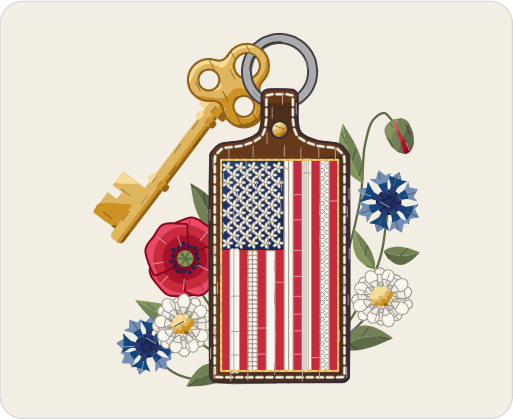
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Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.2 × 4.5 in (10.7 × 11.4 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

Stitch in this order

Filled parts from the back of the picture forward, then lines and knots.

1. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Cornflower hearts, poppy heart, brass key, red stripes, white stripes
3. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Cornflower petals, poppy petals, daisy petals, poppy bud, brass key, split ring, leather strap, blue field
4. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Rivet
5. **Woven filling stitch**, 3 strands
   White stripes
6. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Flower stems, brass key edge, rivet rim, white stripes
7. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Poppy petals, split ring edge, strap edge
8. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Poppy heart, stars
9. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   White stripes
10. **Herringbone stitch**, 2 strands
    White stripes
11. **Whipped back stitch**, 2 strands
    Gold cord
12. **Running stitch**, 2 strands
    Saddle stitching
13. **French knot**
    strands by part on page 2, two wraps
    Cornflower hearts, poppy stamens, daisy hearts, white stripes

Floss

- **1 DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green**
  Flower stems, leaves and poppy bud (dark), poppy heart (darker)
- **2 DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green** Leaves and poppy bud (middle)
- **3 DMC 3364 Pine Green**
  Leaves and poppy bud (light), poppy heart (lighter)
- **4 DMC 939 Very Dark Navy Blue**
  Blue field (dark), cornflower hearts (darker), poppy stamens
- **5 DMC 797 Royal Blue** Cornflower petals (middle)
- **6 DMC 336 Navy Blue** Blue field (light), cornflower petals (dark)
- **7 DMC 799 Medium Delft Blue** Cornflower petals (light)
- **8 DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue** Blue field (middle), cornflower hearts (lighter)
- **9 DMC 321 Red** Red stripes, poppy petals (light)
- **10 DMC 815 Medium Garnet** Poppy petals (darkest)
- **11 DMC 498 Dark Red** Poppy petals (dark)
- **12 DMC 3801 Very Dark Melon** Poppy petals (lightest)
- **13 DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray**
  Daisy petals (middle), white stripes (darker)
- **14 DMC 415 Pearl Gray** Daisy petals (dark)
- **15 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  White stripes (lighter), daisy petals (light), stars and saddle stitching
- **16 DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz**
  Brass key edge, brass key, daisy hearts and rivet (darkest)
- **17 DMC 783 Medium Topaz** Brass key, daisy hearts and rivet (dark)
- **18 DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Brass key, daisy hearts and rivet (light), gold cord (darker)
- **19 DMC 3822 Light Straw**
  Gold cord (lighter), brass key, daisy hearts and rivet (lightest)
- **20 DMC 318 Light Steel Gray** Split ring (lighter)
- **21 DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray** Split ring edge, split ring (darker)
- **22 DMC 898 Very Dark Coffee Brown** Leather strap (middle)
- **23 DMC 3371 Black Brown** Strap edge and rivet rim, leather strap (dark)
- **24 DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown** Leather strap (light)

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.

Inside a filled shape start with two or three tiny stitches, which the filling covers. Start a line with a small knot on the back. End each thread by running the needle under the backs of a few stitches.

Each small ring is one French knot. A dashed line is whipped back stitch. 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

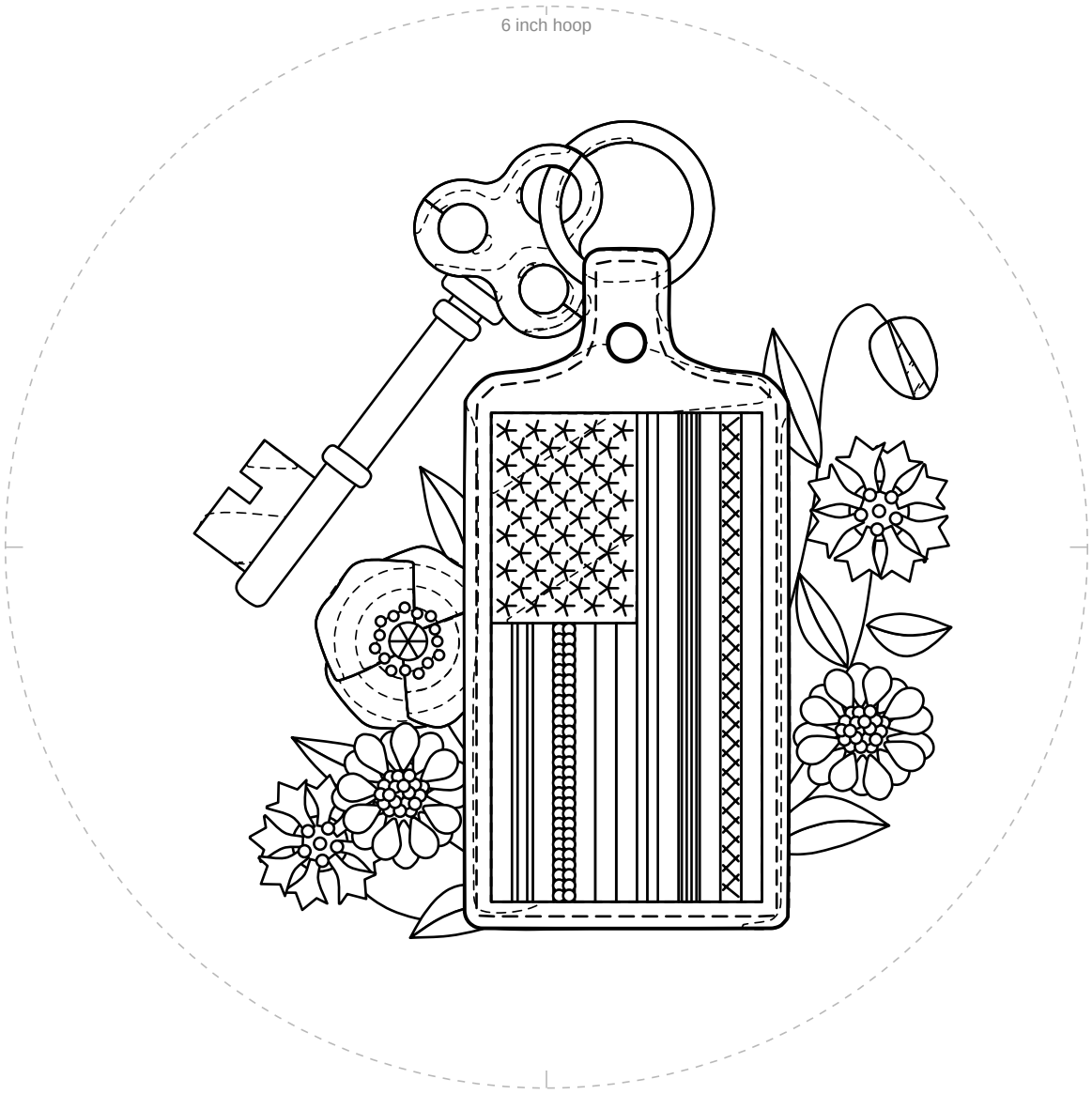
Stem stitch. 2 strands: flower stems, white stripes; 1 strand: brass key edge, rivet rim.
Split stitch. 2 strands: strap edge; 1 strand: poppy petals, split ring edge.
Straight stitch. 2 strands: stars; 1 strand: poppy heart.
French knot. 2 strands: cornflower hearts, daisy hearts, white stripes; 1 strand: poppy stamens.

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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

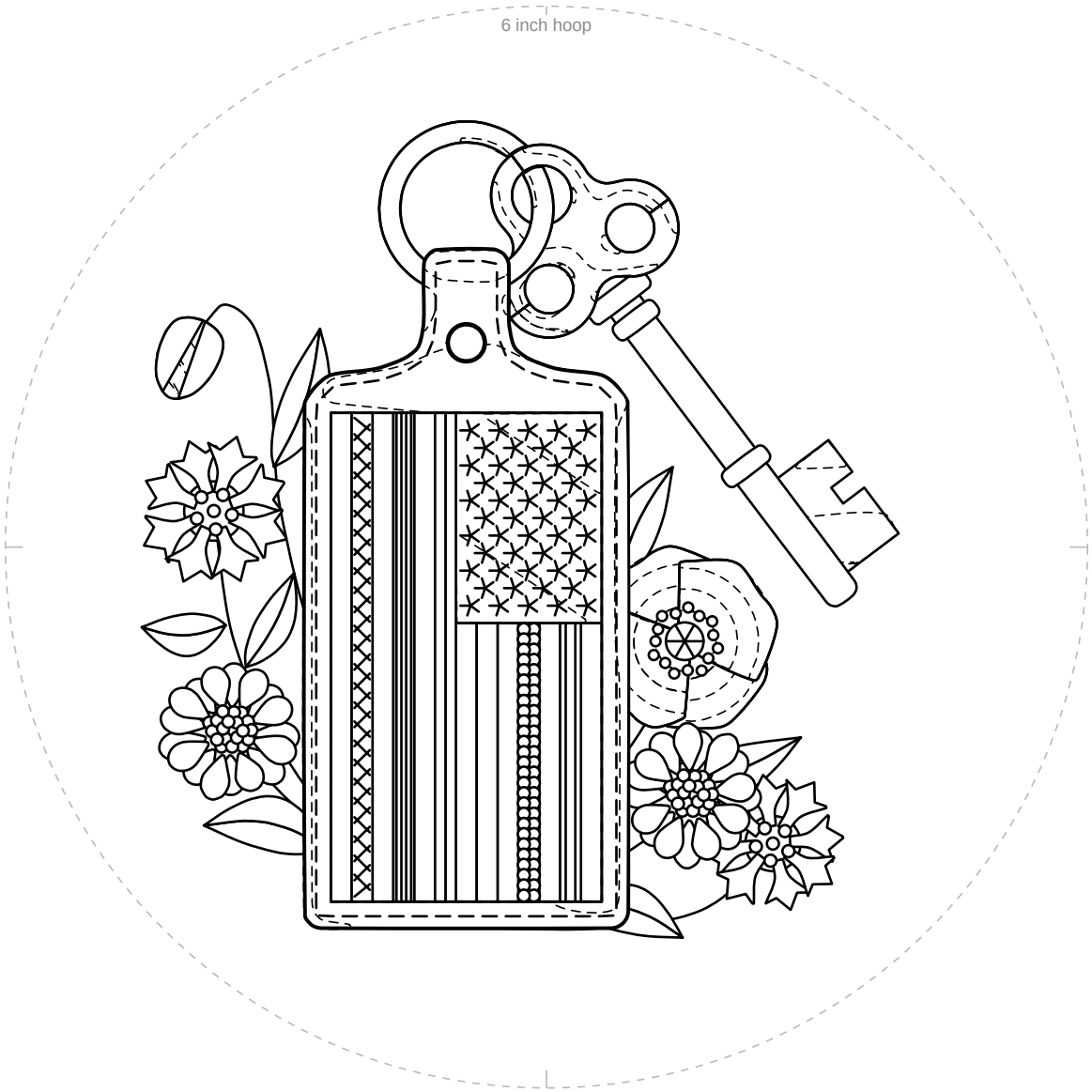
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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