Ancient Roman motifs mosaic sampler

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 3.7 × 3.7 in (9.4 × 9.4 cm).



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Plait, floor tiles, corner tiles, emblem ring, spandrel leaves, dolphin tail, dolphin fins, lamp foot, lamp lid, lamp flame, capital slab, and 8 more
- **French knot**, 1 to 3 strands, two wraps
  Plait beads, dolphin eye, lamp knob, capital eyes, lyre knobs, dove eye, grapes, rosette knots
- **Stem stitch**, 2 to 4 strands
  Frame lines, lamp handle, lamp edge, capital scrolls, jug handle, dove sprig, scallop ribs, scallop edge, grape stem, grape tendril
- **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
  Wave
- **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
  Dolphin, dove
- **Split stitch**, 1 strand
  Dolphin edge, dolphin mouth, dove edge
- **Woven filling stitch**, 3 strands
  Lamp
- **Couching**, 6 strands
  Lyre shell, lyre arms, lyre bar

Floss

- **DMC 355 Dark Terra Cotta**
  Plait (darker), lamp, jug (middle), rosette petals (dark) and 15 more parts
- **DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue**
  Plait (lighter), dolphin (dark), wave and dove edge and 3 more parts
- **DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Plait beads, floor tiles and grape leaf (lighter), jug (light) and 5 more parts
- **DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue**
  Frame lines, dolphin edge and dolphin fins, dolphin (darkest) and 4 more parts
- **DMC 782 Dark Topaz**
  Floor tiles and scallop (darker), capital slab, lyre arms (middle) and 10 more parts
- **DMC 902 Very Dark Garnet**
  Jug (dark), grapes (darker), capital scrolls and corner tiles and 9 more parts
- **DMC 3778 Light Terra Cotta**
  Scallop and emblem ring (lighter), capital flutes (darker)
- **DMC 932 Light Antique Blue**
  Dolphin (light), dove (darker), dove wing (lighter)
- **DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Dove, capital flutes and dolphin eye (lighter), dolphin (lightest)
- **DMC 3846 Light Bright Turquoise** Dolphin eye (darker)

Stitches, continued

- **Straight stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Lyre strings, dove bill, dove feet, grape veins, rosette petals
- **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Jug
- **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
  Dove wing
- **Lazy daisy stitch**, 2 to 3 strands
  Dove sprig leaves, rosette petals
- **Trellis stitch**, 2 strands
  Scallop
- **Woven wheel stitch**, 4 strands
  Rosette wheel

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 2 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 2 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on**
   Go over the lines of page 3, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron.

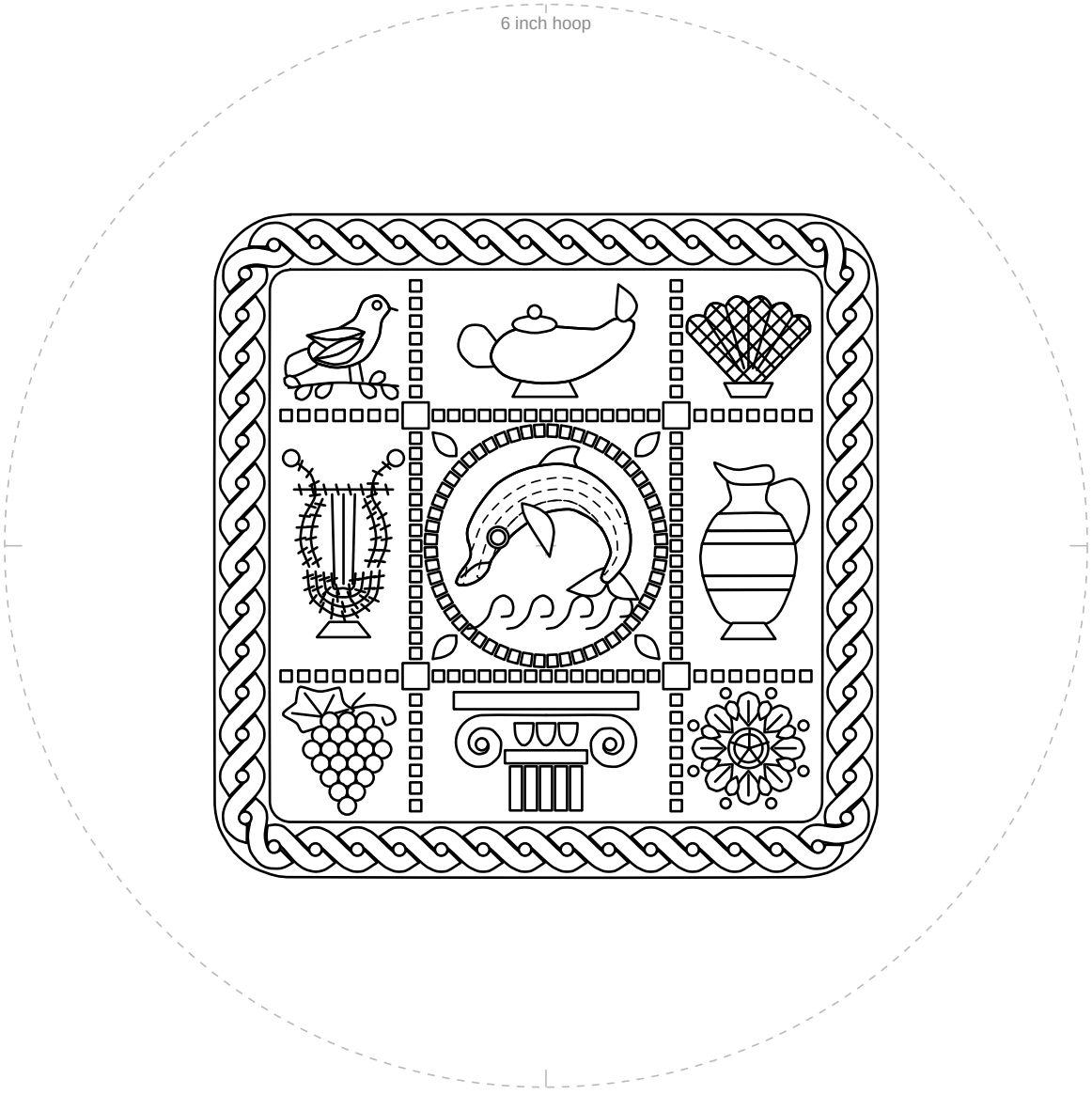
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25.4 mm

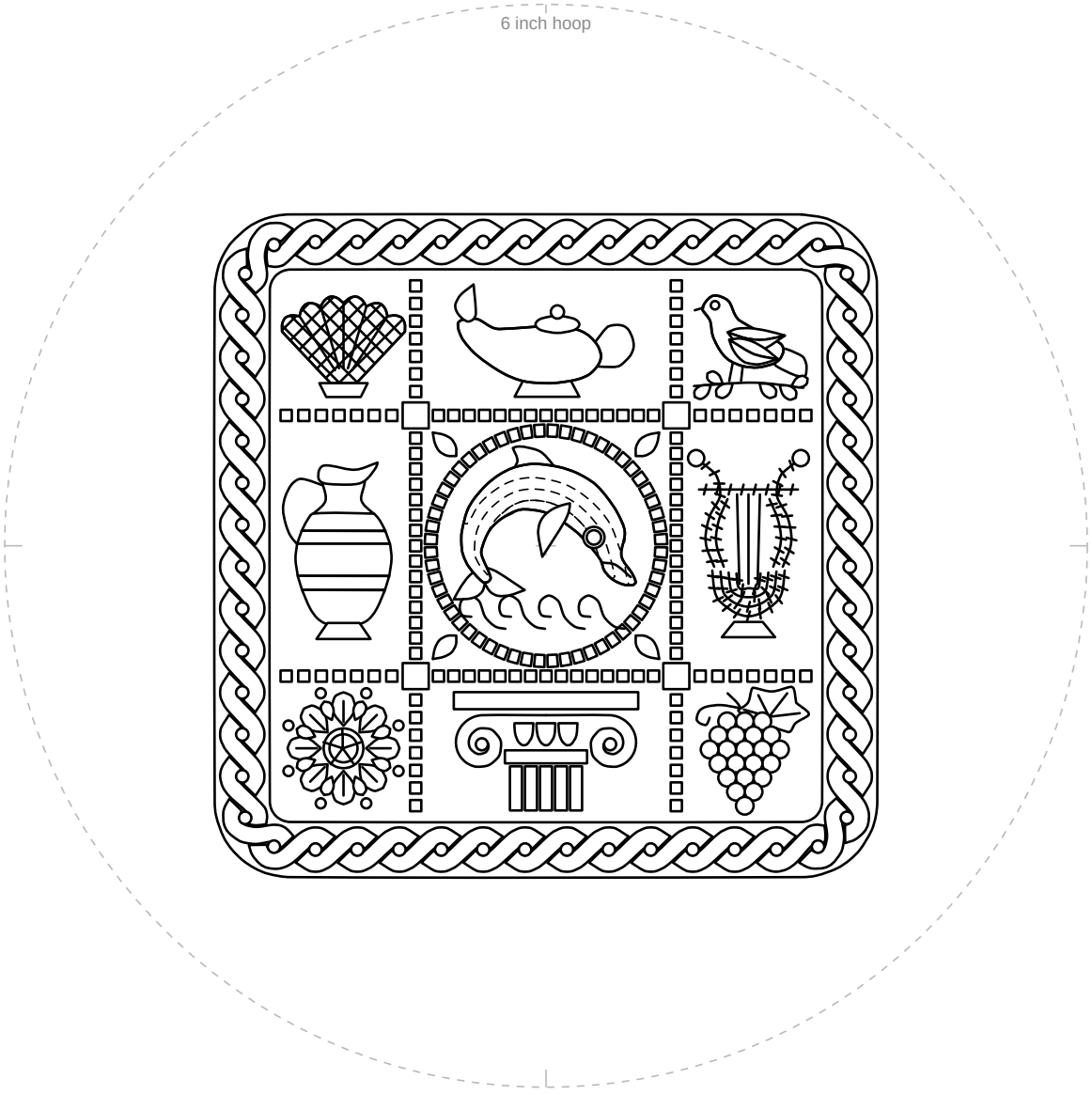
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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