Barnacle cluster on a weathered rock

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.3 × 4.3 in (10.9 × 10.9 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Split stitch**
   4 strands: rock
   3 strands: rock edge
   2 strands: rock cracks, shell edges

2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Mouth rims, mouths, gray wedges



3. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Rim edges, plum seams

4. **Fly stitch**, 1 strand
   Feathery legs



5. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Leg stems, weed stems

6. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Closing plates, shell plates



7. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Weed knots



Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop or sew a pillow.

In a 6 inch hoop the French knots are drawn smaller than about 2 mm (a little over 1/16 in). Use one strand of floss for them there, or choose a larger hoop.

How to read it

Floss has six strands: cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number named one at a time, and lay them together.

Start a filling with tiny stitches, a line with a small knot; end under stitches on the back.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches.

New to this: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.

Onto the fabric

Fabric you can see through: page 3 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 4, the mirrored page, and press it ink side down as the pen's packet says. The lines stay.

Then hoop it, inner ring under, tight as a drum.

Buy: 13 colors of floss (page 2), 2 skeins of DMC 3799; one of each other color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), embroidery needles size 9, and size 5 for 4 strands, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen, a water-soluble pen.

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A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



1	DMC 318 Light Steel Gray	**6**	DMC 452 Medium Shell Gray	**11**	DMC 520 Dark Fern Green
2	DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray	**7**	DMC 3033 Very Light Mocha Brown	**12**	DMC 523 Light Fern Green
3	DMC 317 Pewter Gray	**8**	DMC 3866 Ultra Very Light Mocha	**13**	DMC 522 Fern Green
4	DMC 154 Very Dark Grape	**9**	DMC 3782 Light Mocha Brown		
5	DMC 451 Dark Shell Gray	**10**	DMC 3726 Dark Antique Mauve		

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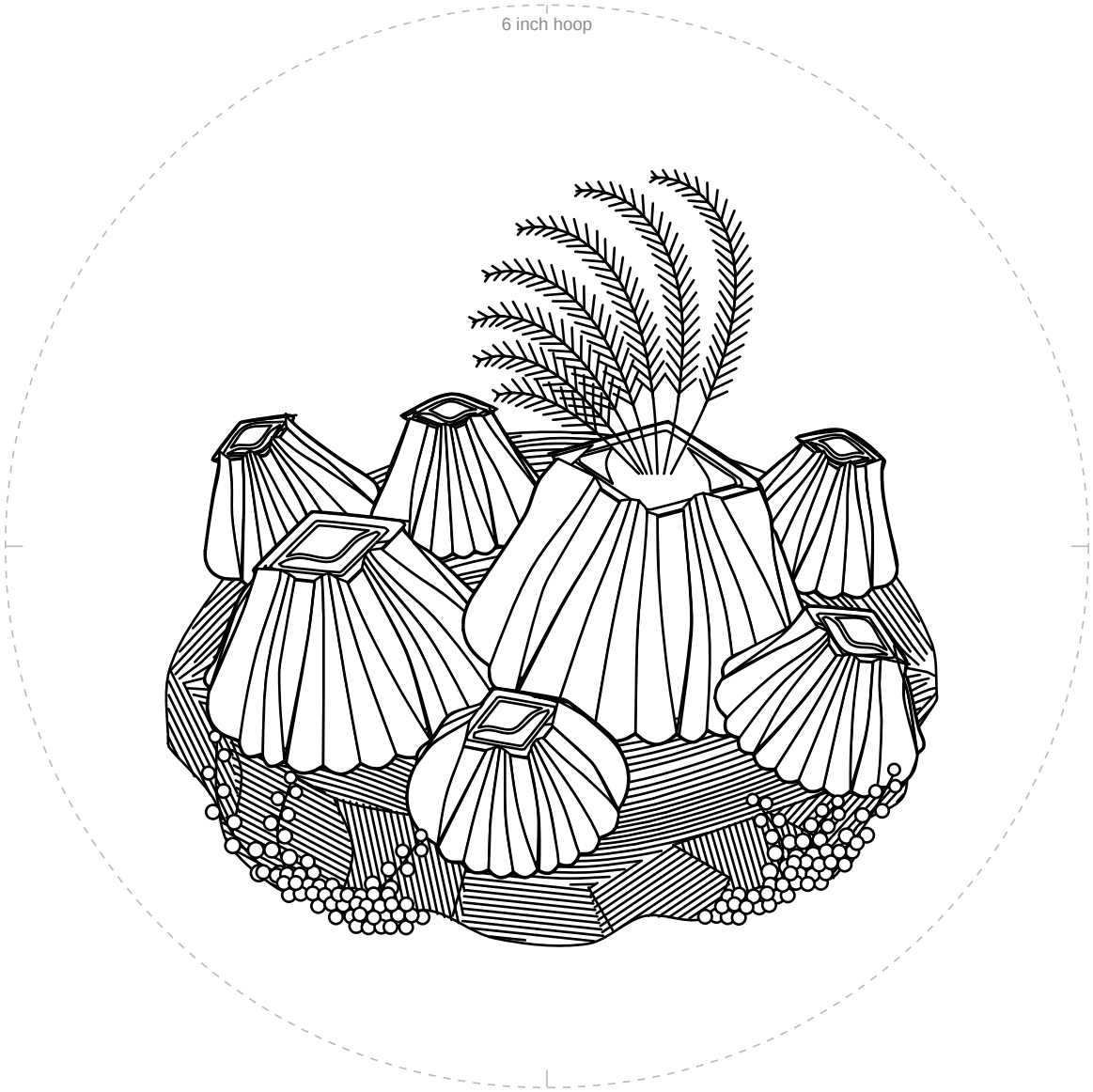
Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.
On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot.



1 in
25.4 mm

Not 1 inch (25.4 mm)? Print again at 100%.

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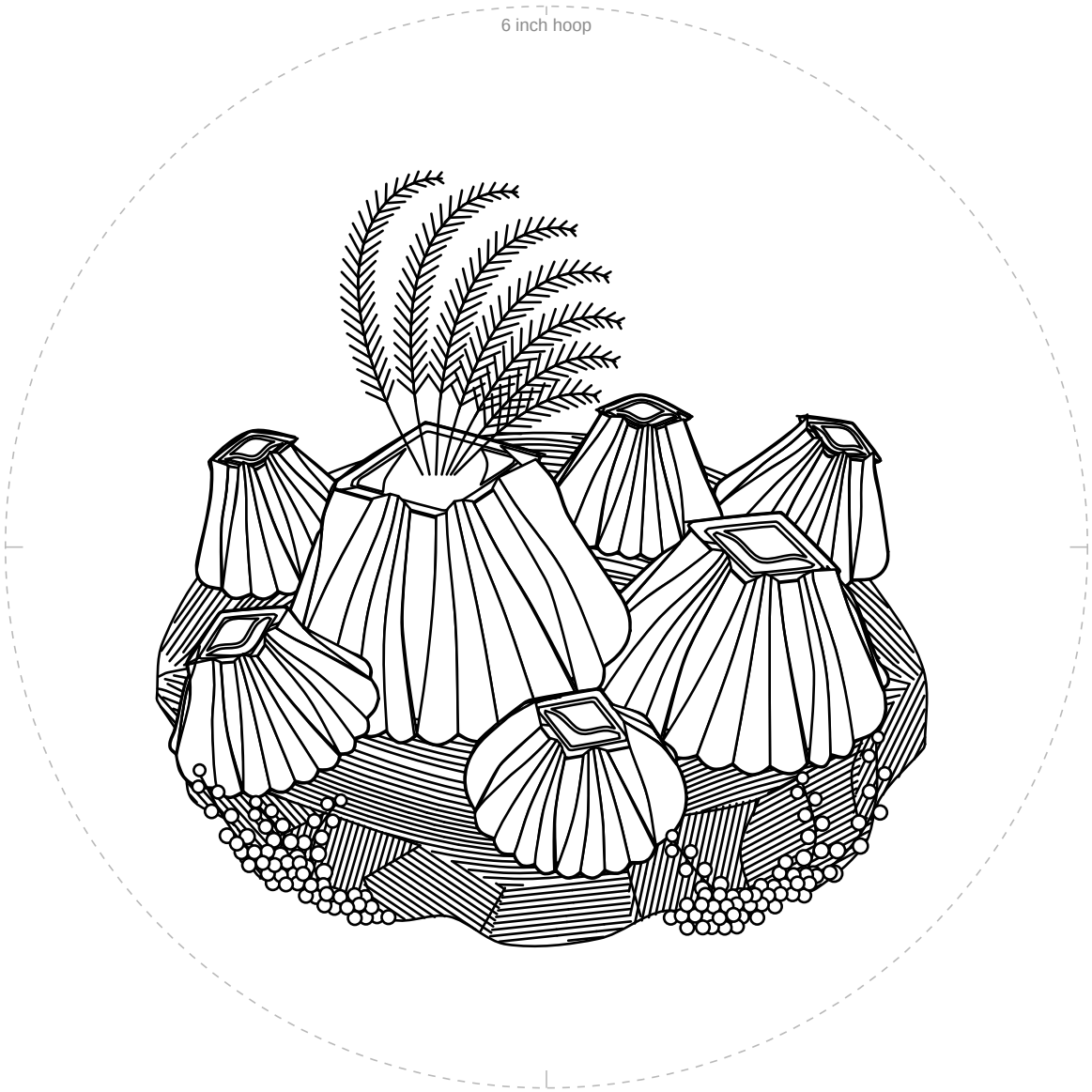
For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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