# Alaska raven with forget-me-nots

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.8 × 4.1 in (12.2 × 10.4 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: pale blue 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
   Limb, tail, breast, thighs, long wing feathers, wing feathers, wing coverts, mantle, head, throat hackles, bill, bill bristles, snow
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Cones, legs, feet, forget-me-nots, eye rim, eye
3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Sprig leaves
4. **Stem stitch**, 2 to 3 strands
   Twigs, sprig stems
5. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Spruce needles, white stars, eye light
6. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Cone scales, feather edges, bill line
7. **French knot**
   strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Pink buds, yellow hearts, lichen

## Floss

- **1 DMC 838 Very Dark Beige Brown**
  Limb (dark), twigs, cones (darker), eye (lighter)
- **2 DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green**
  Spruce needles and wing feathers (dark)
- **3 DMC 3346 Hunter Green**
  Spruce needles (middle), sprig stems, sprig leaves (darker)
- **4 DMC 522 Fern Green**
  Spruce needles (light), lichen, sprig leaves (lighter)
- **5 DMC 840 Medium Beige Brown** Limb (middle), cones (lighter)
- **6 DMC 841 Light Beige Brown** Cone scales, limb (light)
- **7 DMC 939 Very Dark Navy Blue**
  Breast and head (dark), wing coverts (shade 2 of 7) and 7 more parts
- **8 DMC 310 Black**
  Tail, breast, head and mantle (darkest), throat hackles (dark) and 9 more parts
- **9 DMC 333 Very Dark Blue Violet**
  Mantle and tail (light), wing coverts (shade 5 of 7)
- **10 DMC 3746 Dark Blue Violet**
  Tail and mantle (lightest), wing coverts (shade 6 of 7)
- **11 DMC 161 Gray Blue**
  Feather edges, breast and head (lightest), wing coverts (shade 7 of 7) and 1 more part
- **12 DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue**
  Breast (middle dark), head and long wing feathers (middle) and 3 more parts
- **13 DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue**
  Breast (middle light), long wing feathers and head (light) and 4 more parts
- **14 DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue** Wing feathers and breast (light)
- **15 DMC 924 Very Dark Gray Green** Wing feathers (lightest)
- **16 DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray** Bill (middle)
- **17 DMC 3688 Medium Mauve** Pink buds
- **18 DMC 799 Medium Delft Blue** Forget-me-nots (middle)
- **19 DMC 809 Delft Blue** Forget-me-nots (light)
- **20 DMC BLANC White** Snow and eye light (lighter), white stars
- **21 DMC 743 Medium Yellow** Yellow hearts, eye light (darker)
- **22 DMC 798 Dark Delft Blue** Forget-me-nots (dark)
- **23 DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray** Eye rim, bill (light)
- **24 DMC 160 Medium Gray Blue** Snow (darker)

## 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

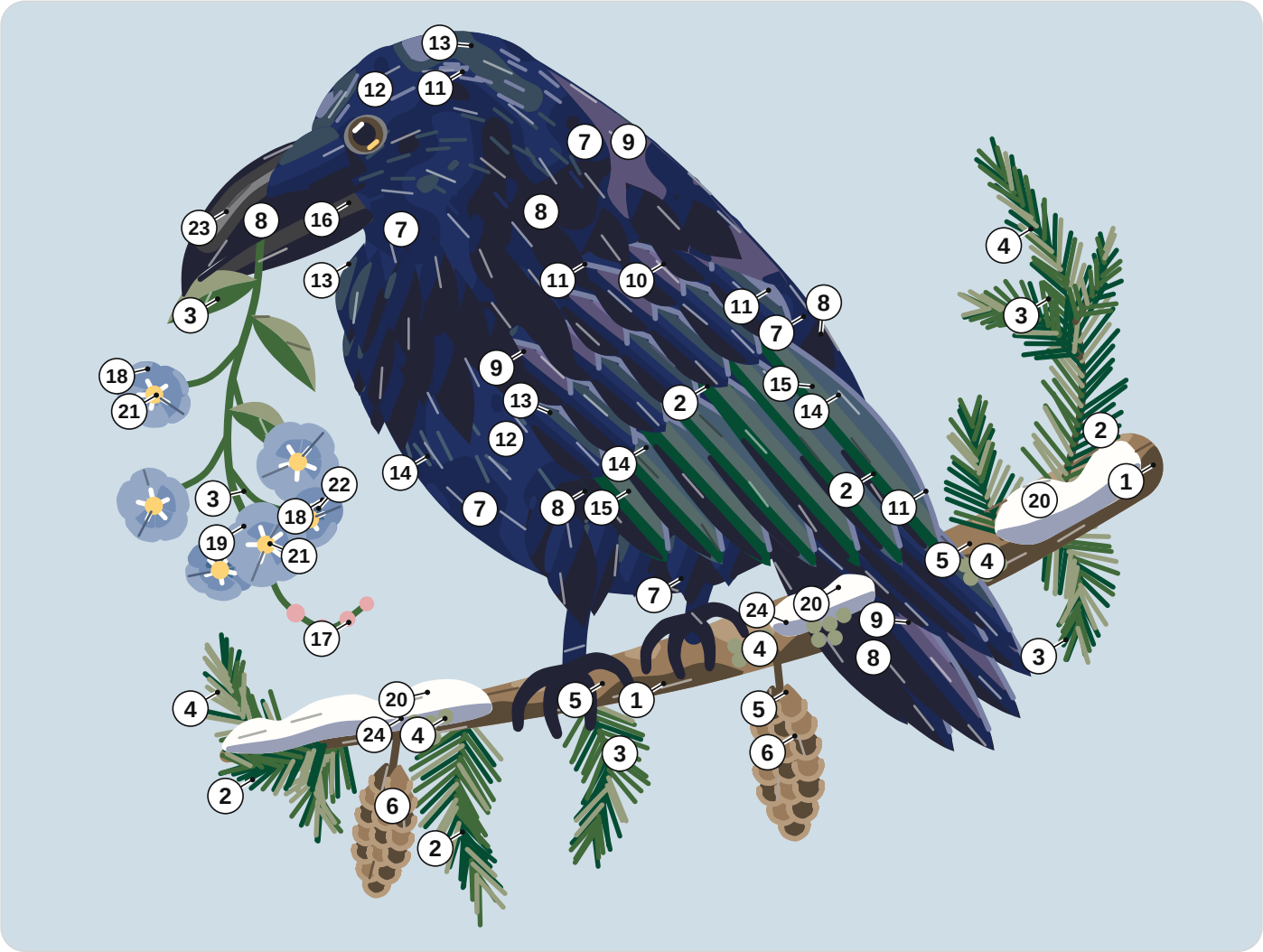
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

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

Straight stitch. 2 strands: spruce needles, white stars; 1 or 2 strands: eye light.
French knot. 3 strands: pink buds; 2 strands: yellow hearts, lichen.



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**6 inch hoop**

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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