DMC 3721 Dark Shell Pink** Poinsettia petals (light) and 4 more parts
- **DMC 729 Medium Old Gold** Gold cord (middle) and 6 more parts
- **DMC 3810 Dark Turquoise** Coat and collar (middle), shako (dark)
- **DMC 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise**
  Coat (dark), shako (darkest) and 3 more parts
- **DMC 926 Medium Gray Green** Shako, coat, collar and visor (light)
- **DMC 676 Light Old Gold** Gold bands (light) and 4 more parts
- **DMC 3033 Very Light Mocha Brown** Hair, beard and moustache (light)
- **DMC 841 Light Beige Brown**
  Moustache and hair (darkest) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 842 Very Light Beige Brown**
  Beard and hair (dark) and 5 more parts
- **DMC 3865 Winter White** Beard (lightest) and 8 more parts
- **DMC 3722 Medium Shell Pink** Cheeks (dark), poinsettia petals (lightest)
- **DMC 758 Very Light Terra Cotta** Cheeks (light)
- **DMC 3371 Black Brown** Mouth, visor (dark) and 9 more parts
- **DMC 927 Light Gray Green** Shako (lightest)
- **DMC 221 Very Dark Shell Pink**
  Poinsettia petals (dark) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 902 Very Dark Garnet** Poinsettia petals (darkest) and 3 more parts
- **DMC 840 Medium Beige Brown**
  Chickadee tail (lighter) and 2 more parts

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 2 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 2 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on**
   Go over the lines of page 3, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron.

Pages 2 and 3 are the pattern at actual size. Print them at 100% with scaling turned off.

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6 inch hoop

Print at 100% (actual size). Do not scale or fit to page. Check the square below with a ruler before you trace.



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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