

A top-down view of embroidery supplies on a pink background. In the center is a denim jacket with a heart-shaped embroidery of a cat's face and a tree. To the right are several spools of thread in various colors (black, green, yellow, brown) and a pair of orange-handled scissors. A pink embroidery hoop with a grey fabric insert is also visible, showing the same cat and tree design.

# Kitty Heart

## Embroidery Pattern

**BROWN PAPER STITCH**

# Kitty Heart *Embroidery Pattern* ♥

This is a quick pattern that will help you add a little cat and plant love to your favorite shirt, bag, or to leave as hoop art to hang on your wall.

## Supplies You'll Need

- ♥ Four-inch embroidery hoop or larger
- ♥ A needle (try something on the smaller side like size 5 or 6)
- ♥ DMC thread (colors listed below)
- ♥ [“Stick and Stitch” stabilizer](#) transfer paper (optional)

## Stitches Used in This Pattern

The Kitty Heart pattern uses three types of stitches. Each stitch has its own function within the design of the pattern.

**Satin stitch** ([YouTube tutorial by Jessica Long](#)) — The satin stitch is used for the snake plants and the small facial features of the cat—specifically the pink of the ears, nose, eyes, and whiskers.

**Long and short stitch** ([YouTube tutorial by Cutesy Crafts](#)) — The long and short stitch is a favorite of mine. It makes up the fur on the cat.

**Split stitch** ([YouTube tutorial by Mary Corbert](#))— The split stitch is used for any and all outlining. This includes around the snake plant leaves, around the kitty, and on small details like the eyelids and the cat's smile.

# How to Transfer the Pattern

There are a couple of ways you can transfer this design onto fabric.

**Print and trace** — With this approach, you'll print the design at the desired size and then place it under your fabric to trace using a pen, pencil, or water-soluble pen. (I recommend a [water soluble marking pen](#).) Depending on your fabric, you might need a light box to ensure you can see the design for tracing. If you don't have a light box, a sunny window works, too!

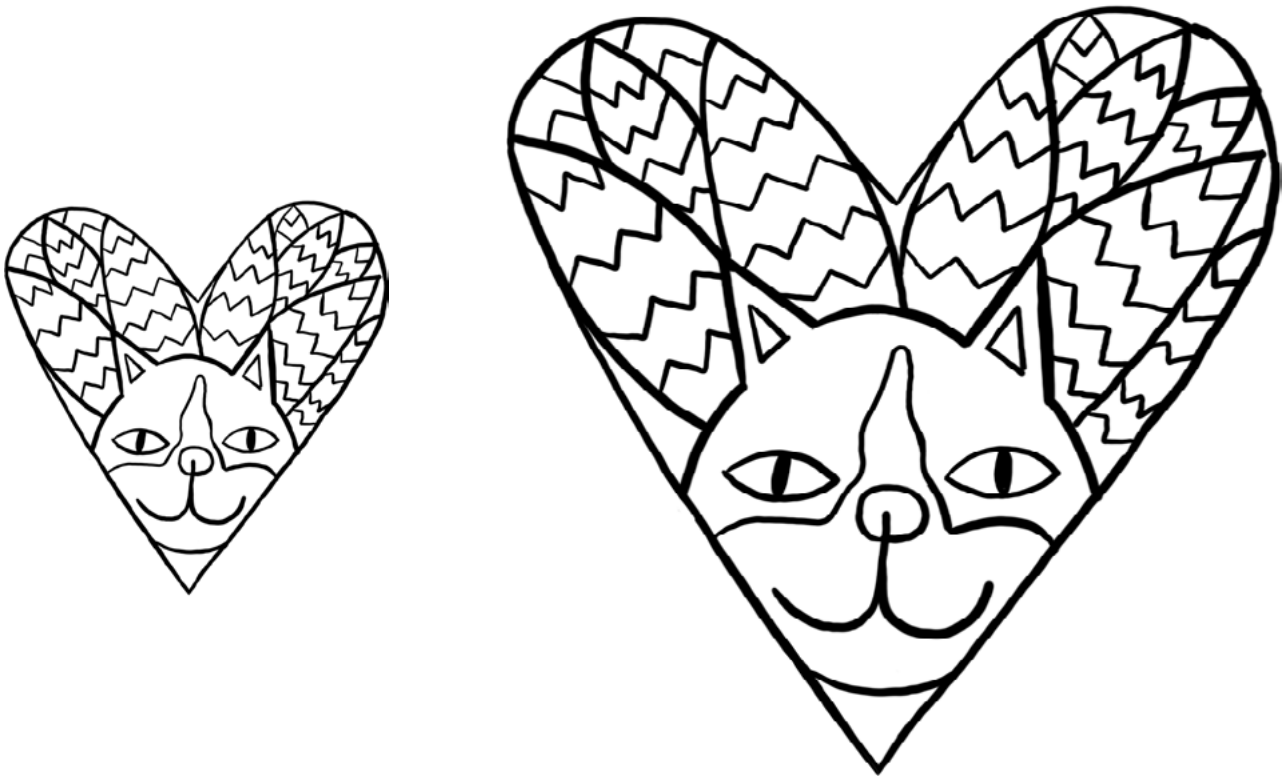
**Print, stick, and stitch** — This is my favorite method because you don't have to trace anything. Using a printer and [stick and stitch stabilizer paper](#), print your design at the desired size. Once printed, cut around the design leaving a quarter to half-inch edge around it. Then, adhere it to your fabric. That's it! You'll then start stitching, and once you're done, wash away the stabilizer using warm water.

## Starting to Stitch the Pattern

When starting this embroidery pattern, I like to work on the leaves first. But it's really up to you! If you're embroidering on the stick and stitch stabilizer, I suggest "anchoring" the pattern so that it doesn't move on you. (It's happened to me plenty of times before.) To do this, make a few stitches at the top and bottom of the pattern and then proceed normally with the rest of your stitching.

# Kitty Heart ♥ *Tuxedo Color*

Pattern to Print or Trace



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# DMC Thread Color Guide ♥ Tuxedo Kitty



DMC 700



DMC 369



DMC 16



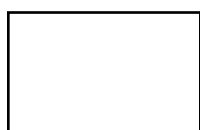
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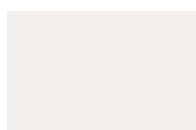
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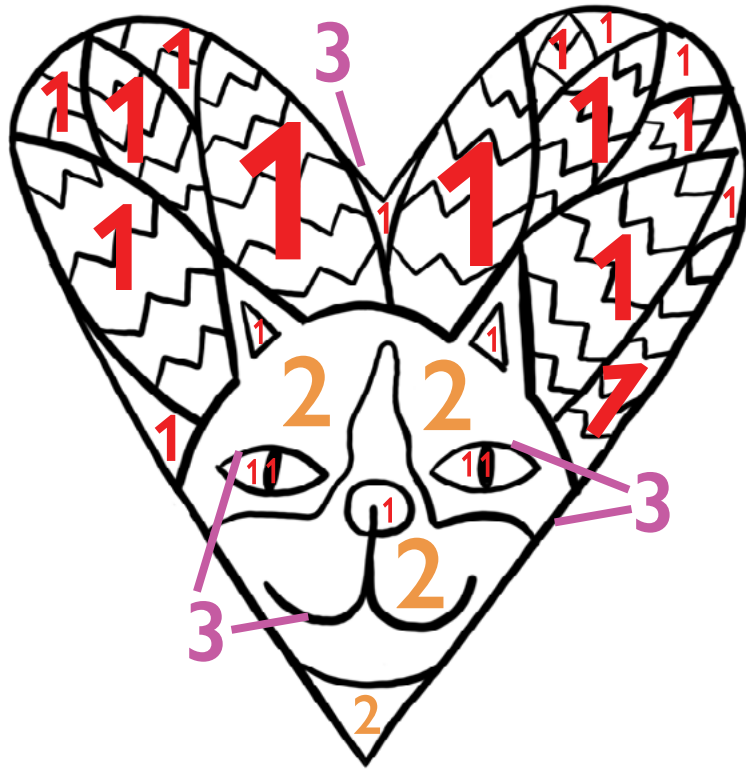
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DMC 644

**Notes about this color guide** — The green outline for the plant leaves is DMC 895; the darker interior color of the leaves is DMC 700 and the lighter color is DMC 369. The whiskers and eyelid (lining the top part of the eye) are both DMC 644. And don't forget the nostrils! They're DMC 310 (aka black).

# Stitch Guide ♥ Tuxedo Kitty



## Key:

1 — Satin Stitch

2 — Long and Short Stitch

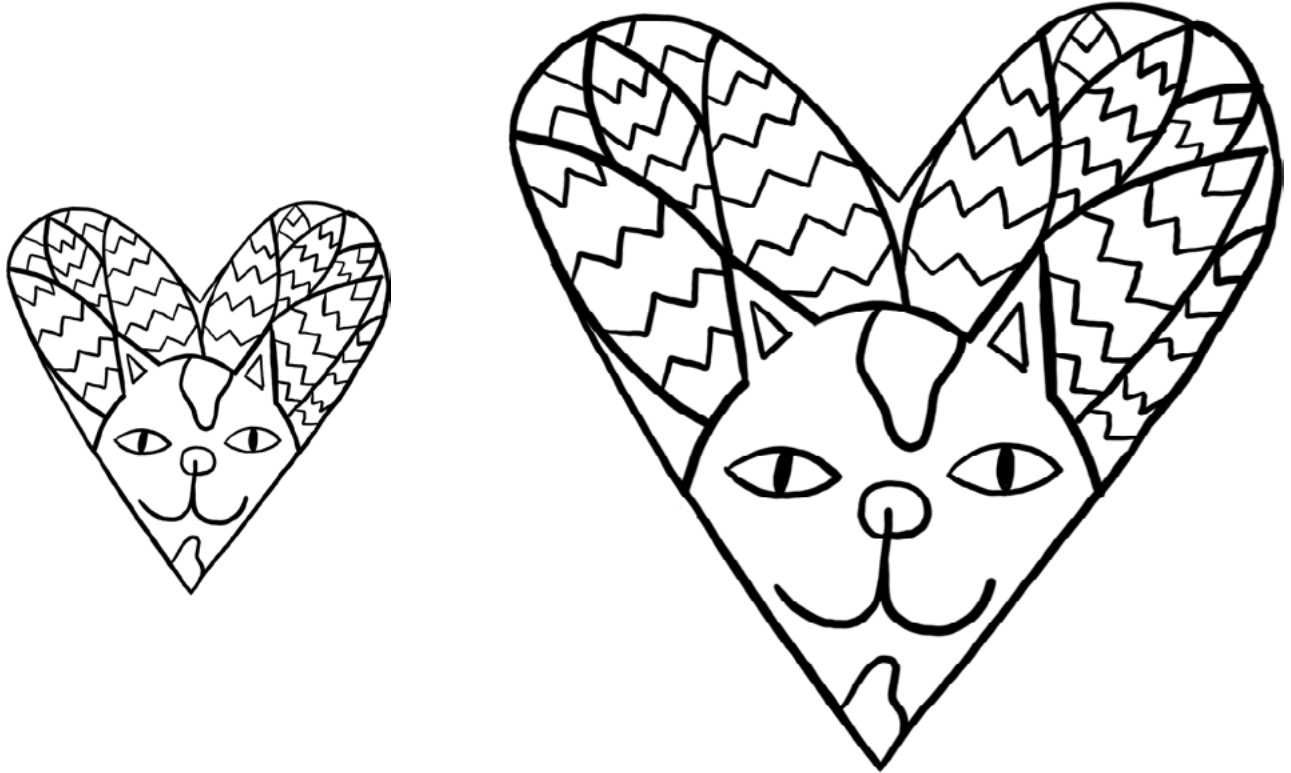
3 — Split Stitch

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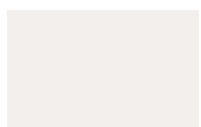
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DMC 310



DMC 3779



DMC 644



DMC 838

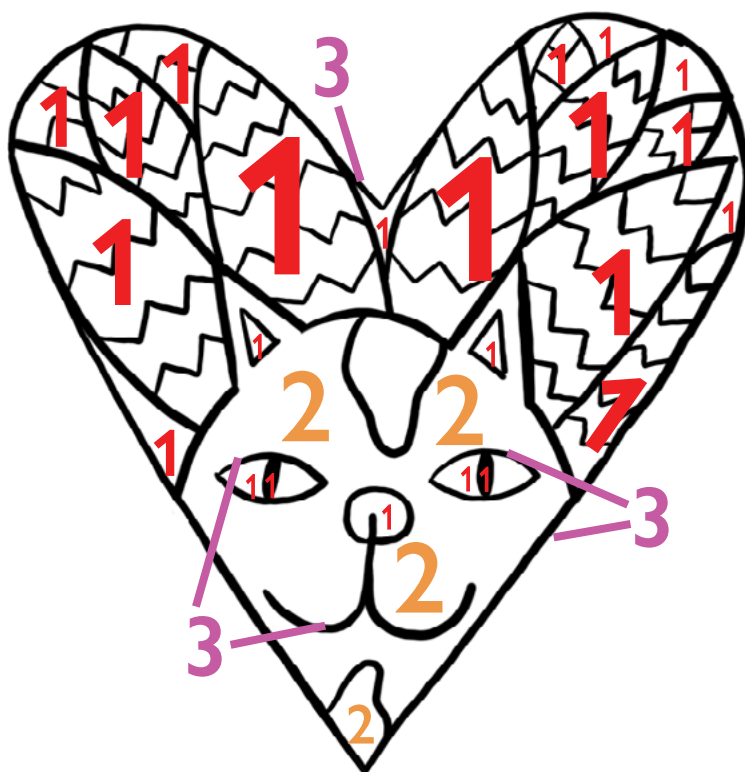


DMC 400

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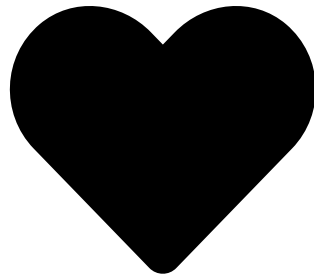
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**Thank you for stitching  
this pattern!**

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finished work using the  
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