Scotties at a flowering tree

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.5 × 4.8 in (11.4 × 12.2 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.

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.

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. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Branches, two-tone leaf, heart rings, black ears (color 15), black brows, noses, wheaten ears (color 11), wheaten brows
2. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand: band leaves, black tail, black legs, black body, black head, black beard, black ears (color 14), wheaten tail, wheaten legs, wheaten body, wheaten head, wheaten beard, wheaten ears (color 10)
   2 strands: shaded leaves, trunk, daisy back petals, daisy petals, mound, mound hillocks, fallen petal
3. **Trellis stitch**, 2 strands
   Trellis leaves, trellis hearts
4. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Daisy cups, small leaves
5. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Two-tone leaf vein, leaf edges (color 3)
6. **Herringbone stitch**, 1 strand
   Band leaf veins
7. **Fly stitch**, 2 strands
   Fly leaves (color 2)
8. **Stem stitch**
   1 strand: leaf edges (colors 3, 5 and 6), fly leaves (color 2), trunk edge, daisy petal edges, fallen petal edge
   2 strands: tendrils, leaf veins, row leaves, heart edges, hillock edges
9. **Trellis stitch**, 2 strands
   Hillock trellis
10. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
    Black lines, wheaten lines
11. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand
    Wheaten fringe
12. **French knot**, two wraps
    1 strand: knots of the trellis hearts
    2 strands: heart knots, daisy centers, moss, eyes

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

In a 6 inch hoop the French knots are drawn smaller than about 2 mm (a little over 1/16 in). Use one strand of floss for them there, or choose a larger hoop.

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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	6	DMC 3777 Very Dark Terra Cotta	11	DMC 434 Light Brown
2	DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue	7	DMC 356 Medium Terra Cotta	12	DMC 738 Very Light Tan
3	DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue	8	DMC 758 Very Light Terra Cotta	13	DMC 712 Cream
4	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	9	DMC 3053 Green Gray	14	DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray
5	DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green	10	DMC 436 Tan	15	DMC 310 Black

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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 broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



1 in
25.4 mm

Not 1 inch (25.4 mm)? Print again at 100%.

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



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