# Spool of thread in a laurel wreath

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.2 × 4.6 in (10.7 × 11.7 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

## Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**
   6 strands: thread
   2 strands: berry stalks, flower stem
   3 strands: tulip stalks



2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves, berries, buds, heart leaves, heart flower, tulip, tulip cup, spool rims, spool top, spool neck, spool hole, rim diamonds



3. **Long and short stitch**
   2 strands: wound thread
   1 strand: needle



4. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Leaf veins



5. **Stem stitch**
   6 strands: heart
   2 strands: leaf stalks
   3 strands: thread turns



6. **French knot**, two wraps
   3 strands: flower centers
   1 strand: rim dots



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

## 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 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.

Buy: 12 colors of floss (page 2), one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), embroidery needles size 9, and size 3 for 4 to 6 strands, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen, a water-soluble pen.



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A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.




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| 1 | DMC 321 Red | 5 | DMC 336 Navy Blue | 9 | DMC 351 Coral |
| 2 | DMC 3345 Dark Hunter Green | 6 | DMC 783 Medium Topaz | 10 | DMC 415 Pearl Gray |
| 3 | DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green | 7 | DMC 434 Light Brown | 11 | DMC 317 Pewter Gray |
| 4 | DMC 3822 Light Straw | 8 | DMC 498 Dark Red | 12 | DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray |



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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; 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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