Pittsburgh skyline and gold bridge

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 5 × 3.7 in (12.7 × 9.4 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. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Slab tower, stepped tower, lit windows, low towers, glass spires, masted tower, far bank, reflections, bridge towers, bridge deck, and 7 more
2. **Trellis stitch**, 1 strand
   Glass castle
3. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Moon
4. **Back stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Slab tower, stepped tower, low towers, glass castle, masted tower
5. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Lit windows, hangers, tugboat
6. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Mast, far bank, far chain, far railing, near bank edge, border
7. **Running stitch**, 1 strand
   Center line
8. **Couching**, strands by part on page 2
   Railing, chains, border
9. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Bank lamps, tug lamp

Floss

- **1 DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue**
  Slab tower, stepped tower and masted tower (dark), low towers (darker) and 3 more parts
- **2 DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray**
  Border, stepped tower and slab tower (light), glass castle (lighter) and 7 more parts
- **3 DMC 932 Light Antique Blue**
  Glass castle (darker), slab tower (middle), low towers (lighter) and 4 more parts
- **4 DMC 3822 Light Straw**
  Bridge towers and chains (lighter), hangers, reflections (middle) and 5 more parts
- **5 DMC 746 Off White**
  Moon, reflections (light)
- **6 DMC 783 Medium Topaz**
  Border (middle), bridge towers (darker), bridge girder, reflections (dark)
- **7 DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz**
  Bridge deck, far chain and far railing, chains and railing (darker)
- **8 DMC 351 Coral**
  Tug lamp light and tug lamp

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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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. A dashed line is running stitch.

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

Back stitch. 2 strands: low towers, glass castle; 1 or 2 strands: slab tower, stepped tower, masted tower.
Straight stitch. 2 strands: lit windows, tugboat; 1 or 2 strands: hangers.
Stem stitch. 3 strands: near bank edge; 2 strands: mast, far bank, far chain, far railing, border.
Couching. 6 strands: chains; 4 strands: railing, border.

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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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