Sassy pants

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 5 × 4.9 in (12.7 × 12.4 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: mustard yellow cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of mustard yellow cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

15 colors of floss (page 2): one skein of each 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.

The back is seen: no knots. Start with tiny stitches; end around the backs of four or five stitches.

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
   Garland stems

2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Boots, denim, back pockets, bandana



3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Garland leaves



4. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Letter shadows, letters, boot heels, boot soles, hem stripes, pocket heart, waistband, belt, belt loops, vine leaves, daisies, daisy centers, daisy rings



5. **Split stitch**
   2 strands: boot outline, boot scrolls, seat folds, back seam, yoke seam, bandana edge, bandana folds
   3 strands: denim outline
   1 strand: heart edge

6. **Running stitch**, 2 strands
   Topstitching

7. **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
   Vine

8. **French knot**, two wraps
   2 strands: bandana dots
   3 strands: knots of the daisy centers



Take out lines that still show, press face down on soft cloth.

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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 920 Medium Copper	**6**	DMC 321 Red	**11**	DMC 3849 Light Teal Green
2	DMC 712 Cream	**7**	DMC 322 Dark Baby Blue	**12**	DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue
3	DMC 898 Very Dark Coffee Brown	**8**	DMC 336 Navy Blue	**13**	DMC 471 Very Light Avocado Green
4	DMC 498 Dark Red	**9**	DMC 312 Very Dark Baby Blue	**14**	DMC 3346 Hunter Green
5	DMC 815 Medium Garnet	**10**	DMC 334 Medium Baby Blue	**15**	DMC 3822 Light Straw

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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 dashed line is running stitch; a finer one inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



1 in
25.4 mm

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