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6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.7 × 4.7 in (11.9 × 11.9 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.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

20 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**, 2 strands
   Flourish

2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Measuring tape, tape end, scissor handles, scissor blades, scissor screw, pincushion leaves (color 15), reel ends, reel tops, reel holes, thimble, thimble rim, needle, buttons, words



3. **Long and short stitch**
   2 strands
   Pincushion, wound thread



4. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Pincushion leaves (colors 15 and 16)



5. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Tape ticks, pins



6. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Pincushion seams

7. **Split stitch**
   1 strand: tape edge, scissor edges, blade edges, reel edges, thread edges, thimble edge, needle edge, button edges, edges of the words
   2 strands: pincushion edge

8. **French knot**, two wraps
   2 strands: tape rivet, pin heads
   1 strand: thimble dots, button holes



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 676 Light Old Gold	8	DMC 318 Light Steel Gray	15	DMC 3011 Dark Khaki Green
2	DMC 436 Tan	9	DMC 317 Pewter Gray	16	DMC 3012 Medium Khaki Green
3	DMC 433 Medium Brown	10	DMC 3778 Light Terra Cotta	17	DMC 738 Very Light Tan
4	DMC 832 Golden Olive	11	DMC 3777 Very Dark Terra Cotta	18	DMC 3809 Very Dark Turquoise
5	DMC 829 Very Dark Golden Olive	12	DMC 3830 Terra Cotta	19	DMC 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise
6	DMC 834 Very Light Golden Olive	13	DMC 3810 Dark Turquoise	20	DMC 3802 Very Dark Antique Mauve
7	DMC 415 Pearl Gray	14	DMC 3726 Dark Antique Mauve		

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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

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For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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