Tiny koala hugging a gum leaf

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.1 × 4.8 in (10.4 × 12.2 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: mustard yellow cotton or linen.

Stitch in this order

Filled parts from the back of the picture forward, then lines and knots.

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Small leaves, cheeks, eyes, gum cap
2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Twig, big leaf, body, far arm, paws, leg, arm, ears, inner ears, head, muzzle, blossom fringe
3. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Nose
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Small leaves, big leaf vein
5. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Toes, claws, eye lights, nose light, blossom fringe
6. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Smile
7. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Pollen

Floss

- **1 DMC 501 Dark Blue Green**
  Big leaf, small leaves and gum cap (dark)
- **2 DMC 502 Blue Green**
  Big leaf and small leaves (light), gum cap (middle), big leaf vein (darker)
- **3 DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green**
  Big leaf and small leaves (darkest)
- **4 DMC 503 Medium Blue Green**
  Big leaf and small leaves (lightest), big leaf vein (lighter), gum cap (light)
- **5 DMC 433 Medium Brown** Twig (lighter)
- **6 DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown** Twig (darker)
- **7 DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray**
  Body, leg, head and paws (dark), ears and far arm (middle), arm (darkest)
- **8 DMC 413 Dark Pewter Gray**
  Body, head and leg (darkest), far arm and ears (dark), toes
- **9 DMC 318 Light Steel Gray**
  Ears, body, far arm and leg (light), paws and head (middle), arm (dark)
- **10 DMC 415 Pearl Gray**
  Head, arm and paws (light), leg and body (lightest)
- **11 DMC 310 Black** Nose, eyes, claws and smile
- **12 DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray**
  Head and arm (lightest), muzzle (darker), inner ears (light), nose light
- **13 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Inner ears (lightest), muzzle (lighter), pollen and eye lights
- **14 DMC 3688 Medium Mauve** Inner ears (darkest)
- **15 DMC 3689 Light Mauve**
  Inner ears (dark), cheeks
- **16 DMC 3328 Dark Salmon** Blossom fringe (lighter)
- **17 DMC 347 Very Dark Salmon**
  Blossom fringe (darker)

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 or 3 strands: big leaf vein; 1 strand: small leaves.
Straight stitch. 2 strands: toes, claws, blossom fringe; 1 strand: eye lights, nose 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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