Small carousel horse head with daisies

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 3.6 × 4.8 in (9.1 × 12.2 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: sage green cotton or linen.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Pole, pole stripes, pole ends, inner ears, eye
2. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Acanthus
3. **Chain stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Mane, carved scroll, forelock
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Carved scroll, outline, ears, mouth, nostril, eyelid, bit ring, rein
5. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Lashes, leaves, daisies
6. **Whipped back stitch**, 3 strands
   Bridle, rein
7. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 3 strands
   Leaves, daisies, tassels
8. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Eye light, daisy hearts, tassels

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.

Floss

- **1 DMC 783 Medium Topaz**
  Mane (middle), acanthus (darker), pole, rein (lighter) and 7 more parts
- **2 DMC 3855 Light Autumn Gold**
  Acanthus (lighter), mane (lightest)
- **3 DMC 3854 Medium Autumn Gold**
  Mane (light), forelock (lightest)
- **4 DMC 351 Coral**
  Mane and forelock (dark), bridle, rein and tassels (darker), inner ears
- **5 DMC 3831 Dark Raspberry**
  Mane and forelock (darkest), pole stripes
- **6 DMC 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise**
  Carved scroll and pole ends (darker), eyelid (lighter)
- **7 DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue**
  Outline, ears, nostril, lashes and mouth, eyelid (darker)
- **8 DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue**
  Eye
- **9 DMC 712 Cream**
  Daisies and eye light
- **10 DMC 895 Very Dark Hunter Green**
  Leaves (darker)
- **11 DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green**
  Leaves (lighter)

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.

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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 whipped back 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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4	DMC 351 Coral	**8**	DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue		

How many strands

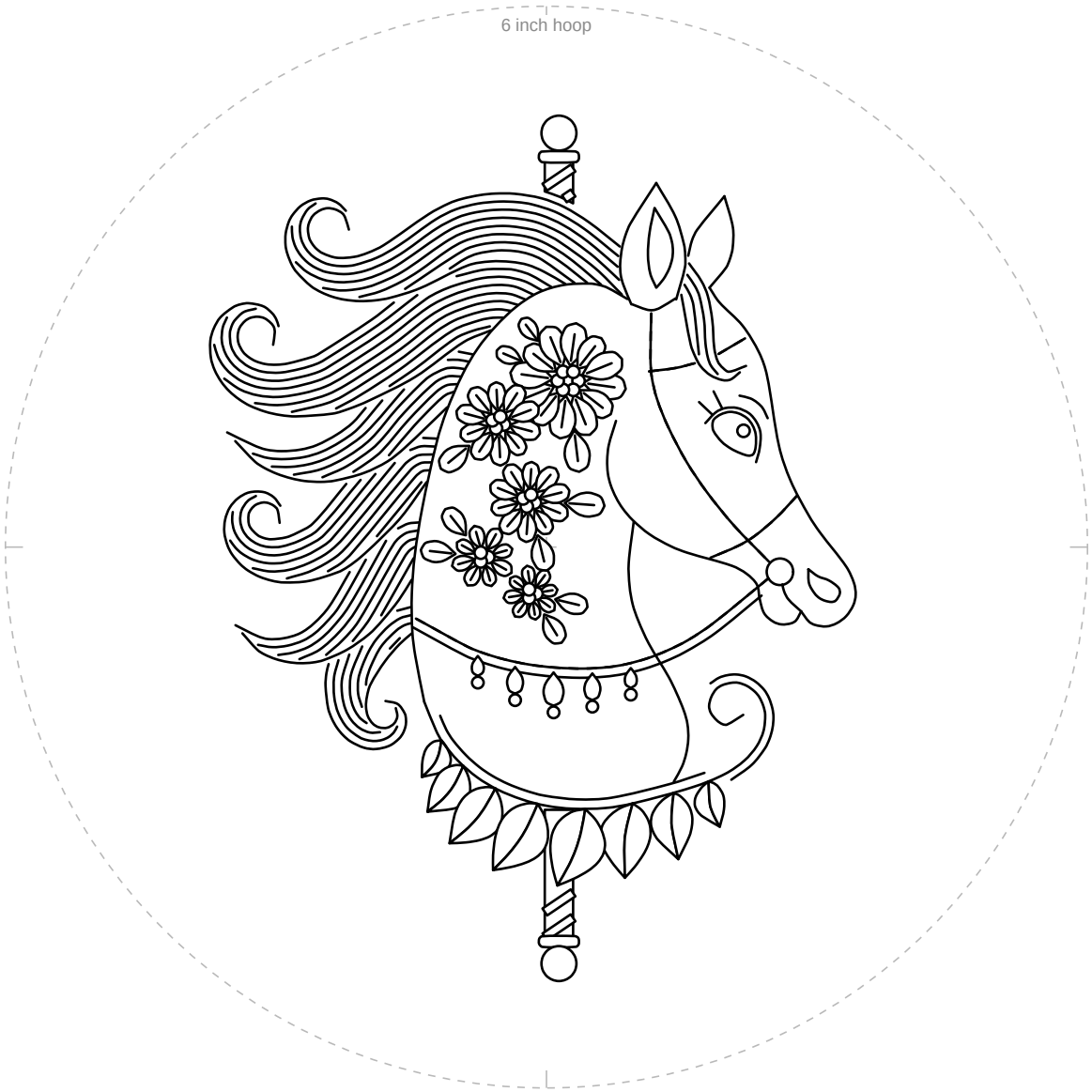
Chain stitch. 3 or 4 strands: carved scroll; 3 strands: mane, forelock.
Stem stitch. 4 strands: outline, ears; 2 or 4 strands: eyelid; 3 strands: carved scroll, bit ring; 2 strands: mouth, nostril, rein.

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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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