Victorian beaver in an oval frame

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.9 × 4.6 in (12.4 × 11.7 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Bank, tail, far arm, body, haunch, head, ear, near arm, stump, hind foot, rose petals
2. **Trellis stitch**, 1 strand
   Tail scales
3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Ear, eye, nose, teeth, small rose
4. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Willow leaves, wreath leaves, rose leaves
5. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Far hills, firs, lake
6. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Shoreline, mouth, willow shoot, grass, inner oval, wreath stem
7. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Firs, eye light, claws, stump, stamens
8. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Tail, fur shadow, eye lids, whiskers, stump, hind foot, webbed toes, rose petals, small rose
9. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Outer oval
10. **French knot**, 1 to 2 strands, two wraps
    Rose heart

Floss

- **1 DMC 3032 Medium Mocha Brown**
  Firs, lake, shoreline and far hills
- **2 DMC 3031 Very Dark Mocha Brown**
  Bank (darkest), outer oval and inner oval, body (dark), tail (middle) and 7 more parts
- **3 DMC 3781 Dark Mocha Brown**
  Tail and hind foot (light), body and head (middle dark), bank (dark) and 5 more parts
- **4 DMC 3051 Dark Green Gray**
  Wreath leaves, rose leaves and willow leaves (darker), wreath stem, bank (light)
- **5 DMC 3052 Medium Green Gray**
  Wreath leaves, rose leaves and willow leaves (lighter), bank (lightest), grass (darker)
- **6 DMC 3371 Black Brown**
  Body, stump and hind foot (darkest), tail (dark), far arm (darker) and 11 more parts
- **7 DMC 841 Light Beige Brown**
  Head, near arm, body, haunch and stump (light), tail scales
- **8 DMC 840 Medium Beige Brown**
  Head, body, haunch, near arm and stump (middle light), hind foot and ear (lightest)
- **9 DMC 842 Very Light Beige Brown**
  Haunch, body, head, stump and near arm (lightest), whiskers, eye lids (lighter)
- **10 DMC 712 Cream** Eye light
- **11 DMC 921 Copper**
  Rose petals (middle), small rose (lighter), teeth (darker)
- **12 DMC 402 Very Light Mahogany**
  Rose petals (light), teeth (lighter)
- **13 DMC 3053 Green Gray** Grass (lighter)
- **14 DMC 919 Red Copper** Rose petals (dark), small rose (darker)
- **15 DMC 3820 Dark Straw** Stamens and rose heart

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. 4 strands: willow shoot, inner oval; 2 strands: shoreline, mouth, grass, wreath stem.
Straight stitch. 2 strands: firs, eye light, claws; 1 strand: stump, stamens.
Split stitch. 2 strands: fur shadow, webbed toes; 1 strand: tail, eye lids, whiskers, stump, hind foot, rose petals, small rose.

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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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