FREE EMBROIDERY PATTERNS

Christmas Embroidery Patterns

Four beginner designs for a 4 in hoop · printable true-size template · 5 easy stitches

SKILL LEVEL **Beginner**	HOOP **4 in (10 cm)**	FLOSS **DMC stranded cotton, 2 strands**
NEEDLE **Embroidery needle size 7**	FABRIC **Cotton or linen, 9 in square**	TIME **1–2 hours each**

Materials

- DMC floss: 321 red, 699 green, 729 gold, 801 brown, 3865 white, 3768 grey teal (1 skein each covers all four)
- Natural cotton or linen fabric, a 4 in hoop, embroidery needle, small scissors
- Water-soluble pen or pencil for tracing; print the template at 100% / actual size.

Abbreviations (US terms)

BS	backstitch, 3 mm	**St**	straight stitch
SS	satin stitch	**LD**	lazy daisy
FK	French knot, 2 wraps	**DMC**	floss colour number

Use 2 strands of floss for everything. Trace the design from the template page with the fabric centred over it, put it in the hoop drum-tight, and stitch the outlines first, then fillings, then knots.

Little Tree

Step 1	Backstitch the tree outline in green 699 (2 strands).
Step 2	Backstitch the two garland lines in white 3865.
Step 3	Satin stitch the trunk in brown 801 with vertical stitches.
Step 4	Work the star as 5 straight stitches from one centre in gold 729.
Step 5	Add 8 French knots in red 321 for the baubles (2 wraps).
Counts	backstitch 3865: 15 · backstitch 699: 70 · French knot 321: 8 · satin stitch 801: 12 · straight stitch 729: 5

Holly Sprig

Step 1	Backstitch the three spiky leaf outlines in green 699.
Step 2	Backstitch a centre vein in each leaf.
Step 3	Satin stitch the three berries in red 321, stitching across each circle.
Counts	backstitch 699: 120 · satin stitch 321: 36

Snowflake

Step 1	Backstitch the six arms from the centre out in grey teal 3768.
Step 2	Add two short straight stitches in a V at the middle and near the tip of each arm.
Step 3	Finish each arm with a lazy daisy petal.
Step 4	Add a gold 729 French knot in the centre and 6 around it.
Counts	backstitch 3768: 66 · lazy daisy 3768: 6 · French knot 729: 7 · straight stitch 3768: 24

Bauble

Step 1	Backstitch the circle in red 321.
Step 2	Backstitch the zigzag band in green 699.
Step 3	Add 5 gold 729 French knots below the band.
Step 4	Satin stitch the cap in gold 729.
Step 5	Backstitch the hanger in white 3865, then work two green lazy daisy bow loops and a red French knot.
Counts	backstitch 321: 80 · backstitch 3865: 4 · backstitch 699: 24 · lazy daisy 699: 2 · French knot 321: 1 · French knot 729: 5 · satin stitch 729: 16

Christmas Embroidery · Stitch Chart

Enlarged. Colours are DMC floss numbers; every dash is one backstitch (3 mm).



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Holly Sprig

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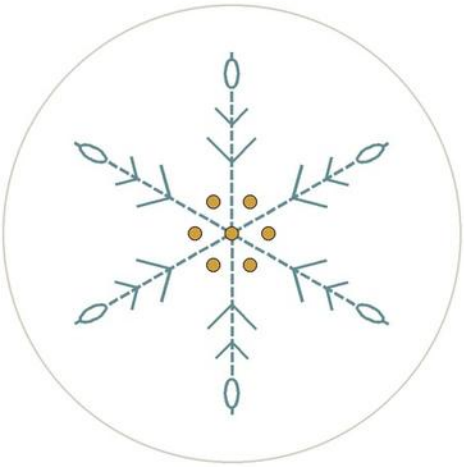

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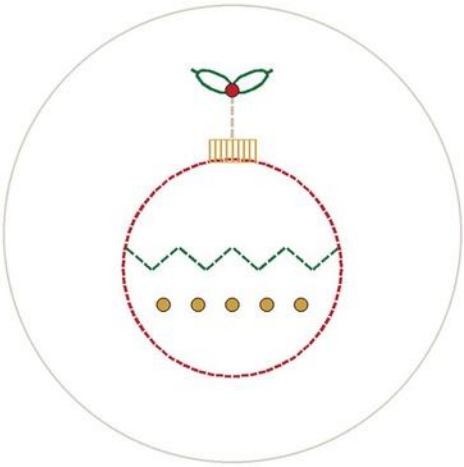

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backstitch · satin stitch · French knot · straight stitch · lazy daisy

DMC 321	DMC 699	DMC 729	DMC 801	DMC 3865	DMC 3768
Red	Christmas green	Old gold	Coffee brown	Winter white	Grey teal

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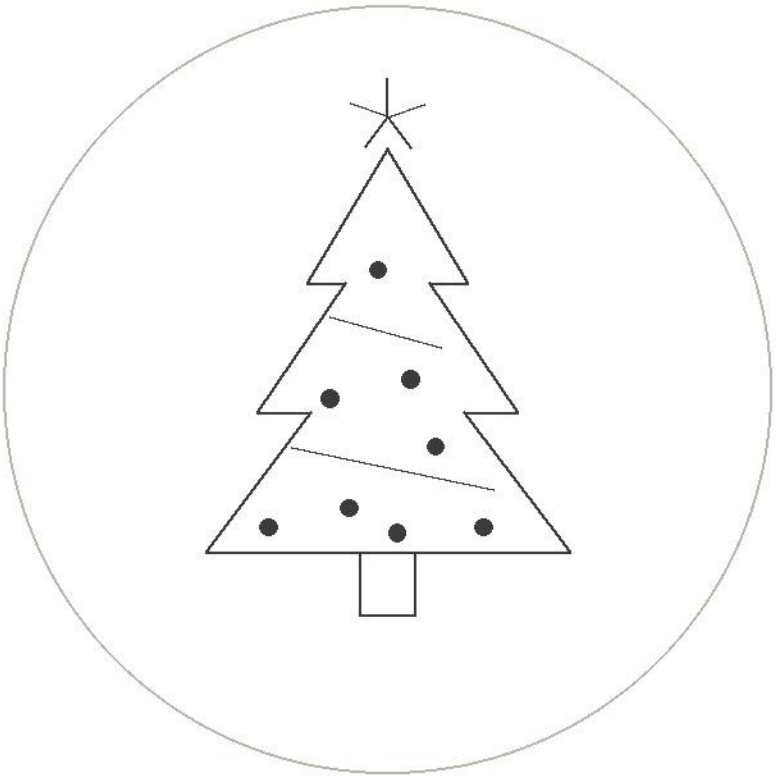
Christmas Embroidery Templates · print at 100% (actual size)

Each circle is a 4 in hoop. Trace the lines onto your fabric; dots = French knots.



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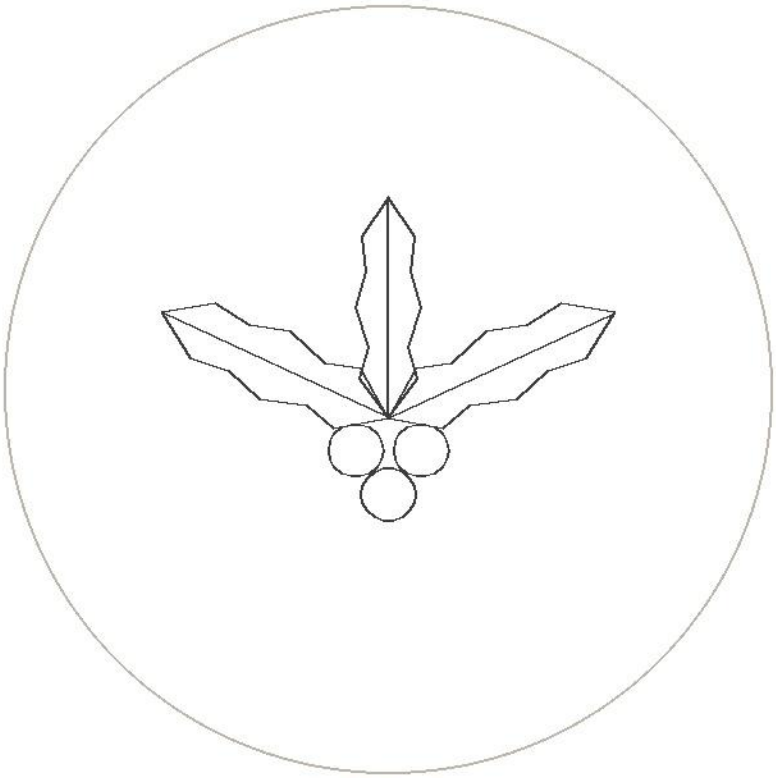

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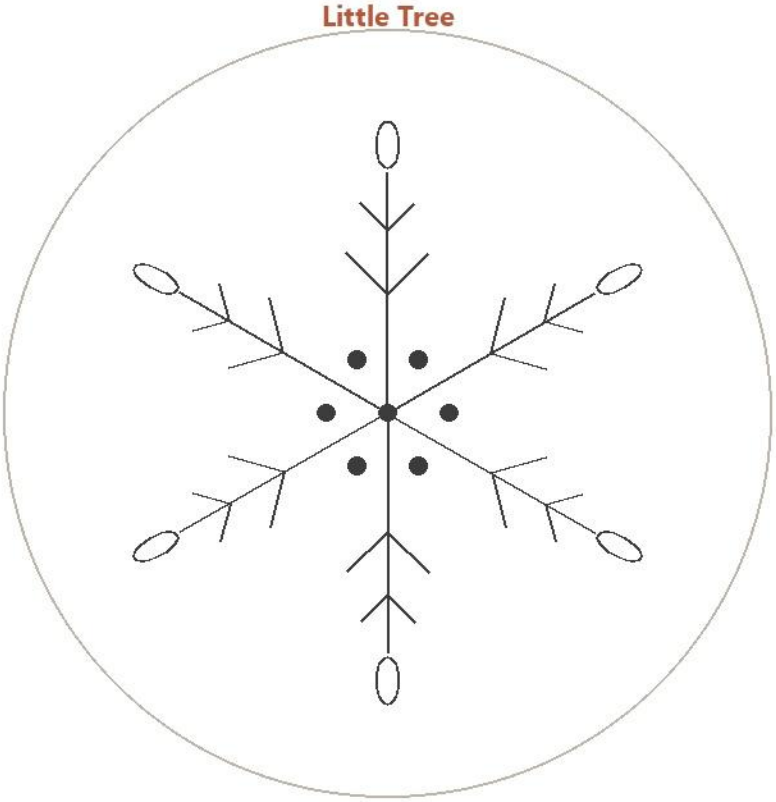

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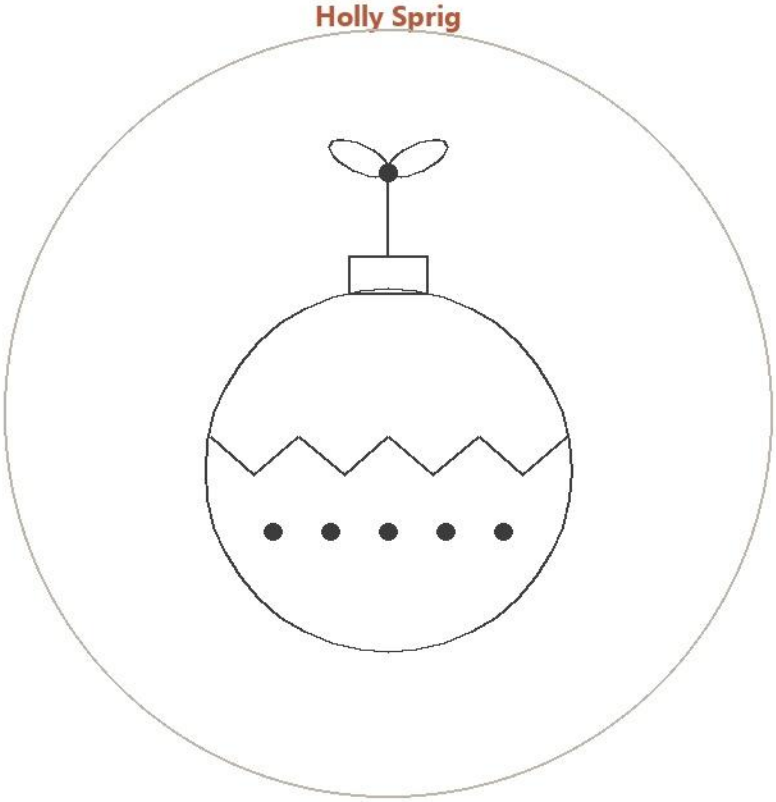

Bauble

1 in check square: measure it after printing