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6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.6 × 4.8 in (11.7 × 12.2 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: pale blue cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of pale blue cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

22 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. **Fishbone stitch**
   2 strands, colors 1, 2, 3, 4
   Laurel leaves, daisy leaves



2. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 18
   Berries, bow, bow folds, bow knot, daisy petals, chick beaks, chick eyes, legs, comb, face, beak, wattles, eye ring, eye, letters



3. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand, colors 1, 2, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22
   Tail, tail small wing feathers, chicks, chick wings, thighs, body, breast feathers, wing feathers, small wing feathers, neck hackle, head



4. **Stem stitch**, colors 1, 3, 9, 18
   3 strands: laurel stems, ground, feet
   2 strands: daisy stems, chick legs

5. **Straight stitch**, colors 3, 4, 8, 18
   2 strands: grass, chick legs
   1 strand: eye highlights



6. **Split stitch**, colors 6, 9, 11, 13, 19
   2 strands: letter edges
   1 strand: tail edges, feather lacing, chick edges, chick wing edges, hackle streaks

7. **French knot**
   1 strand, two wraps, color 9
   Daisy centers



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 500 Very Dark Blue Green	9	DMC 783 Medium Topaz	17	DMC 3078 Very Light Golden Yellow
2	DMC 501 Dark Blue Green	10	DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray	18	DMC 3853 Dark Autumn Gold
3	DMC 3346 Hunter Green	11	DMC 502 Blue Green	19	DMC 301 Medium Mahogany
4	DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green	12	DMC 918 Dark Red Copper	20	DMC 3854 Medium Autumn Gold
5	DMC 666 Bright Red	13	DMC 300 Very Dark Mahogany	21	DMC 3855 Light Autumn Gold
6	DMC 815 Medium Garnet	14	DMC 920 Medium Copper	22	DMC 922 Light Copper
7	DMC 321 Red	15	DMC 727 Very Light Topaz		
8	DMC 3865 Winter White	16	DMC 726 Light Topaz		

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6 inch hoop

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

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For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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