Three

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



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: pale blue cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of pale blue cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

21 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. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Balloon strings
2. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Fern stems
3. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Balloons, legs, body, hill
4. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Ferns, garland leaves
5. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Balloon knots, balloon shine, toenails, back plates, dapples, eyes, party hat, hat stripes, tail bow, letters
6. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Leg lines
7. **Stem stitch**
   2 strands: smile, garland
   1 strand: eyelid
   3 strands: ring
8. **Straight stitch**
   2 strands: nostril
   1 strand: grass
9. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Hat elastic, letter edges
10. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 2 strands
    Flowers
11. **French knot**, two wraps
    1 strand: eye highlights
    2 strands: pompom, flower centers

Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop.

In a 6 inch hoop the French knots are drawn smaller than about 2 mm (a little over 1/16 in). Use one strand of floss for them there, or choose a larger hoop.

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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 3371 Black Brown	8	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	15	DMC 469 Avocado Green
2	DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue	9	DMC 347 Very Dark Salmon	16	DMC 936 Very Dark Avocado Green
3	DMC 932 Light Antique Blue	10	DMC 351 Coral	17	DMC 470 Light Avocado Green
4	DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue	11	DMC 349 Dark Coral	18	DMC 920 Medium Copper
5	DMC 712 Cream	12	DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green	19	DMC 922 Light Copper
6	DMC 782 Dark Topaz	13	DMC 501 Dark Blue Green	20	DMC 472 Ultra Light Avocado Green
7	DMC 3822 Light Straw	14	DMC 502 Blue Green	21	DMC 471 Very Light Avocado Green

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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 loop is one lazy daisy, begun at its point; 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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