This is my story hymn with a mockingbird

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.8 × 4.7 in (12.2 × 11.9 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 and knots.

1. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Bud, bud sheath, flower heart, legs, wing bars, gape, bill, eye line, eye ring, eye, feet, letters
3. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Petals, inner petals, tail, breast, thighs, back, wing feathers, wing coverts, shoulder
4. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Rolled lips
5. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Leaves, branch, feather edges
6. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Bud, tail, feather edges
7. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Rolled lips
8. **French knot**
   strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Flower heart, eye light

Floss

- **1 DMC 413 Dark Pewter Gray**
  Wing feathers (middle), tail (dark), leaves (shade 1 of 7) and 5 more parts
- **2 DMC 924 Very Dark Gray Green**
  Leaves (shade 2 of 7), bud sheath
- **3 DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray**
  Breast (middle), leaves (shade 7 of 7), tail (light) and 6 more parts
- **4 DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray**
  Back (dark), wing coverts and branch (light), leaves (shade 4 of 7) and 2 more parts
- **5 DMC 317 Pewter Gray**
  Back (darkest), wing coverts (dark), tail (middle dark) and 5 more parts
- **6 DMC 926 Medium Gray Green** Leaves (shade 5 of 7)
- **7 DMC 927 Light Gray Green** Leaves (shade 6 of 7)
- **8 DMC 318 Light Steel Gray**
  Petals and inner petals (darkest), back (light), branch (lightest) and 3 more parts
- **9 DMC B5200 Snow White**
  Petals and tail (lightest), letters and rolled lips, breast (light) and 5 more parts
- **10 DMC 415 Pearl Gray**
  Petals (middle dark), tail (middle light), breast and bud (dark) and 3 more parts
- **11 DMC 03 Medium Tin** Petals and inner petals (dark)
- **12 DMC 712 Cream** Petals and inner petals (light)
- **13 DMC 783 Medium Topaz** Flower heart (dark)
- **14 DMC 3822 Light Straw** Flower heart (lightest)
- **15 DMC 3820 Dark Straw** Flower heart (light)
- **16 DMC 782 Dark Topaz** Flower heart (darkest)
- **17 DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray**
  Tail (darkest), wing feathers (dark), feet and eye
- **18 DMC 152 Medium Light Shell Pink** Gape

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. A fine broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.

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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How many strands

Stem stitch. 2 strands: branch; 1 strand: leaves, feather edges.
French knot. 2 strands: flower heart; 1 strand: eye light.

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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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