Butterfly on a flower stem, pen sketch

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 3.4 × 4.8 in (8.6 × 12.2 cm).



Which color goes where.

Floss

- **DMC 350 Medium Coral**
  Petals, cone, wing spots, bud petals and petal veins
- **DMC 3346 Hunter Green**
  Leaves, stem, leaf veins and bud cup
- **DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue**
  Wing veins, hindwing, forewing, body, far wing and antennae and 5 more parts

Stitches

- **Back stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Petals, bud petals, bud cup, far wing, body, head, wing veins, antennae, tongue, legs
- **Running stitch**, 1 strand
  Petal veins, leaf veins
- **Stem stitch**, 2 to 3 strands
  Cone, stem, leaves, forewing, hindwing
- **Straight stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Cone, body bands
- **Lazy daisy stitch**, 2 strands
  Wing spots
- **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
  Eye, antennae

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 2 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 2 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on**
   Go over the lines of page 3, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron.

Pages 2 and 3 are the pattern at actual size. Print them at 100% with scaling turned off.

Work it in this order

1. Stitch the filled parts first, what lies behind before what lies in front of it.
2. Then stitch the lines: stems, veins and outlines over the edges of the filled parts.
3. Keep the knots for the end, so that the hoop and your hand do not flatten them.

The thread
Start each thread with a small knot on the back or one of the knotless starts, and end it by running the needle under the backs of a few stitches.

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6 inch hoop

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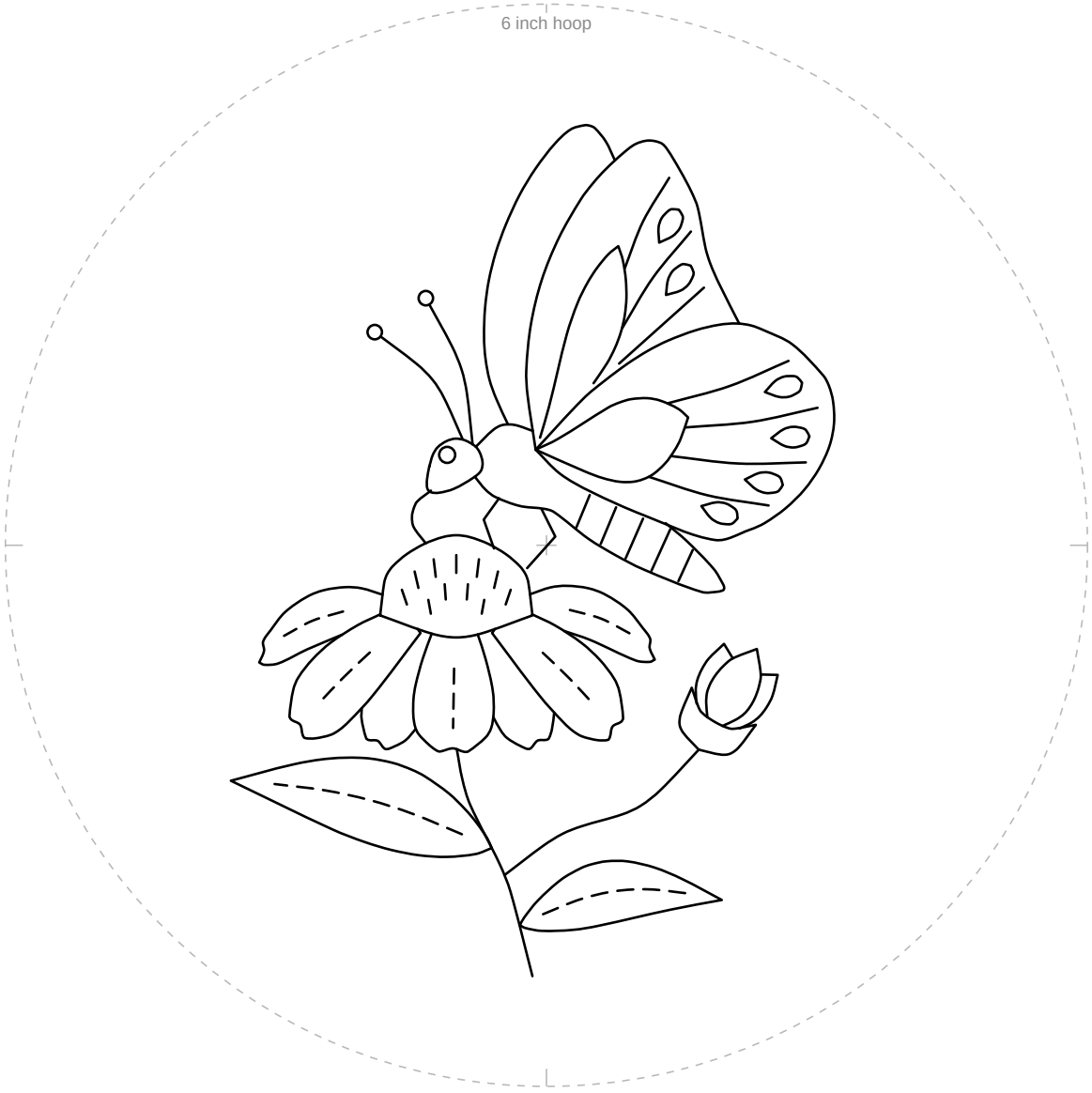

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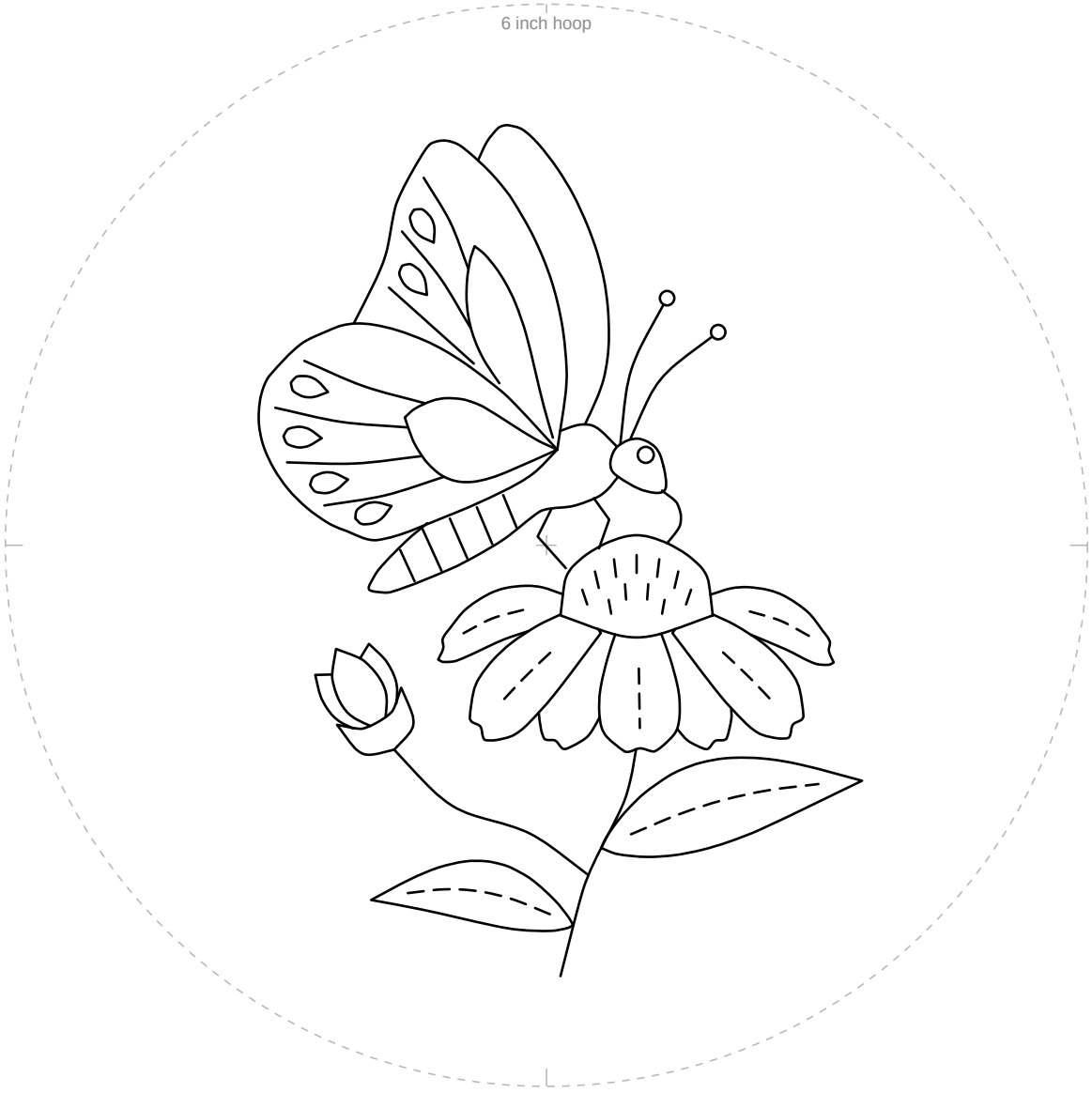
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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