Walrus in a bathtub

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.4 × 4.3 in (11.2 × 10.9 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, loops and knots.

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Belly, tail flippers, head and chest, suds, tub shadow, tub feet, front flippers, whisker pads
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Tub rim, lower lip, tusks, nose, toy duck, duck wing, duck bill, bubble lights
3. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Walrus outline, flipper lines, neck folds, suds edge, tub outline, garland stem, claws, tusk outline, closed eyes, whiskers, soap bubbles, and 1 more
4. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Garland daisies, garland leaves, nostrils, eyelashes
5. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Duck outline
6. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 2 strands
   Garland daisies, garland leaves

Floss

- **1 DMC 224 Very Light Shell Pink**
  Head and chest and front flippers (light), belly (middle) and 3 more parts
- **2 DMC 152 Medium Light Shell Pink**
  Head and chest (dark), tail flippers and front flippers (middle) and 4 more parts
- **3 DMC 225 Ultra Very Light Shell Pink**
  Head and chest (lightest), whisker pads and belly (light)
- **4 DMC 3721 Dark Shell Pink**
  Walrus outline, flipper lines, nose, neck folds and whisker dots
- **5 DMC 223 Light Shell Pink**
  Tail flippers and front flippers (dark), head and chest (darkest)
- **6 DMC BLANC White** Suds, suds knots (lighter)
- **7 DMC 3752 Very Light Antique Blue**
  Tub shadow and tub feet (lighter), suds knots (darker), bubble lights
- **8 DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue**
  Suds edge, soap bubbles, tusk outline and garland stem, garland leaves (darker)
- **9 DMC 932 Light Antique Blue**
  Tub rim, tub feet and tub shadow (darker), garland leaves (lighter)
- **10 DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue** Tub outline
- **11 DMC 3822 Light Straw** Toy duck and daisy hearts
- **12 DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue**
  Closed eyes, eyelashes, claws, nostrils and duck eye
- **13 DMC 712 Cream** Tusks (lighter), whiskers
- **14 DMC 3047 Light Yellow Beige** Tusks (darker)
- **15 DMC 783 Medium Topaz**
  Duck outline and duck wing
- **16 DMC 922 Light Copper** Duck bill

Stitches, continued

7. **French knot**, strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Suds knots, daisy hearts, whisker dots, duck eye

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.

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. Each small loop is one lazy daisy: come up at its point. 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

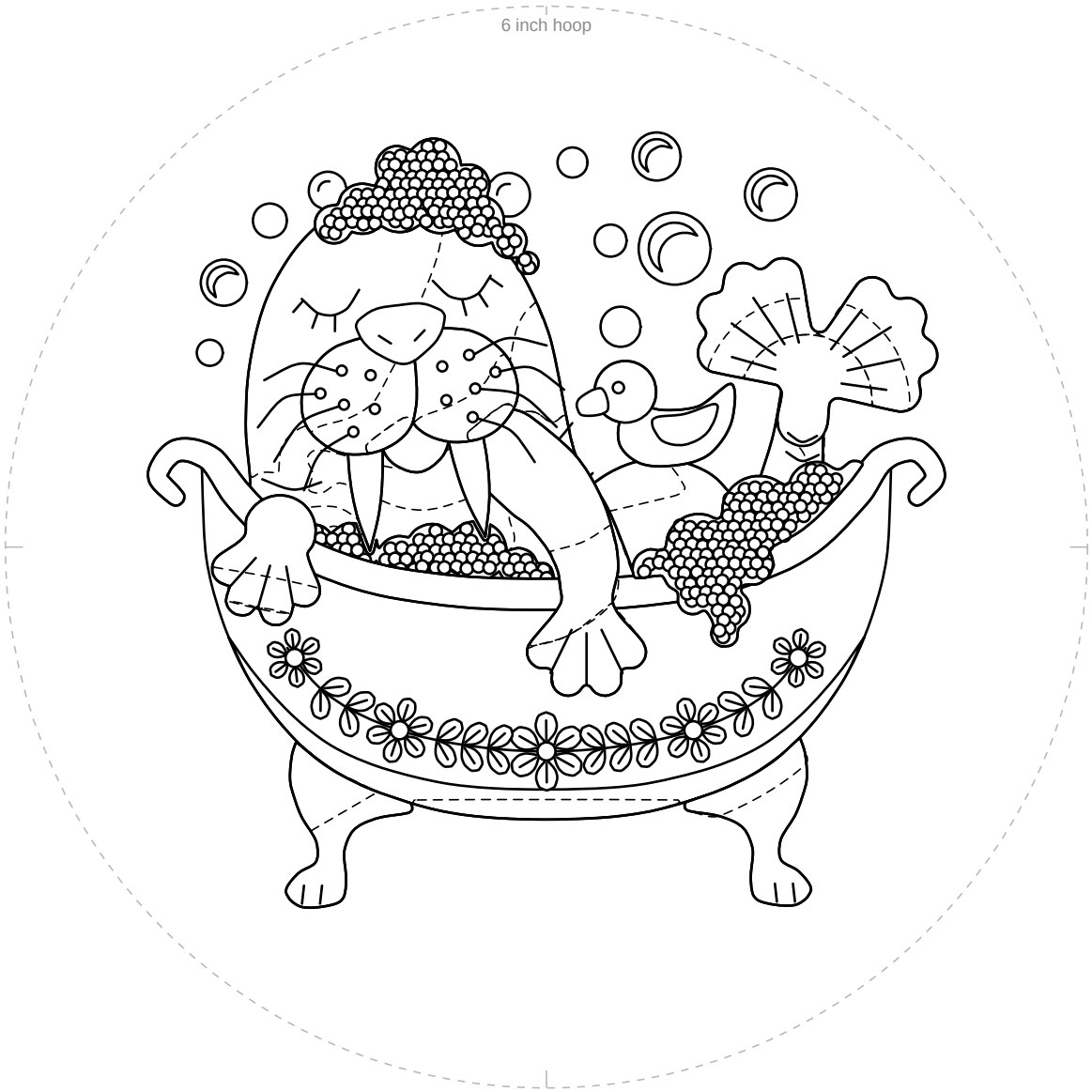
Stem stitch. 3 strands: closed eyes; 2 or 3 strands: walrus outline, tub outline; 2 strands: neck folds, garland stem, claws, tusk outline, whiskers, soap bubbles; 1 or 2 strands: flipper lines; 1 strand: suds edge, bubble lights.
Straight stitch. 2 strands: nostrils; 1 strand: garland daisies, garland leaves, eyelashes.
French knot. 2 strands: suds knots, daisy hearts; 1 strand: whisker dots, duck eye.

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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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