# Tall Victorian letters A to Z

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




Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

## 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.

## Floss

- **1 DMC 3834 Dark Grape**
  Thin strokes and balls
- **2 DMC 3835 Medium Grape**
  Thick strokes
- **3 DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green**
  Flower stems, leaves (darker)
- **4 DMC 3364 Pine Green**
  Leaves (lighter)
- **5 DMC 3325 Light Baby Blue**
  Forget-me-not petals (lighter)
- **6 DMC 334 Medium Baby Blue**
  Petal shading
- **7 DMC 3821 Straw**
  Flower hearts
- **8 DMC 3755 Baby Blue**
  Forget-me-not petals (darker)
- **9 DMC 3688 Medium Mauve**
  Buds

## Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Thick strokes, leaves, forget-me-not petals



2. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Thin strokes, flower stems



3. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand
   Petal shading



4. **French knot**
   strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Balls, flower hearts, buds



## What you need

Intermediate. A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, and a 9 inch (23 cm) square of plain cotton or linen, white or another light color. Embroidery needle: size 9 for 1 strand, size 7 for 2 (a lower number is a thicker needle). Skeins: one of each color is enough. An estimate for the 6 inch hoop, from the length of each line and the area of each filled shape, with a fifth added for tails.



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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.

Begin with no knot on the back where it is seen and washed, as on a towel, a napkin or clothes; for a piece in a hoop a small knot is fine. End each thread by whipping it around the backs of four or five stitches, with one small hitch.

Each small ring is one French knot.

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

French knot. 2 strands: flower hearts, buds; 1 strand: balls.

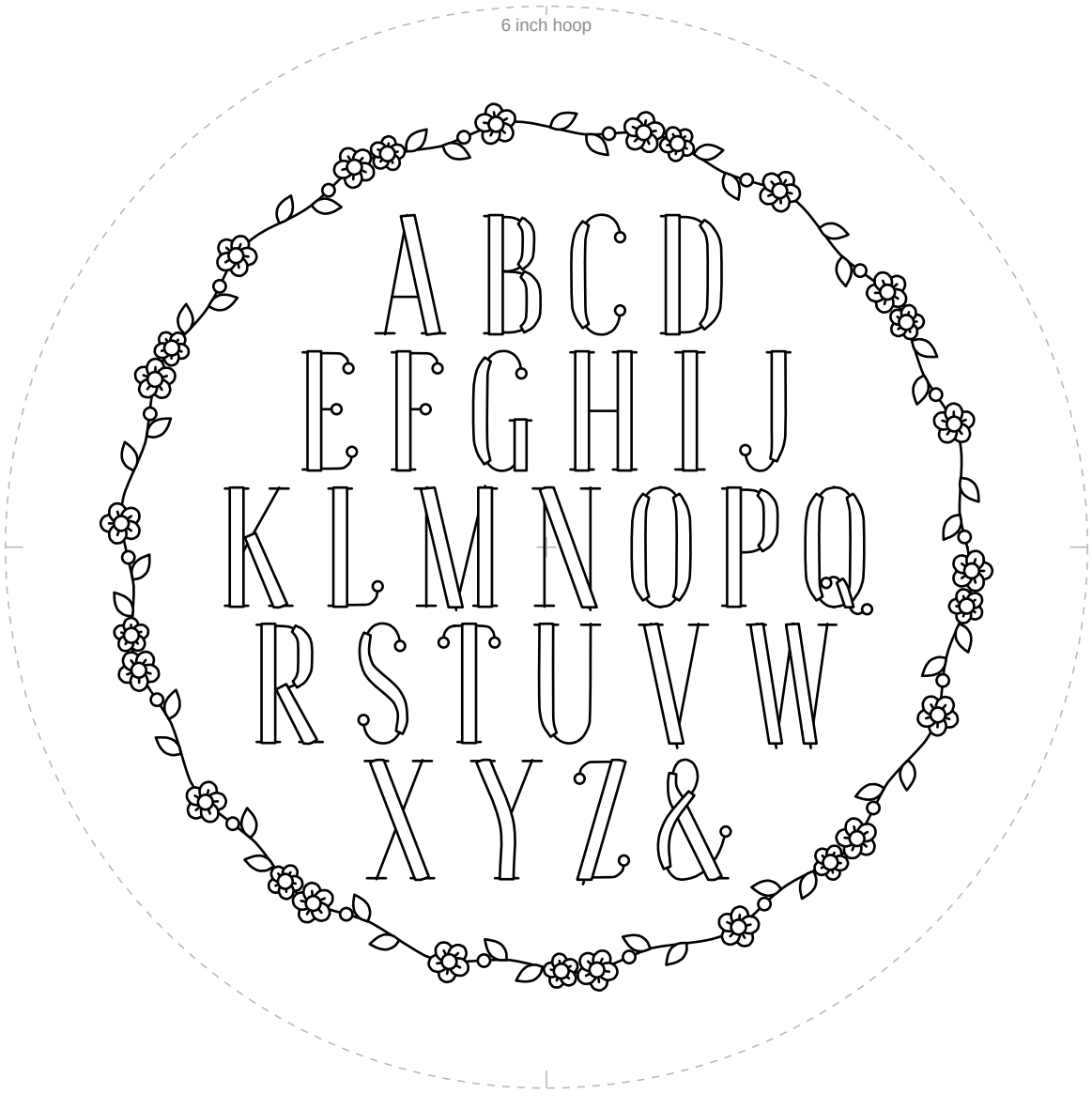


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**6 inch hoop**

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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**6 inch hoop**

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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