Boy shooting hoops at sunset

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.7 × 4.7 in (11.9 × 11.9 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Sky, clouds, sun glow, sun, headlands, sea, court, shadows, backboard, arms, legs, shorts, shirt, face, basketball
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Sun on the water, court line, pole, backboard edge, rim, hands, socks, shoes, soles, curls, face
3. **Fly stitch**, 2 strands
   Birds
4. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Sea grass, shoes, eye and brow, mouth
5. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Backboard lines, net
6. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Backboard edge, hands, shorts, shirt folds, face, basketball seams, basketball, sunlit edges
7. **Stem stitch**, 4 strands
   Edge
8. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Curls

Floss

- **1 DMC 3836 Light Grape**
  Sky (middle dark), sea (shade 3 of 7), headlands and pole (light), backboard (darker)
- **2 DMC 333 Very Dark Blue Violet**
  Sea (shade 1 of 7), sky (darkest), edge, headlands (dark) and 2 more parts
- **3 DMC 3746 Dark Blue Violet**
  Sky (dark), sea (shade 2 of 7), shorts (light)
- **4 DMC 3688 Medium Mauve**
  Sky (middle light), sea (shade 4 of 7), clouds (dark)
- **5 DMC 3341 Apricot** Sky (lightest), sea (shade 6 of 7), clouds (light)
- **6 DMC 3854 Medium Autumn Gold**
  Sky (light), sun glow (darker), sea (shade 5 of 7), clouds (middle) and 2 more parts
- **7 DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow**
  Sun (darker), sun glow and sun on the water (lighter), sea (shade 7 of 7), sunlit edges
- **8 DMC 3823 Ultra Pale Yellow** Sun (lighter)
- **9 DMC 154 Very Dark Grape** Court (dark), shadows (lighter), birds
- **10 DMC 3835 Medium Grape** Court (light), headlands (middle)
- **11 DMC 3777 Very Dark Terra Cotta**
  Court (middle), basketball (dark), rim (darker)
- **12 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Backboard and shoes (lighter), net, court line, socks and soles, shorts (lightest)
- **13 DMC 939 Very Dark Navy Blue**
  Sea grass and shadows (darker), shorts (darkest), pole (dark)
- **14 DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green** Sea grass (lighter)
- **15 DMC 321 Red** Shoes (darker), backboard lines
- **16 DMC 970 Light Pumpkin** Basketball (middle), rim (lighter)
- **17 DMC 898 Very Dark Coffee Brown**
  Face, legs and arms (dark), hands (middle)
- **18 DMC 3371 Black Brown**
  Curls and basketball seams, legs, arms and face (darkest) and 3 more parts
- **19 DMC 433 Medium Brown** Legs, hands, arms and face (light)
- **20 DMC 435 Very Light Brown** Arms, face and legs (lightest)
- **21 DMC 336 Navy Blue** Shorts (dark)
- **22 DMC 806 Medium Dark Wedgwood** Shirt (middle)
- **23 DMC 3765 Very Dark Peacock Blue** Shirt (dark), shirt folds
- **24 DMC 597 Turquoise** Shirt (light)

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.

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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.

Each small ring is one French knot. A fine broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.

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.



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How many strands

Straight stitch. 2 strands: sea grass, shoes, eye and brow; 1 strand: mouth.
Split stitch. 2 strands: basketball seams, sunlit edges; 1 or 2 strands: shorts; 1 strand: backboard edge, hands, shirt folds, face, basketball.

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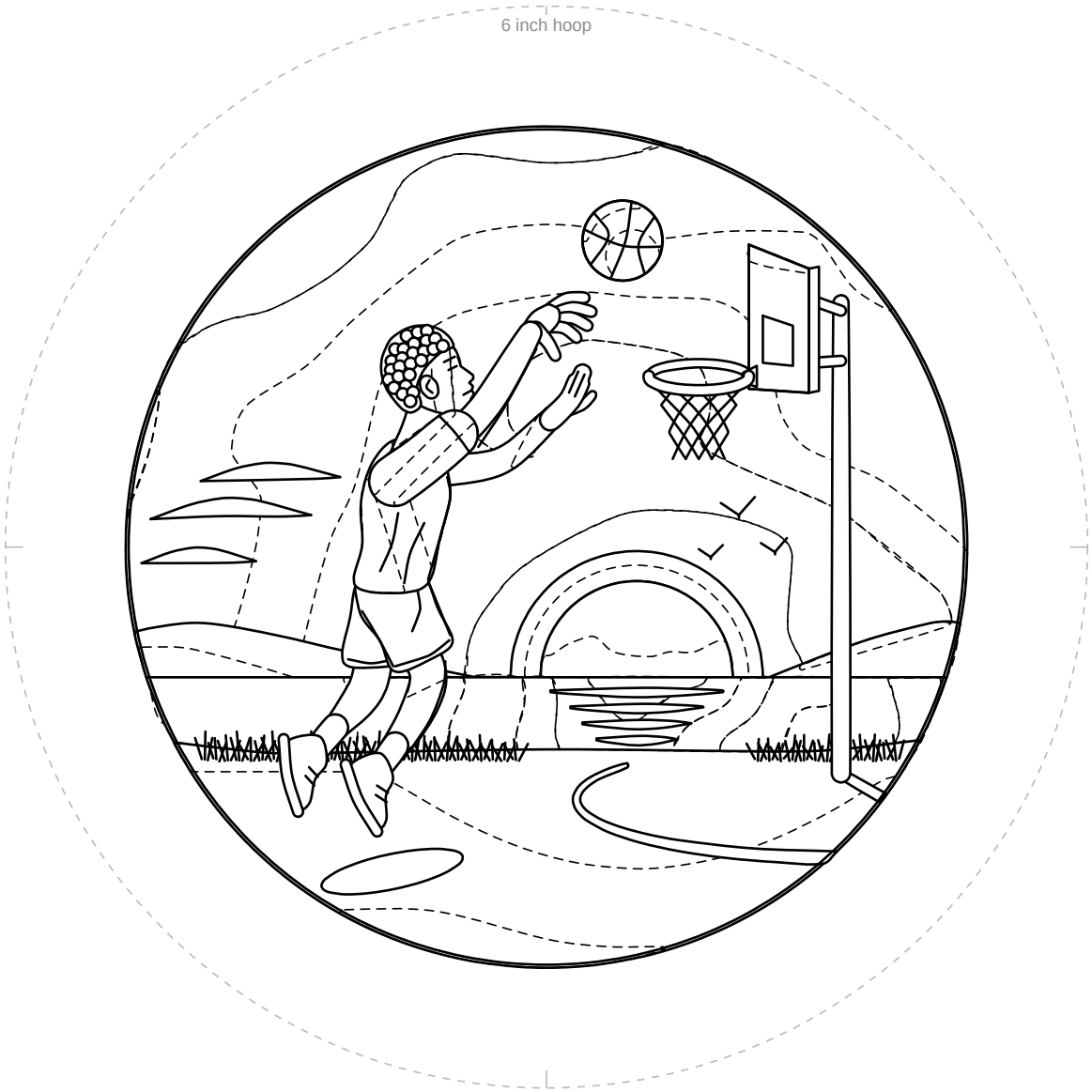
Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

Check square: 1 inch (25.4 mm) on each side.
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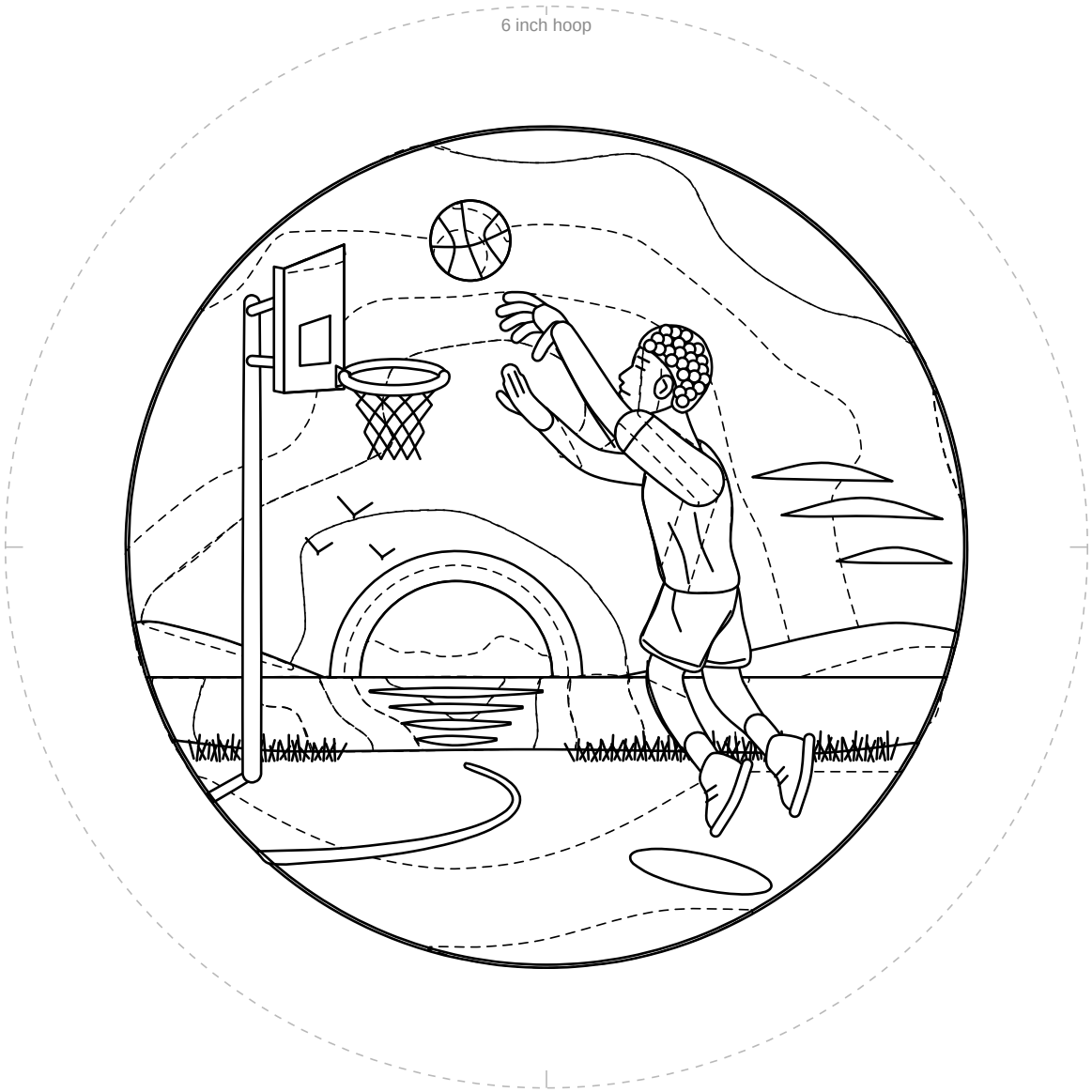
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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