Summer

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.9 × 4.8 in (12.4 × 12.2 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen.

Embroidery needles, size 9, and size 5 for 4 strands.

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**
   4 strands: branches
   3 strands: strawberry stalks
   2 strands: bee legs, sprig

2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Painted leaves, strawberries, strawberry flower, bramble flowers, cherries, bee wings, bee



3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Turned edges, sepals, blackberries, flower buds, spur, ribbon tails, ribbon loops



4. **Stem stitch**
   1 strand: leaf veins (colors 5 and 7), wing edges
   3 strands: blackberry stalks, cherry stalks
   2 strands: lines of the feelers

5. **Straight stitch**
   2 strands: seeds, lines of the lights, cherry dimples
   1 strand: stamens, wing veins



6. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Leaf veins (color 1), strawberry edges, petal edges, cherry edges, bee tail edge, letter edges

7. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Raised leaves, strawberry leaves, ribbon loops, ribbon knot, bee head, letters



8. **French knot**, two wraps
   1 strand: stamen tips, flower centers, knots of the feelers, knots of the lights
   3 strands: knots of the blackberries



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 502 Blue Green	9	DMC 350 Medium Coral	17	DMC 29 Eggplant
2	DMC 504 Very Light Blue Green	10	DMC 815 Medium Garnet	18	DMC 3688 Medium Mauve
3	DMC 3862 Dark Mocha Beige	11	DMC 498 Dark Red	19	DMC 3687 Mauve
4	DMC 895 Very Dark Hunter Green	12	DMC 321 Red	20	DMC 310 Black
5	DMC 469 Avocado Green	13	DMC 3822 Light Straw	21	DMC 340 Medium Blue Violet
6	DMC 3345 Dark Hunter Green	14	DMC 3865 Winter White	22	DMC 3752 Very Light Antique Blue
7	DMC 472 Ultra Light Avocado Green	15	DMC 648 Light Beaver Gray	23	DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue
8	DMC 471 Very Light Avocado Green	16	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	24	DMC 782 Dark Topaz

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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

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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