Vintage joy nativity for towels

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.7 × 3.1 in (11.9 × 7.9 cm).



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Satin stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Stable roof, tunic, faces, headcloth, headband, hands, manger, swaddling, letter shades, star, letter balls, ribbon, holly leaves, and 5 more
- **Stem stitch**, 2 to 4 strands
  Roof beam, floor, halos, staff, straw, letters, holly stems
- **Straight stitch**, 1 to 3 strands
  Light rays, mouth, brows, eyes, straw, star ray, bird feet, bird bill, bird cheek, bird eye light
- **Split stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Outlines, tunic folds, face lines, eyes, headcloth stripes, hand lines, swaddling lines, ribbon edges, holly veins, bird outline, wing lines
- **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
  Joseph's cloak, beard, gown, mantle
- **French knot**, 1 to 3 strands, two wraps
  Cheeks, berries, bird eye

Floss

DMC 3820 Dark Straw
Stable roof, ribbon, halos, star, light rays, straw, star ray and bird bill

DMC 433 Medium Brown
Ribbon edges, manger, roof beam, staff, floor, face lines and beard and 3 more parts

DMC 3364 Pine Green
Tunic and holly veins

DMC 336 Navy Blue
Letters, outlines, bird outline, letter balls and bird eye, Joseph's cloak (dark)

DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green
Holly leaves, holly stems and tunic folds

DMC 312 Very Dark Baby Blue
Joseph's cloak (middle), bird wing and bird tail, mantle (dark)

DMC 322 Dark Baby Blue
Mantle (middle), bird back and swaddling lines, Joseph's cloak (light) and 1 more part

DMC 951 Light Tawny
Faces and hands

DMC 3688 Medium Mauve
Letter shades, gown, bird breast and cheeks, mouth (lighter)

DMC 3371 Black Brown
Eyes

DMC 3755 Baby Blue
Mantle (light), headcloth, wing lines and bird cheek

DMC 3687 Mauve
Berries and headband, mouth (darker)

DMC BLANC White
Bird belly, swaddling and bird eye light

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 2 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 2 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on**
   Go over the lines of page 3, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron.

Pages 2 and 3 are the pattern at actual size. Print them at 100% with scaling turned off.

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1 in
25.4 mm

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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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