Soul mate in laurel

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 3.5 × 3.5 in (8.9 × 8.9 cm)



A number is a row of the list.

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.

Onto the fabric

Fabric you can see through: page 2 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 2 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 3, 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.

Buy: one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), an embroidery needle size 9, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen, a water-soluble pen.

Floss

DMC 321 Red
Letters, birds, roof, smoke heart, door and root, frame, satin diamonds and eight-point stars (lighter)

DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue
Laurel leaves, herringbone bands, laurel stems, wings, tails, house walls, legs and feet, crests, windows, chimney, bills and eyes, frame, satin diamonds and eight-point stars (darker)

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
   Laurel stems
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Eight-point stars, satin diamonds, root, tails, birds, bills, windows, roof, door, chimney, letters
3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Laurel leaves, wings
4. **Chain stitch**, 3 strands
   Frame (DMC 321)
5. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Frame (DMC 823), house walls
6. **Herringbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Herringbone bands
7. **Straight stitch**
   1 strand: crests
   2 strands: legs and feet
8. **Split stitch**, 2 strands
   Smoke heart
9. **French knot**, 1 strand, two wraps
   Eyes

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

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6 inch hoop

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.



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