Simple badger with a dandelion clock

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.1 × 4.2 in (10.4 × 10.7 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: pale blue cotton or linen.

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 414 Dark Steel Gray**
  Fur (lighter), far arm, seed stalks, haunch, face edge, tail, clock heart and cheek edge
- **2 DMC BLANC White**
  Seed fluff, face, cheek, belly, claws, breath, ear edge, tail tip and closed eye
- **3 DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray**
  Near arm, foot, stripe, ear, haunch edge and chest edge, fur (darker) and 3 more parts
- **4 DMC 3345 Dark Hunter Green**
  Stems and grass, leaves (darker)
- **5 DMC 760 Salmon**
  Blush, mouth (lighter)
- **6 DMC 743 Medium Yellow**
  Bloom, bud (lighter)
- **7 DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green**
  Leaves (lighter), ground, bud (darker)

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Foot, far arm, near arm, ear, face, cheek, stripe, blush, nose, mouth, leaves, bud
2. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Tail, fur, chest edge, haunch, haunch edge, stems, ear edge, cheek edge, face edge, ground
3. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Tail tip, claws, seed stalks, seed fluff, seeds, bloom, bud, grass
4. **Running stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Belly, breath
5. **Back stitch**, 4 strands
   Closed eye
6. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 4 strands
   Bloom
7. **French knot**, strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Mouth, clock heart, bloom

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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. Each small loop is one lazy daisy: come up at its point. A dashed line is running stitch.

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

Stem stitch. 3 to 6 strands: stems; 4 strands: tail, fur, chest edge, haunch, haunch edge, ear edge, ground; 3 strands: cheek edge, face edge.
Straight stitch. 6 strands: tail tip, seeds, bud; 4 strands: claws, grass; 3 strands: bloom; 2 or 3 strands: seed stalks, seed fluff.
Running stitch. 5 strands: belly; 4 strands: breath.
French knot. 4 strands: clock heart, bloom; 2 strands: mouth.

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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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