Avant garde abstract composition

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.8 × 4.5 in (12.2 × 11.4 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

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.

Floss

- **1 DMC 606 Bright Orange-Red**
  Half disk (lighter)
- **2 DMC 817 Very Dark Coral Red**
  Half disk (darker)
- **3 DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray**
  Running lines
- **4 DMC 783 Medium Topaz**
  Quarter ring
- **5 DMC 310 Black**
  Cord
- **6 DMC 3326 Light Rose**
  Square
- **7 DMC 797 Royal Blue**
  Bar
- **8 DMC 701 Light Green**
  Ball

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Half disk, ball
2. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Square
3. **Woven filling stitch**, 6 strands
   Bar
4. **Running stitch**, 4 strands
   Running lines
5. **Chain stitch**, 6 strands
   Quarter ring
6. **Couching**, 6 strands
   Cord
7. **Back stitch**, 5 strands
   Bar

For your own stitching, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF or copies of it.

Avant garde abstract composition

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.

A dashed line is running stitch.

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.



1 DMC 606 Bright Orange-Red	**4** DMC 783 Medium Topaz	**7** DMC 797 Royal Blue
2 DMC 817 Very Dark Coral Red	**5** DMC 310 Black	**8** DMC 701 Light Green
3 DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray	**6** DMC 3326 Light Rose	

How many strands

Satin stitch. 2 strands: ball; 1 strand: half disk.

For your own stitching, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF or copies of it.

Avant garde abstract composition

6 inch hoop

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

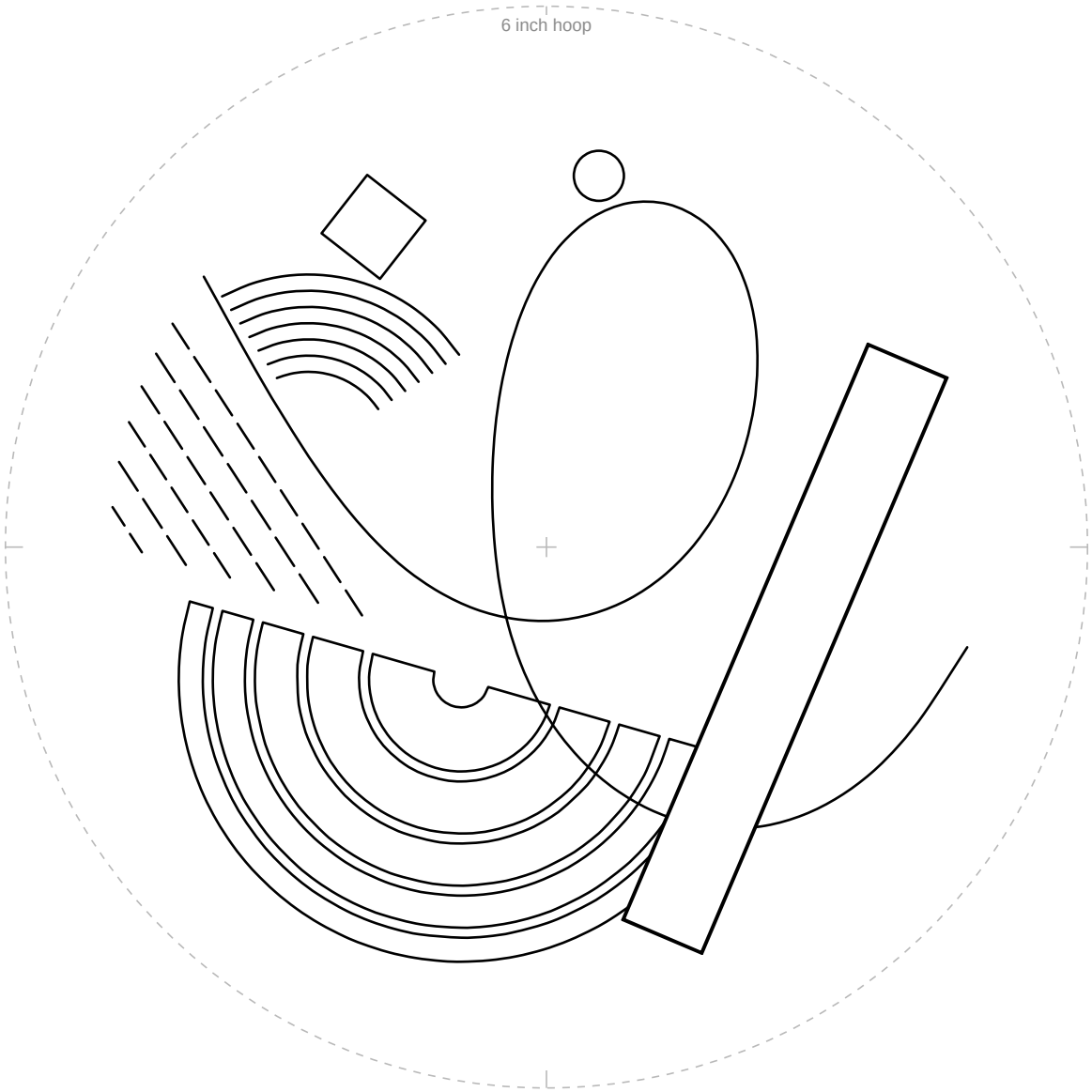
Check square: 1 inch (25.4 mm) on each side.
If it measures anything else, print again at 100% with scaling off.

For your own stitching, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF or copies of it.

Avant garde abstract composition

6 inch hoop

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



1 in
25.4 mm

Check square: 1 inch (25.4 mm) on each side.
If it measures anything else, print again at 100% with scaling off.

For your own stitching, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF or copies of it.