Ringneck pheasant in the snow

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.4 × 4.6 in (11.2 × 11.7 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.

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Rose canes, winter leaves, rose hips, tail, snow, thighs, belly, rump plumes, flanks, breast, wing feathers, wing coverts, and 6 more
2. **Satin stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Snow on the cane, tail bars, legs, flank tips, eye ring, eye, bill
3. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Thorns, hip tips, hip lights, covert shafts, feather hearts, eye light, footprints
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Winter leaves, hip stalks, tail shafts, dry grass, feet, feather margins
5. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Feather shafts

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.

Floss

- **1 DMC 435 Very Light Brown**
  Tail and wing feathers (dark), rose canes, legs and feet (lighter), flanks (middle)
- **2 DMC 3790 Ultra Dark Beige Gray**
  Wing feathers (darkest), rose canes (darker), hip stalks and hip tips and 3 more parts
- **3 DMC 300 Very Dark Mahogany**
  Belly, shoulder feathers (dark), thighs (darkest) and 3 more parts
- **4 DMC 301 Medium Mahogany**
  Shoulder feathers (middle), tail (darkest), breast (dark) and 4 more parts
- **5 DMC 350 Medium Coral** Rose hips and face (light)
- **6 DMC 815 Medium Garnet** Rose hips and face (dark)
- **7 DMC 321 Red** Rose hips and face (middle)
- **8 DMC BLANC White**
  Snow (lightest), snow on the cane, hip lights and eye light, white neck ring (lighter)
- **9 DMC 437 Light Tan**
  Tail, flanks and wing feathers (light), dry grass, bill (darker)
- **10 DMC 738 Very Light Tan**
  Feather margins (middle), tail shafts, tail (lightest) and 4 more parts
- **11 DMC 3371 Black Brown** Tail bars, feather hearts and eye
- **12 DMC 932 Light Antique Blue**
  Snow (darkest), rump plumes and wing coverts (light)
- **13 DMC 3752 Very Light Antique Blue**
  Snow (dark), feather margins (light)
- **14 DMC 3753 Ultra Very Light Antique Blue**
  Snow (light), white neck ring (darker)
- **15 DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue**
  Rump plumes and wing coverts (dark), footprints and covert shafts
- **16 DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue**
  Rump plumes and wing coverts (middle)
- **17 DMC 154 Very Dark Grape** Feather margins (dark), flank tips
- **18 DMC 3776 Light Mahogany**
  Breast, shoulder feathers and thighs (light), neck (shade 6 of 7)
- **19 DMC 402 Very Light Mahogany** Breast and thighs (lightest)
- **20 DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green**
  Neck (shade 2 of 7), head (darkest)
- **21 DMC 3847 Dark Teal Green** Neck (shade 3 of 7), head (dark)
- **22 DMC 3848 Medium Teal Green**
  Head (light), neck (shade 5 of 7), ear tufts
- **23 DMC 3849 Light Teal Green**
  Neck (shade 7 of 7), head (lightest)

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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.

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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8	DMC BLANC White	16	DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue		

How many strands

Satin stitch. 2 strands: snow on the cane, legs, flank tips, eye ring, eye, bill; 1 strand: tail bars.
Straight stitch. 3 strands: footprints; 2 strands: thorns, feather hearts, eye light; 1 strand: hip tips, hip lights, covert shafts.
Stem stitch. 4 strands: feet; 2 strands: hip stalks, dry grass; 1 or 2 strands: feather margins; 1 strand: winter leaves, tail shafts.

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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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