Sit back and relax

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



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: blush pink cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of blush pink cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

24 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. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Sun rings

2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Sun, far hills, lake, pines, dock boards, grassy banks, throw, cat



3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Sun on the water, shore, dock posts, shadows, chair legs, chair arms, chair slats, chair rails, mug, mug lip, cat tail, cat stripes, cat ears, reeds, leaves, letters



4. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Board lines

5. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Chair edges, edges of the throw

6. **Straight stitch**
   3 strands: throw fringe
   2 strands: lines of the cat stripes, edges of the cattails



7. **Stem stitch**
   2 strands: throw stripes, steam, stems, border
   3 strands: lines of the mug

8. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Cattails



9. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Lupines



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

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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 3821 Straw	9	DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green	17	DMC 498 Dark Red
2	DMC 3823 Ultra Pale Yellow	10	DMC 502 Blue Green	18	DMC 739 Ultra Very Light Tan
3	DMC 3328 Dark Salmon	11	DMC 3790 Ultra Dark Beige Gray	19	DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue
4	DMC 926 Medium Gray Green	12	DMC 642 Dark Beige Gray	20	DMC 3853 Dark Autumn Gold
5	DMC 927 Light Gray Green	13	DMC 640 Very Dark Beige Gray	21	DMC 300 Very Dark Mahogany
6	DMC 3752 Very Light Antique Blue	14	DMC 3346 Hunter Green	22	DMC 301 Medium Mahogany
7	DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue	15	DMC 815 Medium Garnet	23	DMC 333 Very Dark Blue Violet
8	DMC 932 Light Antique Blue	16	DMC 347 Very Dark Salmon	24	DMC 340 Medium Blue Violet

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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

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



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