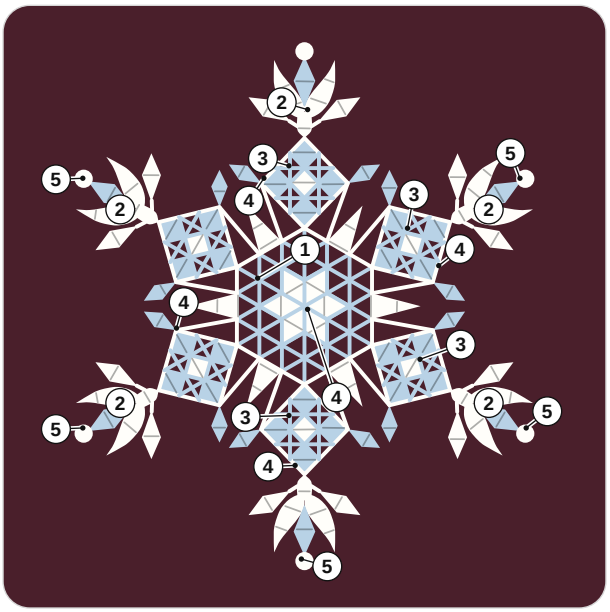
Blackwork snowflake

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 2.9 × 3.4 in (7.4 × 8.6 cm)



A number is a row of the list.
Fabric: wine red cotton or linen.

Floss

DMC 3325 Light Baby Blue
Diamond filling, lattice, tulip centers, star outline and star lines, arm diamonds and side branches (darker)

DMC BLANC White
Arms, tulip tips, small points, center star, hexagon and pearl knots, side branches and arm diamonds (lighter)

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of wine red cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

One skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes).

A white pencil, and small scissors.

Onto the fabric

Fabric that lets light through: page 2 on a bright light, the fabric over it; trace with a white pencil.

Other fabric: print page 2 on a sticky wash-away sheet, stick it on, stitch through it and rinse it away.

Or white or yellow carbon paper, colored side down, page 2 on top; trace with a ballpoint and go over a faint line with a white pencil.

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

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.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Holbein stitch**, 1 strand
   Lattice

2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Center star, arm diamonds, side branches, tulip tips, arms, small points, tulip centers



3. **Holbein stitch**, 1 strand
   Diamond filling

Stitch in this order, continued

4. **Back stitch**
   3 strands: edges of the arms, edges of the side branches, hexagon
   1 strand: star lines, star outline

5. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Pearl knots



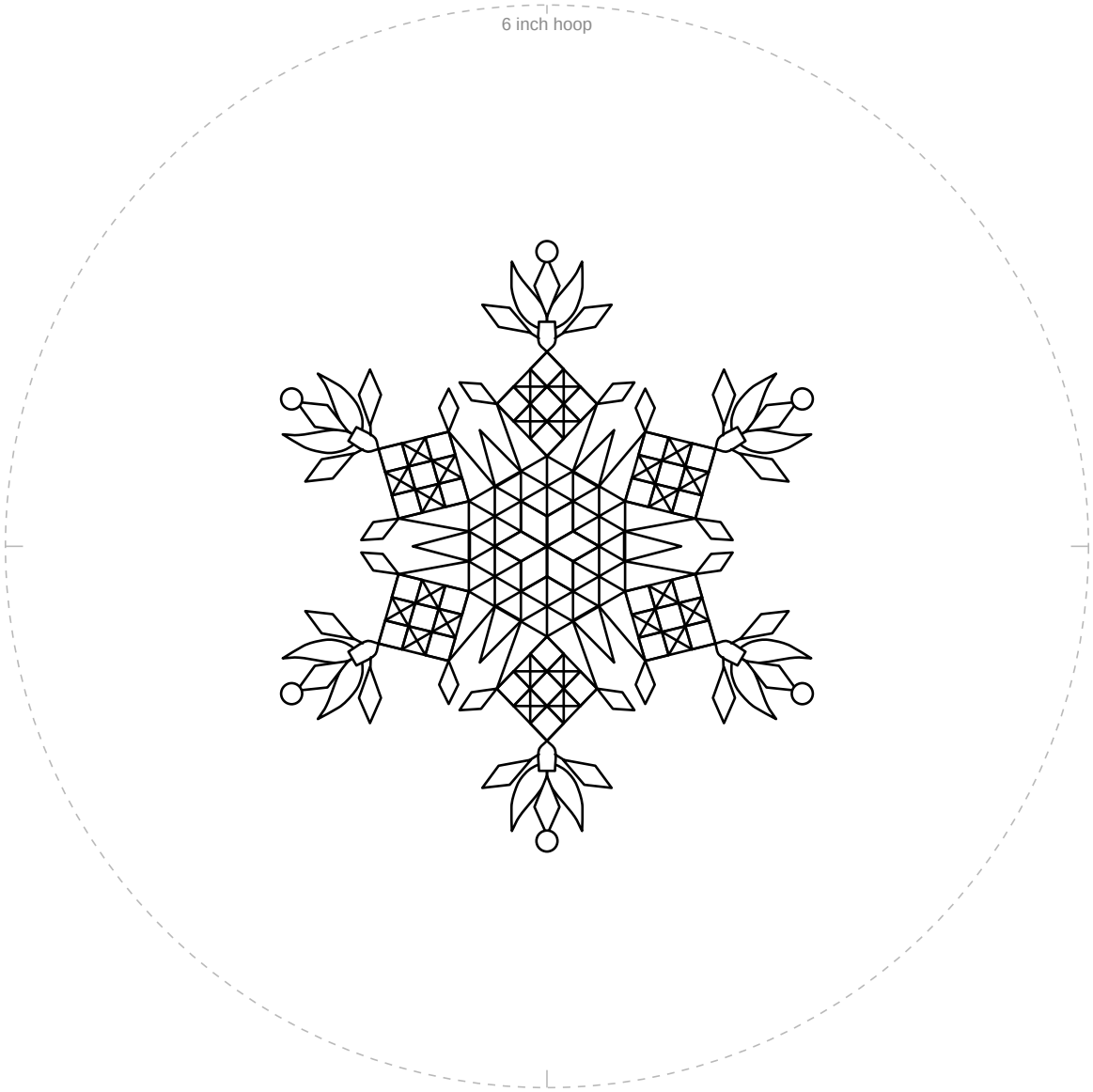
Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop.

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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.



1 in
25.4 mm

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

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