Rat terrier on a hay bale

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.7 × 4.7 in (11.9 × 11.9 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Long and short stitch**
   strands by part on page 2
   Sky, evening clouds, sun rim, sun, far wood, stubble field, furrows, bale, bale end, tail, far front leg, body, saddle, back edge, and 9 more
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Barn roof, barn, barn gable, barn door, collar, collar tag, nose, brow spot, eyelid, eye, pupil, mouse ears, mouse eyes, mouse nose, and 3 more
3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves
4. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Barn roof edge, coat folds, toe lines, sunlit rims, mouth line
5. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Bale twine, bale coil, bale edge, mouse tail, loose straw, flower stems, outer ring
6. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand
   Nose light, eye light, mouse whiskers
7. **French knot**
   strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Eye light, goldenrod, cornflower hearts

Floss

- **1 DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow**
  Sky (lightest), stubble field and bale end (light), sun rim (darker) and 2 more parts
- **2 DMC 3041 Medium Antique Violet**
  Far wood (lighter), sky and evening clouds (darkest), mouse (middle) and 6 more parts
- **3 DMC 3042 Light Antique Violet**
  Sky, stubble field and evening clouds (dark), far front leg (middle) and 3 more parts
- **4 DMC 778 Very Light Antique Mauve**
  Sky (middle dark), evening clouds (middle), inner ear (light) and 3 more parts
- **5 DMC 3825 Pale Pumpkin**
  Sky (middle light), evening clouds (light), sun (middle)
- **6 DMC 3855 Light Autumn Gold**
  Sky and sun (light), sunlit rims (darker), evening clouds (lightest)
- **7 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Body (lightest), thigh (light), near front leg and sun rim (lighter) and 4 more parts
- **8 DMC 922 Light Copper** Barn gable, sun (dark)
- **9 DMC 3740 Dark Antique Violet**
  Far wood and back edge (darker), outer ring, mouse (dark) and 8 more parts
- **10 DMC 842 Very Light Beige Brown**
  Stubble field (middle), furrows (lighter), mouse (light)
- **11 DMC 3828 Hazelnut Brown** Bale (middle), furrows (darker), bale end (dark)
- **12 DMC 918 Dark Red Copper** Barn and eye, cheek (darker), inner ear (dark)
- **13 DMC 839 Dark Beige Brown**
  Bale (darkest), bale coil and bale twine, bale edge (darker)
- **14 DMC 420 Dark Hazelnut Brown**
  Bale (dark), bale edge (lighter), goldenrod and loose straw (darker)
- **15 DMC 676 Light Old Gold** Bale end (middle), bale (light), loose straw (lighter)
- **16 DMC 3743 Very Light Antique Violet**
  Body (light), hind foot and thigh (middle), near front leg (darker) and 3 more parts
- **17 DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray** Saddle and head (lighter), tail (dark)
- **18 DMC 310 Black**
  Saddle and head (darker), ears, eyelid, nose, pupil and mouse eyes, tail (darkest)
- **19 DMC 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise** Collar
- **20 DMC 783 Medium Topaz** Goldenrod (lighter), collar tag
- **21 DMC 435 Very Light Brown** Cheek (lighter), inner ear (middle), brow spot
- **22 DMC 161 Gray Blue** Cornflower petals and nose light
- **23 DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green**
  Goldenrod sprays, flower stems and leaves (darker)
- **24 DMC 3364 Pine Green** Flower stems and leaves (lighter)

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 3 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 3 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on: the lines stay**
   Go over the lines of page 4, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron, as the pen's packet says.

Pages 3 and 4 are the pattern at actual size. Print them 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 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

Long and short stitch. 2 strands: sky, stubble field, bale, bale end; 1 strand: evening clouds, sun rim, sun, far wood, furrows, tail, far front leg, body, saddle, back edge, hind foot, thigh, near front leg, ears, head, cheek, muzzle, inner ear, mouse.
Split stitch. 2 strands: barn roof edge; 1 strand: coat folds, toe lines, sunlit rims, mouth line.
Stem stitch. 2 strands: bale twine, bale edge, mouse tail, outer ring; 1 or 2 strands: flower stems; 1 strand: bale coil, loose straw.
French knot. 2 strands: goldenrod; 1 strand: eye light, cornflower hearts.

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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

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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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