Owl always love mom, owl with a heart

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.6 × 4.9 in (11.7 × 12.4 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: navy cotton or linen.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Moon, body, belly, heart, wings, head, cap, face
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Belly feathers, wing tips, wing scallops, crown feathers, eyelids, cheeks, stars, words
3. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Toes, bill
4. **Outline stitch**, 1 strand
   Moon edge, outlines
5. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Outlines, heart edge, words
6. **Running stitch**, 2 strands
   Heart stitching
7. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Tuft lines, ring
8. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Lashes
9. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Hanging thread
10. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
    Far stars, ring

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

- **1 DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow**
  Moon (light), moon edge, stars, hanging thread and far stars
- **2 DMC 3820 Dark Straw** Moon (dark)
- **3 DMC 3822 Light Straw** Moon (middle)
- **4 DMC 434 Light Brown**
  Body (middle), head (darkest), cap and wing scallops (dark), wings (lighter)
- **5 DMC 433 Medium Brown**
  Wings (darker), body (dark), wing scallops and cap (darkest)
- **6 DMC 435 Very Light Brown**
  Body and cap (light), wing scallops (middle), head and wing tips (dark)
- **7 DMC 898 Very Dark Coffee Brown**
  Outlines, tuft lines, eyelids and lashes
- **8 DMC 739 Ultra Very Light Tan**
  Belly (lighter), face (darker), belly feathers (middle)
- **9 DMC 945 Tawny** Belly feathers (dark), belly (darker)
- **10 DMC 712 Cream**
  Face (lighter), belly feathers (light), heart stitching
- **11 DMC 3705 Dark Melon** Heart (lightest)
- **12 DMC 498 Dark Red** Heart edge, heart (darkest)
- **13 DMC 321 Red** Heart (dark)
- **14 DMC 3801 Very Dark Melon** Heart (light)
- **15 DMC 3854 Medium Autumn Gold**
  Words and ring, toes and bill (darker)
- **16 DMC 3855 Light Autumn Gold** Toes and bill (lighter)
- **17 DMC 738 Very Light Tan**
  Wing tips (light), head and wing scallops (lightest), crown feathers
- **18 DMC 437 Light Tan**
  Wing scallops and head (light), wing tips (middle), cap (lightest)
- **19 DMC 352 Light Coral** Cheeks

Three ways onto dark fabric

1. **Light shines through it**
   Lay page 3 on a bright light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a white marking pencil or pen.
2. **No light shines through**
   Print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, smooth it onto fabric that can be washed, stitch through both and rinse it away.
3. **White or yellow carbon paper**
   Lay it colored side down on the fabric with page 3 on top, tape the layers and trace firmly with a ballpoint pen. Go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Page 3 is the pattern at actual size (page 4 is its mirror, for an iron-on pen on a light fabric). Print it 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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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. A dashed line is running stitch. A fine broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.

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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How many strands

Split stitch. 2 strands: outlines, heart edge; 1 strand: words.
Stem stitch. 3 strands: ring; 1 strand: tuft lines.

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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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