# Be nice

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.9 × 4.9 in (12.4 × 12.4 cm)




Colors by number: page 2.

## 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: 18 colors of floss (page 2), one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), an embroidery needle size 9, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen, a water-soluble pen.

## Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**
   1 strand: grasses, stems, antennae
   2 strands: lines of the words



2. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Clover heads



3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves, buttercup petals, cosmos petals, poppy petals, poppy buds, cups, harebells, fern leaves, butterfly wings, butterfly body, words



4. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Buttercup edges, cosmos edges, poppy edges, harebell edges, butterfly edges (color 13)



5. **Straight stitch**
   1 strand: grass leaves, forget-me-not stalks, lace umbels, cornflower petals, lines of the oat grass, butterfly edges (color 13)
   2 strands: lavender



6. **Lazy daisy stitch**
   1 strand: open leaves, loops of the oat grass
   2 strands: aster petals



7. **French knot**, 1 strand, two wraps
   Buttercup centers, forget-me-nots, forget-me-not eyes, cosmos centers, aster centers, poppy centers, lace florets, harebell caps



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

In a 6 inch hoop the shortest lazy daisy loops 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.



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




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| 1 | DMC 3364 Pine Green | 7 | DMC 3820 Dark Straw | 13 | DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue |
| 2 | DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green | 8 | DMC 3688 Medium Mauve | 14 | DMC 798 Dark Delft Blue |
| 3 | DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green | 9 | DMC 3687 Mauve | 15 | DMC 799 Medium Delft Blue |
| 4 | DMC 726 Light Topaz | 10 | DMC 209 Dark Lavender | 16 | DMC 3041 Medium Antique Violet |
| 5 | DMC 782 Dark Topaz | 11 | DMC 3712 Medium Salmon | 17 | DMC 3045 Dark Yellow Beige |
| 6 | DMC 809 Delft Blue | 12 | DMC 3328 Dark Salmon | 18 | DMC 3740 Dark Antique Violet |



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**6 inch hoop**

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; a loop is one lazy daisy, begun at its point.




**1 in**
25.4 mm

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


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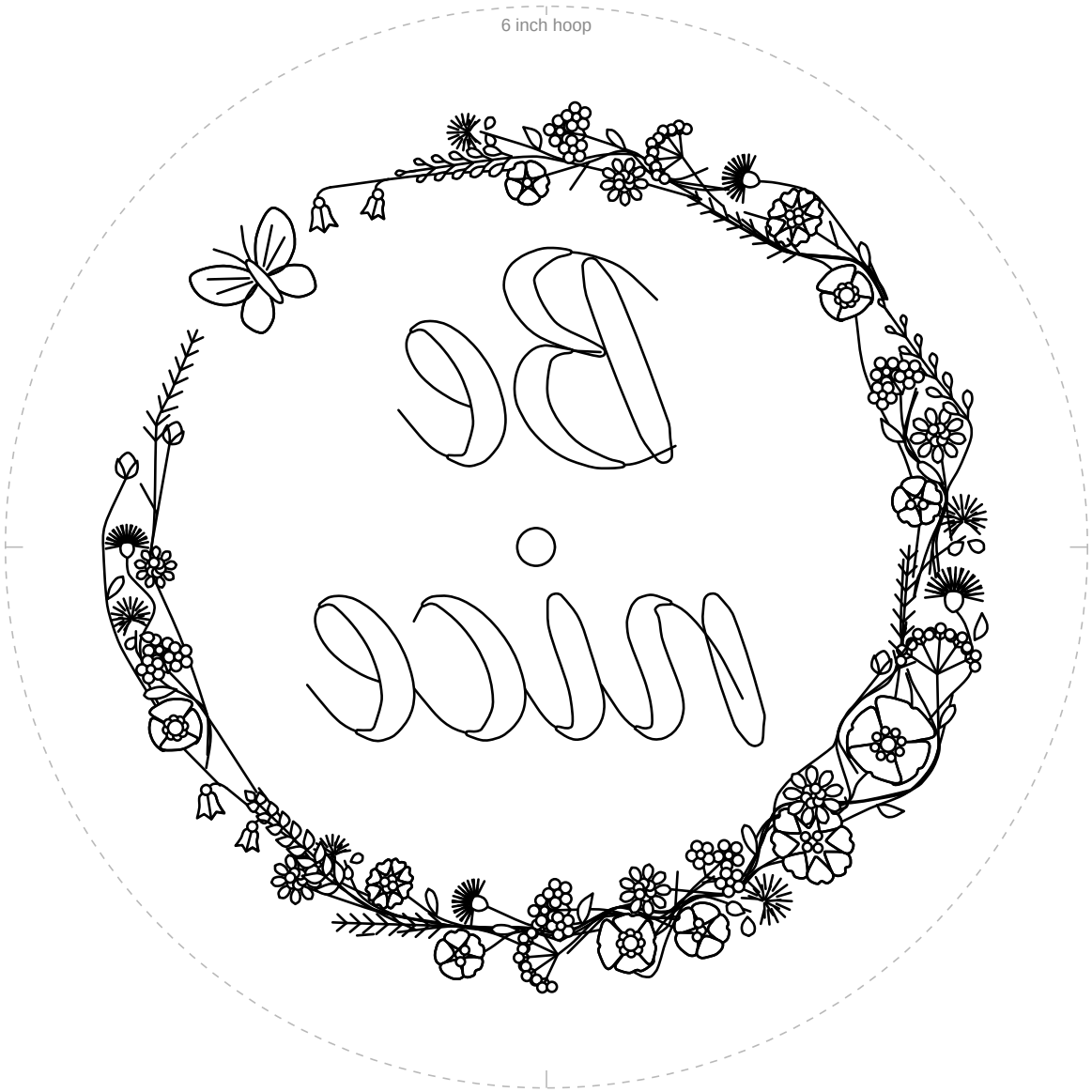
**6 inch hoop**

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

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