Wow

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.9 × 4.9 in (12.4 × 12.4 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.

16 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**, 2 strands, colors 1, 8
   Quills

2. **Fishbone stitch**
   2 strands, colors 9, 10
   Wings



3. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand, colors 7, 11, 12, 13
   Breast, neck



4. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 14, 15
   Feather rims, gold rings, turquoise eyes, navy centers, feet, bill, cheek, letters, feather fronds



5. **Fly stitch**, 1 strand, color 6
   Scales



6. **Straight stitch**, colors 3, 8
   2 strands: lines of the crest
   3 strands: lines of the feet



7. **Split stitch**, 1 strand, color 16
   Letter edges

8. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps, colors 5, 6, 7
   Gold dots, knots of the crest, eye



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 3346 Hunter Green	7	DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue	13	DMC 996 Medium Electric Blue
2	DMC 3848 Medium Teal Green	8	DMC 782 Dark Topaz	14	DMC 747 Very Light Sky Blue
3	DMC 3847 Dark Teal Green	9	DMC 3776 Light Mahogany	15	DMC 350 Medium Coral
4	DMC 3849 Light Teal Green	10	DMC 400 Dark Mahogany	16	DMC 815 Medium Garnet
5	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	11	DMC 3843 Electric Blue		
6	DMC 3846 Light Bright Turquoise	12	DMC 796 Dark Royal Blue		

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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

Not 1 inch (25.4 mm)? Print again at 100%.

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