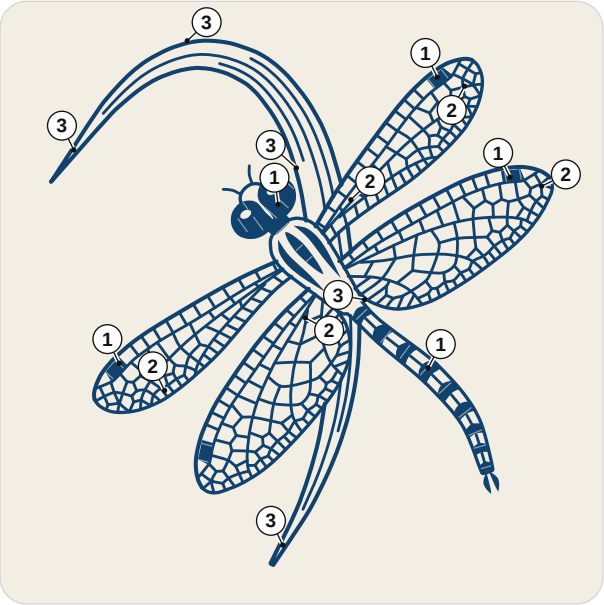
Bluework dragonfly with veined wings

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.4 × 4.6 in (11.2 × 11.7 cm)



A number is a row of the list.

Floss

DMC 796 Dark Royal Blue
Wing cells, main wing veins, wing edges, reed, reed rib, body, eyes, segment bands, thorax bands, wing spots, back line, neck, claspers, feelers and face

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

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

A water-soluble pen, and small scissors.

Onto the fabric

Fabric you can see through: page 2 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 2 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 3, 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.

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. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Wing spots, claspers, segment bands, thorax bands, neck, eyes



2. **Back stitch**
   2 strands: reed rib
   1 strand: wing cells, main wing veins, back line, feelers

Stitch in this order, continued

3. **Stem stitch**
   3 strands: reed
   2 strands: wing edges, body, face

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

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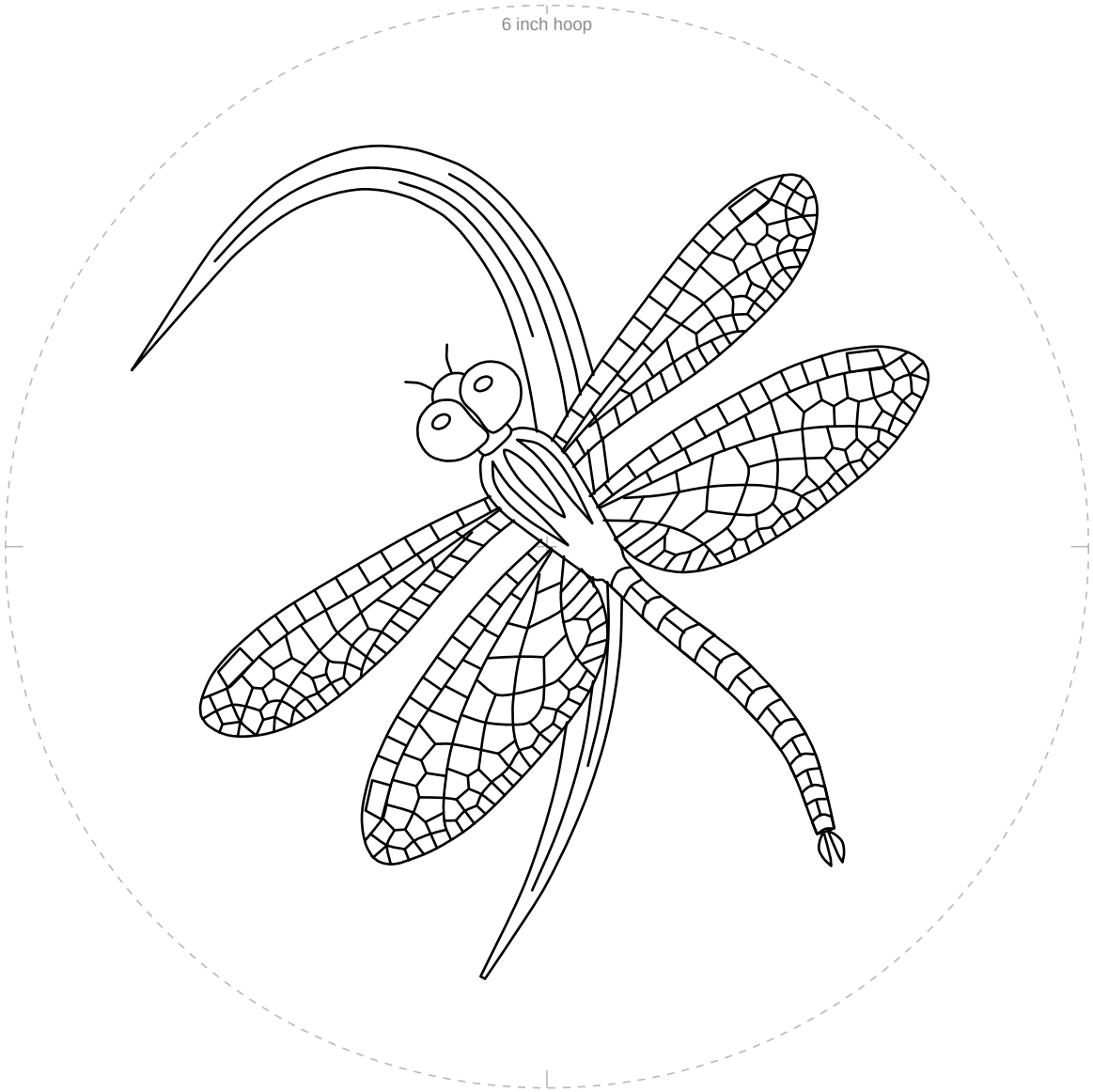
6 inch hoop

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.



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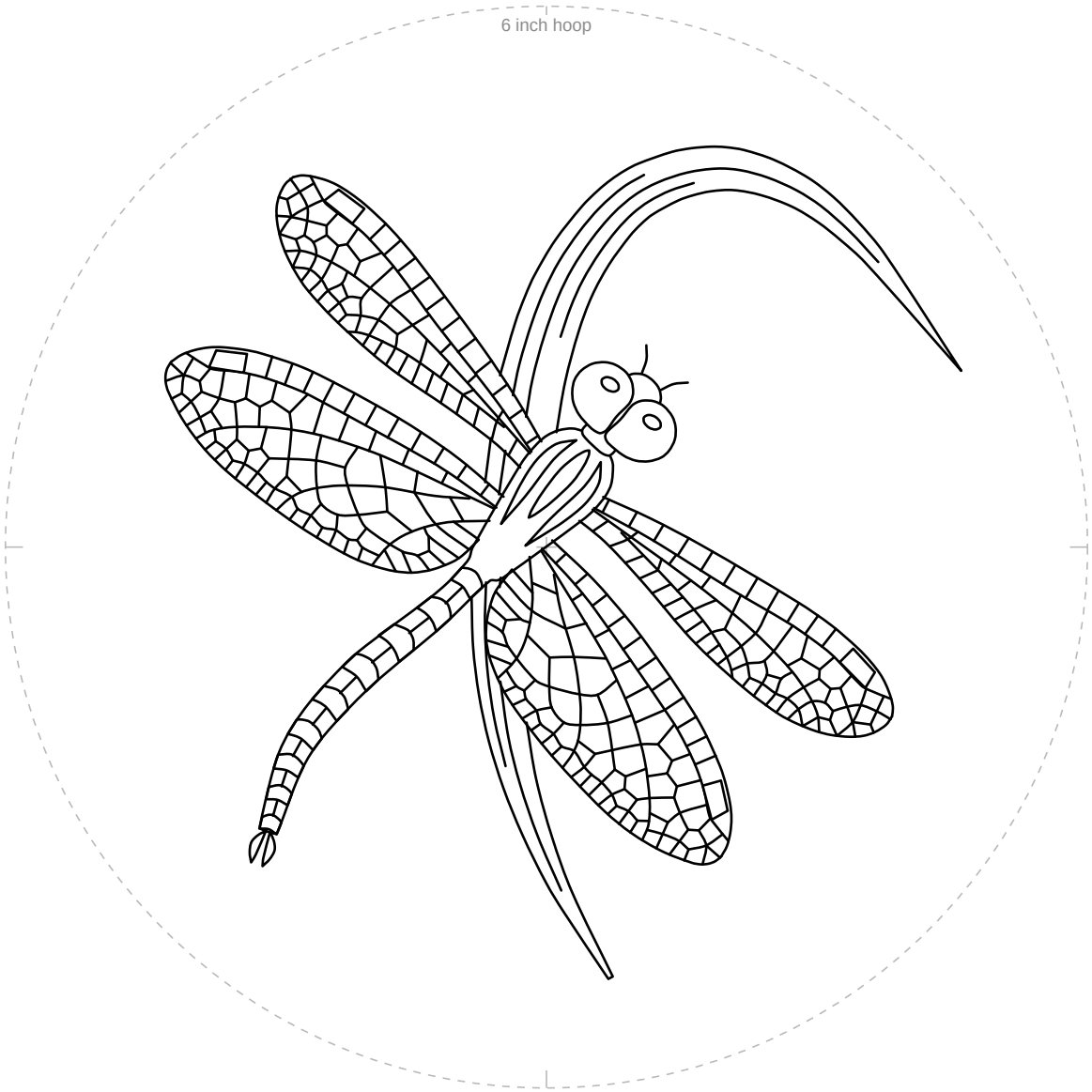
For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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