Chinese lotus and butterfly

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.7 × 4.5 in (11.9 × 11.4 cm).



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Couching**, 3 to 6 strands
  Stems, antennae
- **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Lotus petals, calyxes, bud petals, lotus leaves, leaf eyes, seed pod, waves, butterfly wings, butterfly body, butterfly head
- **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
  Seeds, wing spots

In a 6 inch hoop the French knots are drawn smaller than about 2 mm (a little over 1/16 in). Use one strand of floss for them there, or choose a larger hoop.

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.

Floss

- **DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Stems, antennae and butterfly body (lighter), leaf eyes and butterfly head
- **DMC 351 Coral**
  Lotus petals and bud petals (dark), stems, butterfly body and antennae (darker)
- **DMC 347 Very Dark Salmon**
  Lotus petals and bud petals (darkest), seeds
- **DMC 712 Cream**
  Lotus petals and bud petals (lightest), waves (light), wing spots
- **DMC 353 Peach**
  Lotus petals and bud petals (light)
- **DMC 503 Medium Blue Green**
  Lotus leaves and seed pod (light), calyxes
- **DMC 352 Light Coral**
  Bud petals (middle)
- **DMC 3809 Very Dark Turquoise**
  Lotus leaves and seed pod (darkest)
- **DMC 3848 Medium Teal Green**
  Lotus leaves and seed pod (dark)
- **DMC 504 Very Light Blue Green**
  Seed pod and lotus leaves (lightest)
- **DMC 334 Medium Baby Blue**
  Waves (dark)
- **DMC 3325 Light Baby Blue**
  Waves (middle)
- **DMC 3836 Light Grape**
  Butterfly wings (light)
- **DMC 597 Turquoise**
  Butterfly wings (middle)
- **DMC 3834 Dark Grape**
  Butterfly wings (dark)

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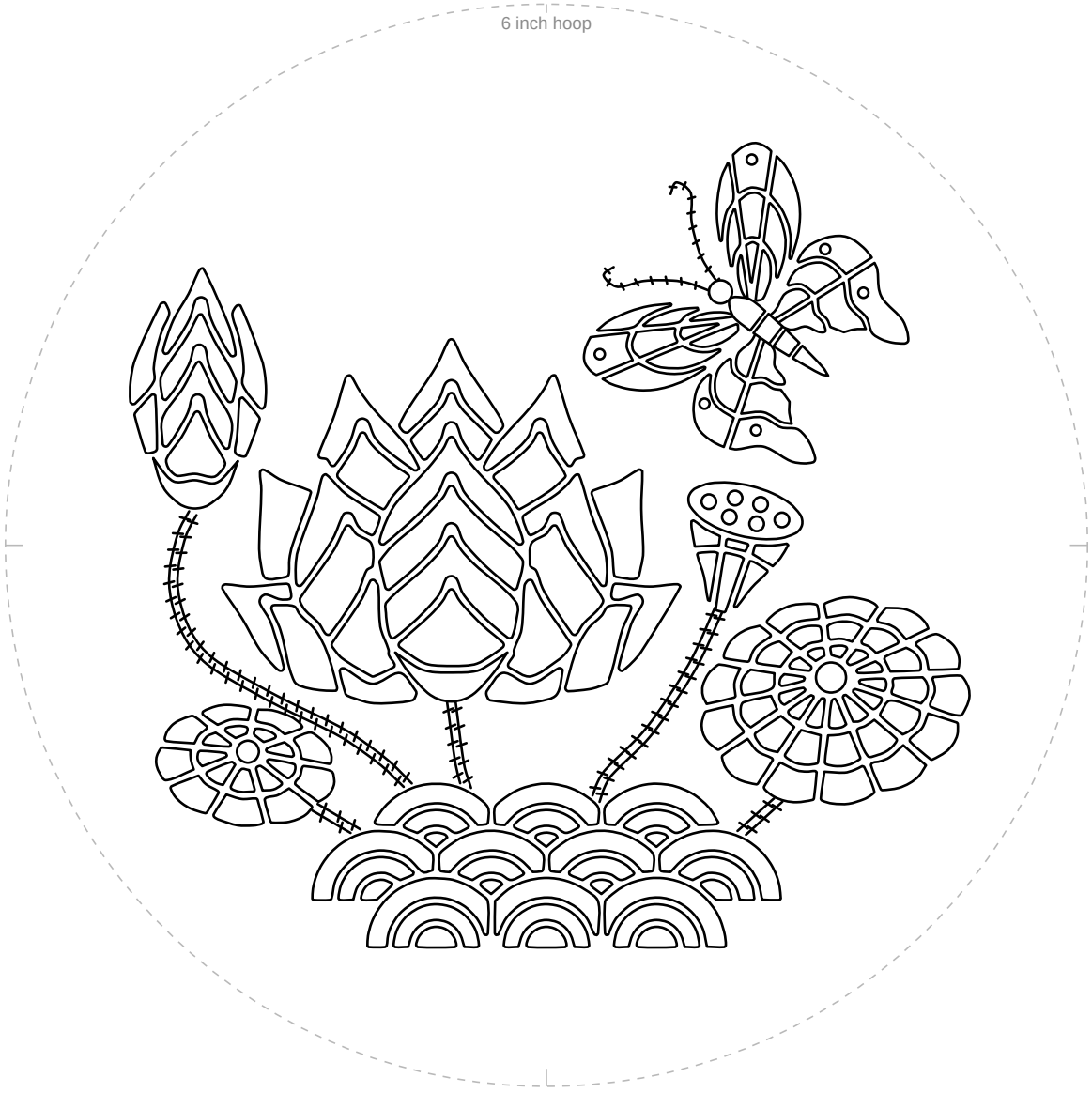

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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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