Per aspera ad astra, sun, moon and stars

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



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Couching**, 3 to 4 strands
  Ring, fine sun rays, sun edge
- **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Sun rays, little stars, great star, stars, gold fruit, words
- **French knot**, 1 to 2 strands, two wraps
  Ray knots, star dust
- **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
  Sun, sun heart, moon
- **Stem stitch**, 1 to 3 strands
  Moon edge, night stem, bud stalks, day stem, fruit stalks
- **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
  Night leaves, violet buds, day leaves
- **Split stitch**, 1 strand
  Words

Floss

- **DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Ring and fine sun rays (lighter), sun heart (dark), gold fruit (middle), sun (lightest)
- **DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz**
  Ring and fine sun rays (darker), sun edge (dark), sun (darkest)
- **DMC 3822 Light Straw**
  Sun heart (light), sun edge (middle), stars and sun rays (lighter) and 4 more parts
- **DMC 783 Medium Topaz**
  Sun (light), stars, sun rays and little stars (darker), sun heart (darkest)
- **DMC 782 Dark Topaz**
  Sun and gold fruit (dark), great star (darker)
- **DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow**
  Sun edge (light), sun heart (lightest)
- **DMC 318 Light Steel Gray** Moon (dark)
- **DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray** Moon (darkest)
- **DMC 415 Pearl Gray** Moon (light)
- **DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray**
  Words (lighter), moon edge and star dust, moon (lightest)
- **DMC 3815 Dark Celadon Green**
  Night leaves (dark), night stem and bud stalks
- **DMC 3816 Celadon Green** Night leaves (middle)
- **DMC 3817 Light Celadon Green** Night leaves (light)
- **DMC 3835 Medium Grape** Violet buds (darker)
- **DMC 3836 Light Grape** Violet buds (lighter)
- **DMC 3053 Green Gray**
  Day leaves (middle), day stem and fruit stalks
- **DMC 3052 Medium Green Gray** Day leaves (dark)
- **DMC 3348 Light Yellow Green** Day leaves (light)
- **DMC 677 Very Light Old Gold** Words (darker)

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

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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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