Pull wagon full of pumpkins

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.5 × 3.5 in (11.4 × 8.9 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen.

Embroidery needles, size 9, and size 5 for 4 strands.

17 colors of floss (page 2): 2 skeins of DMC 918; one of each other color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes).

A water-soluble pen, and small scissors.

Onto the fabric

Fabric you can see through: page 3 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 4, the mirrored page, and press it ink side down as the pen's packet says. The lines stay.

Then hoop it, inner ring under, tight as a drum.

How to read it

Floss has six strands: cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number named one at a time, and lay them together.

Start a filling with tiny stitches, a line with a small knot; end under stitches on the back.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches.

New to this: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
   Tires, vine (color 1)
2. **Fly stitch**, 2 strands
   Vine (colors 1 and 5)
3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Pumpkins, cat ears, cat nose, wagon bed, brackets, handle, chassis, wagon rim, spokes, hubs
4. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves
5. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Cat
6. **Stem stitch**
   2 strands: ground, aster stems
   4 strands: grip
7. **Split stitch**
   1 strand: pumpkin grooves, cat edge
   4 strands: cat stripes (color 12)
   2 strands: cat face, wagon bed seams, wagon rim edge, hub edge
8. **Straight stitch**
   4 strands: cat stripes (color 12)
   3 strands: grass
9. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 2 strands
   Asters
10. **Bullion knot**, 3 strands
    Pumpkin stems
11. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
    Aster centers

Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop or sew a pillow.

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A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



1	DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green	7	DMC 920 Medium Copper	13	DMC 318 Light Steel Gray
2	DMC 738 Very Light Tan	8	DMC 921 Copper	14	DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray
3	DMC 3045 Dark Yellow Beige	9	DMC 741 Medium Tangerine	15	DMC 321 Red
4	DMC 712 Cream	10	DMC 402 Very Light Mahogany	16	DMC 815 Medium Garnet
5	DMC 3011 Dark Khaki Green	11	DMC 415 Pearl Gray	17	DMC 340 Medium Blue Violet
6	DMC 918 Dark Red Copper	12	DMC 413 Dark Pewter Gray		

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Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot; a loop is one lazy daisy, begun at its point; a broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



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For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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