Clay pigeon target breaking

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.6 × 4.5 in (11.7 × 11.4 cm).



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

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Sunburst rays, broken edges, rim, step, crown ring, flash, flash heart, chips, shell hulls, shell brass
2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Glow, dome, crown, shell hulls, shell brass
3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Laurel leaves
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Rim ridge, laurel stems
5. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Laurel stems
6. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Shell lines

Floss

- **1 DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Sunburst rays (darker), shell brass (middle), ray knots
- **2 DMC 3822 Light Straw**
  Glow (darker), sunburst rays (lighter), shell brass (light), flash heart
- **3 DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow** Glow (lighter)
- **4 DMC 310 Black**
  Broken edges and step, chips (dark)
- **5 DMC 946 Medium Burnt Orange**
  Rim, dome (dark), crown (darker), chips (middle)
- **6 DMC 970 Light Pumpkin**
  Dome (middle), crown (lighter), chips (light)
- **7 DMC 741 Medium Tangerine** Dome (light)
- **8 DMC 742 Light Tangerine** Dome (lightest)
- **9 DMC 900 Dark Burnt Orange**
  Crown ring and rim ridge, dome (darkest)
- **10 DMC 3865 Winter White** Flash
- **11 DMC 895 Very Dark Hunter Green**
  Laurel stems
- **12 DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green**
  Laurel leaves (lighter)
- **13 DMC 3346 Hunter Green**
  Laurel leaves (darker)
- **14 DMC 815 Medium Garnet**
  Shell hulls (dark), berries and shell lines
- **15 DMC 666 Bright Red** Shell hulls (light)
- **16 DMC 321 Red** Shell hulls (middle)
- **17 DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz**
  Shell brass (dark)

Stitches, continued

7. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Ray knots, berries

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

Stem stitch. 4 strands: laurel stems; 2 strands: rim ridge.

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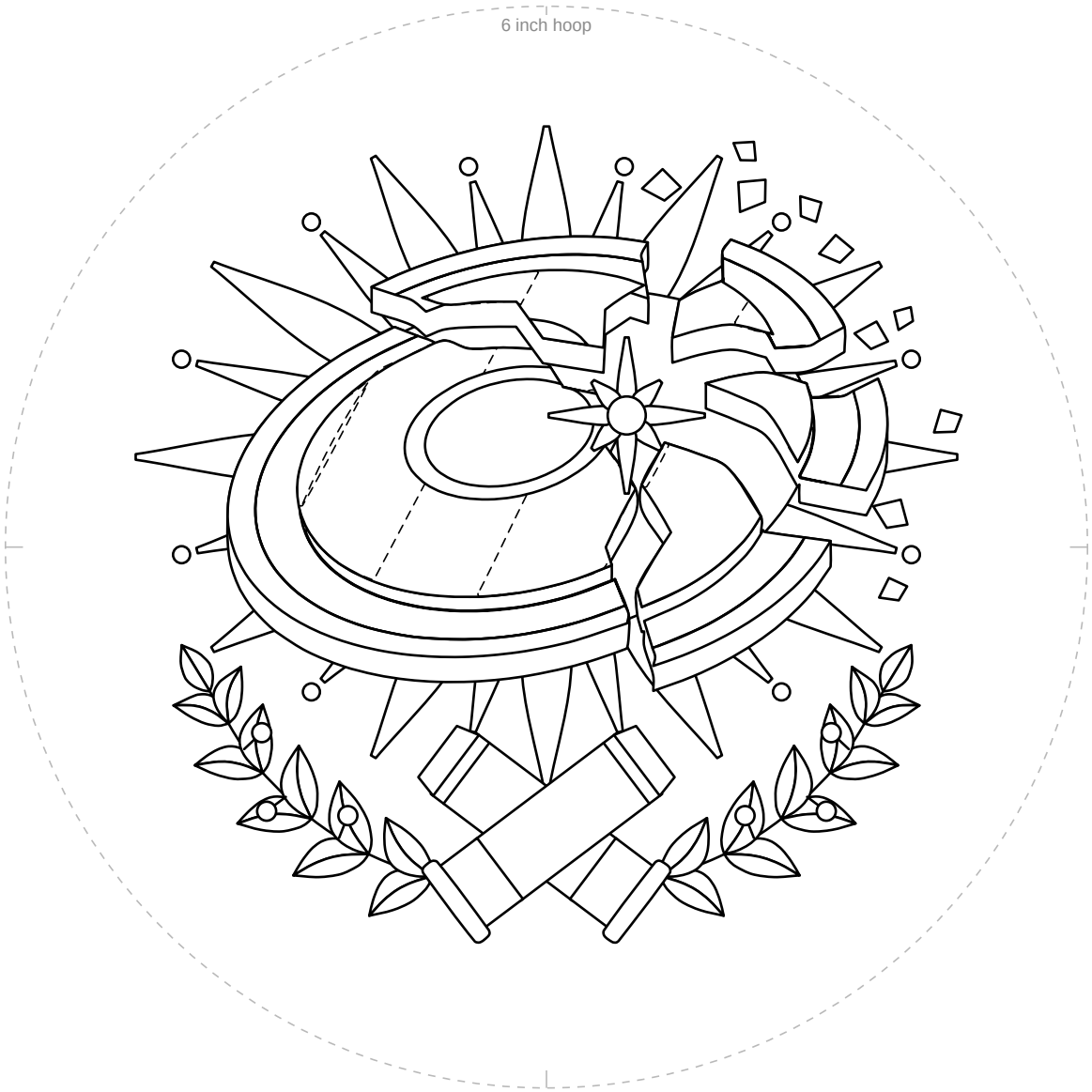
Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

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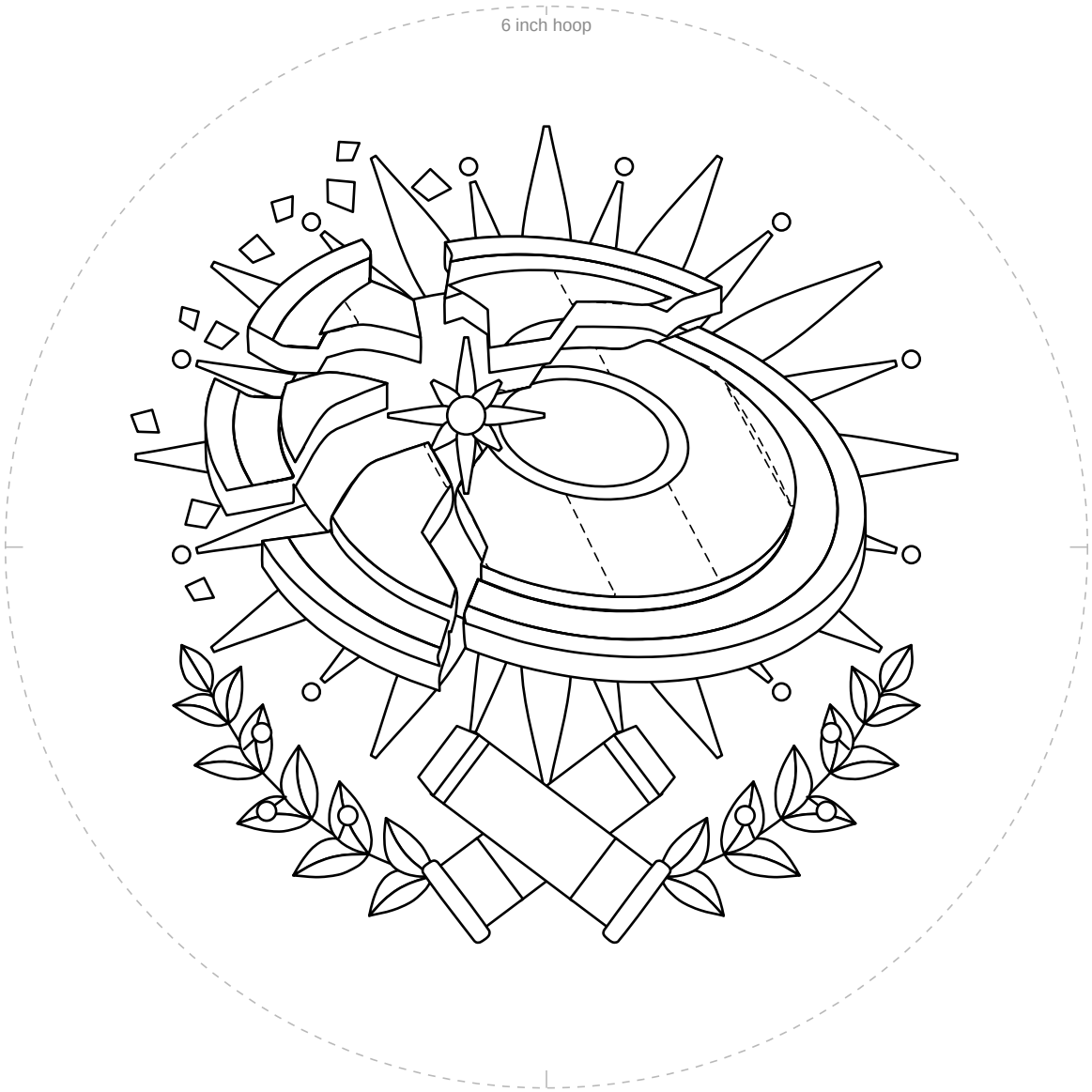
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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