Toadstool in a leaf wreath

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.

22 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**
   3 strands: twigs
   2 strands: bracken stems

2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Bracken, wart shadows, leaf shadow, baby veil, acorn cups



3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Beech leaves



4. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand
   Oak leaves, stalk, gills, skirt, cap, landed leaf



5. **Stem stitch**
   1 strand: lines of the beech leaves
   2 strands: oak leaves vein (colors 1, 2 and 9), landed leaf vein (color 2), edges of the acorn cups
   3 strands: edges of the cap rim, acorn stalks

6. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Oak leaves edge, skirt edge, landed leaf edge

7. **Straight stitch**
   1 strand: oak leaves vein (colors 1, 2 and 9), gill lines, landed leaf vein (color 2)
   2 strands: acorn tips



8. **Trellis stitch**, 1 strand
   Edges of the acorn cups



9. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Cap rim, warts, baby cap, acorn nuts



10. **French knot**
    2 strands, two wraps
    Moss



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 898 Very Dark Coffee Brown	9	DMC 934 Black Avocado Green	17	DMC 814 Dark Garnet
2	DMC 400 Dark Mahogany	10	DMC 3822 Light Straw	18	DMC 351 Coral
3	DMC 936 Very Dark Avocado Green	11	DMC 3012 Medium Khaki Green	19	DMC 498 Dark Red
4	DMC 732 Olive Green	12	DMC 976 Medium Golden Brown	20	DMC 321 Red
5	DMC 301 Medium Mahogany	13	DMC 3033 Very Light Mocha Brown	21	DMC 350 Medium Coral
6	DMC 783 Medium Topaz	14	DMC 3790 Ultra Dark Beige Gray	22	DMC 433 Medium Brown
7	DMC 782 Dark Topaz	15	DMC 3032 Medium Mocha Brown		
8	DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz	16	DMC 3865 Winter White		

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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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