Byzantine goldwork with vine scrolls

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



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: navy cotton or linen.

Three ways onto dark fabric

1. **Light shines through it**
   Lay page 3 on a bright light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a white marking pencil or pen.
2. **No light shines through**
   Print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, smooth it onto fabric that can be washed, stitch through both and rinse it away.
3. **White or yellow carbon paper**
   Lay it colored side down on the fabric with page 3 on top, tape the layers and trace firmly with a ballpoint pen. Go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Page 3 is the pattern at actual size (page 4 is its mirror, for an iron-on pen on a light fabric). Print it at 100% with scaling turned off. Then put the fabric in the hoop: inner ring under, drawing up, tight as a drum.

Floss

- **1 DMC 783 Medium Topaz**
  Gold ring and leaf stalks, pointed leaves, rosette petals and tendrils (darker)
- **2 DMC 3821 Straw**
  Vine scrolls, pointed leaves and rosette petals (lighter) and 3 more parts
- **3 DMC 304 Medium Red**
  Vine contours, ring contours, leaf contours and petal contours and 2 more parts
- **4 DMC 712 Cream**
  Pearls and grape lights
- **5 DMC 3831 Dark Raspberry**
  Grapes (darker)
- **6 DMC 3848 Medium Teal Green**
  Grapes (lighter)

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Grapes
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Scroll leaves, rosette heart
3. **Couching**, 3 strands
   Gold ring, rosette petals, pointed leaves, vine scrolls, rosette heart
4. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Petal contours, leaf contours, vine contours, heart contour, ring contours
5. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Leaf stalks, tendrils
6. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand
   Grape lights
7. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Pearls

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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 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

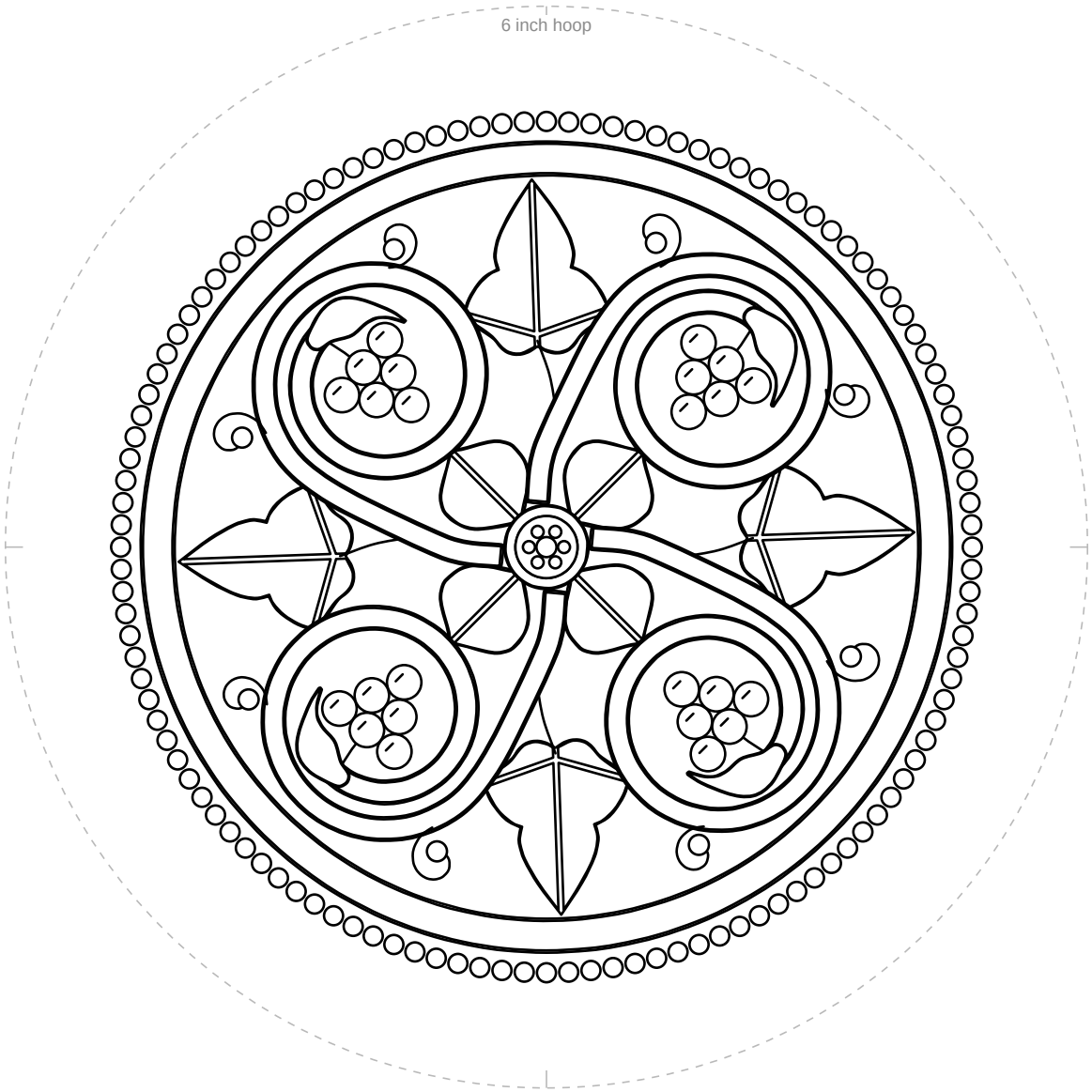
Split stitch. 2 strands: petal contours, vine contours, heart contour, ring contours; 1 or 2 strands: leaf contours.
Stem stitch. 4 strands: leaf stalks; 3 strands: tendrils.

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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

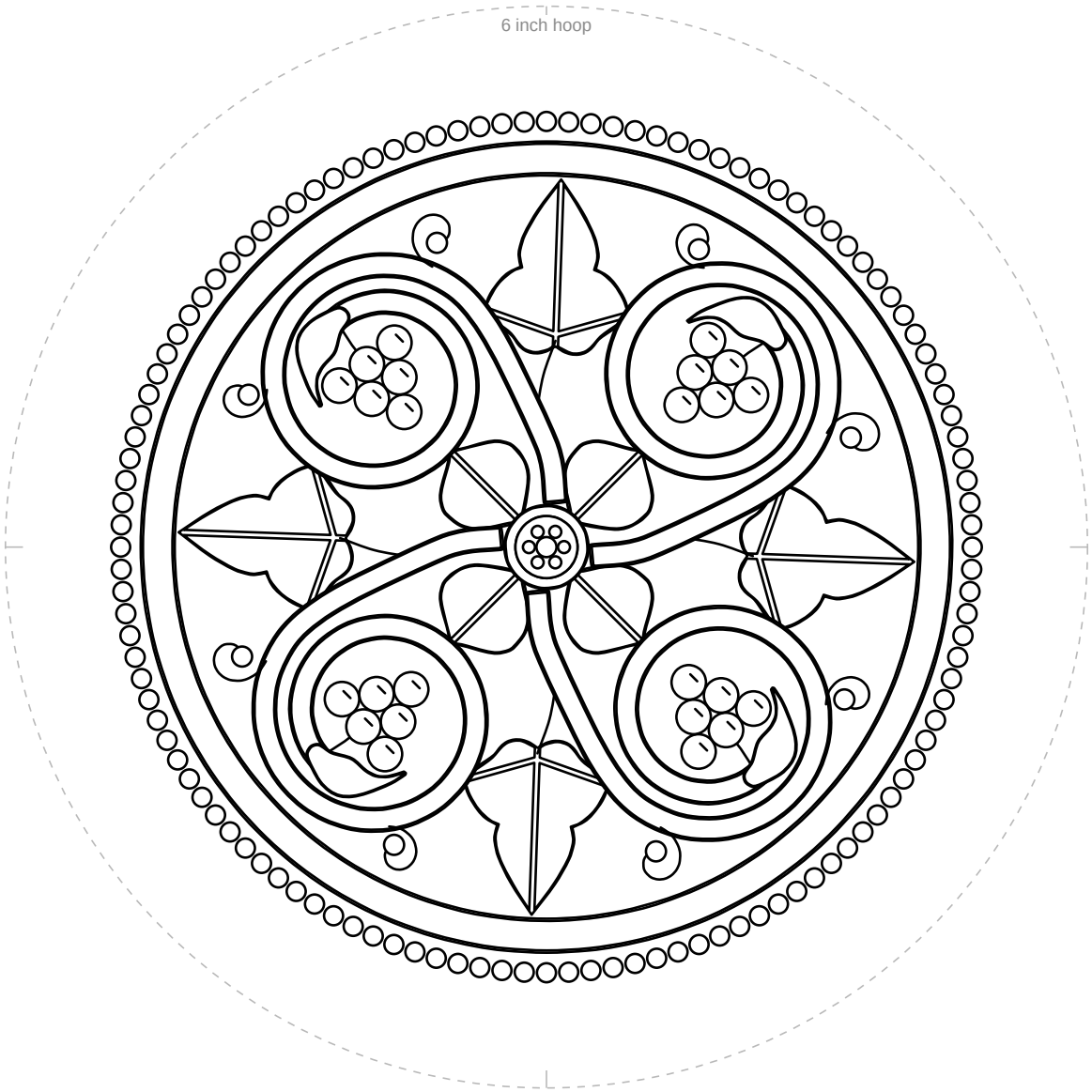
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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