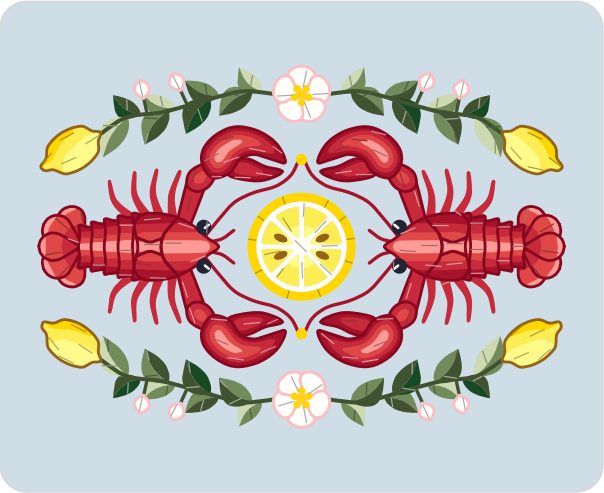
Crawfish and lemon border

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.7 × 3.2 in (11.9 × 8.1 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. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Buds, lemon rind, lemon pith, lemon wedges, pips, legs, tail rings, arms, eyes, blossoms
3. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Lemons, tail fan, arms, claws, shell
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Bough, bud stalks, feelers, shell lines
5. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Blossom edges, lemon edges, edges
6. **Straight stitch**, 3 strands
   Eye light
7. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Blossom hearts, feeler beads

Floss

- **1 DMC 3348 Light Yellow Green**
  Leaves (lightest)
- **2 DMC 988 Medium Forest Green** Leaves (light)
- **3 DMC 986 Very Dark Forest Green**
  Leaves (dark), bough and bud stalks
- **4 DMC 890 Ultra Dark Pistachio Green**
  Leaves (darkest)
- **5 DMC BLANC White**
  Blossoms, lemon pith, buds and eye light
- **6 DMC 3689 Light Mauve** Blossom edges
- **7 DMC 445 Light Lemon**
  Lemons (light), lemon wedges (lighter)
- **8 DMC 444 Dark Lemon**
  Lemon rind, blossom hearts and feeler beads, lemons (dark)
- **9 DMC 307 Lemon**
  Lemon wedges (darker), lemons (middle)
- **10 DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz**
  Lemon edges and pips
- **11 DMC 321 Red**
  Legs, arms (middle), claws, tail rings, shell and tail fan (dark)
- **12 DMC 350 Medium Coral**
  Tail rings, shell, claws and arms (light), tail fan (middle)
- **13 DMC 352 Light Coral**
  Tail rings, shell and claws (lightest), tail fan (light)
- **14 DMC 815 Medium Garnet**
  Edges and shell lines
- **15 DMC 498 Dark Red**
  Claws, tail rings and shell (darkest), feelers, arms (dark)
- **16 DMC 310 Black** Eyes

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

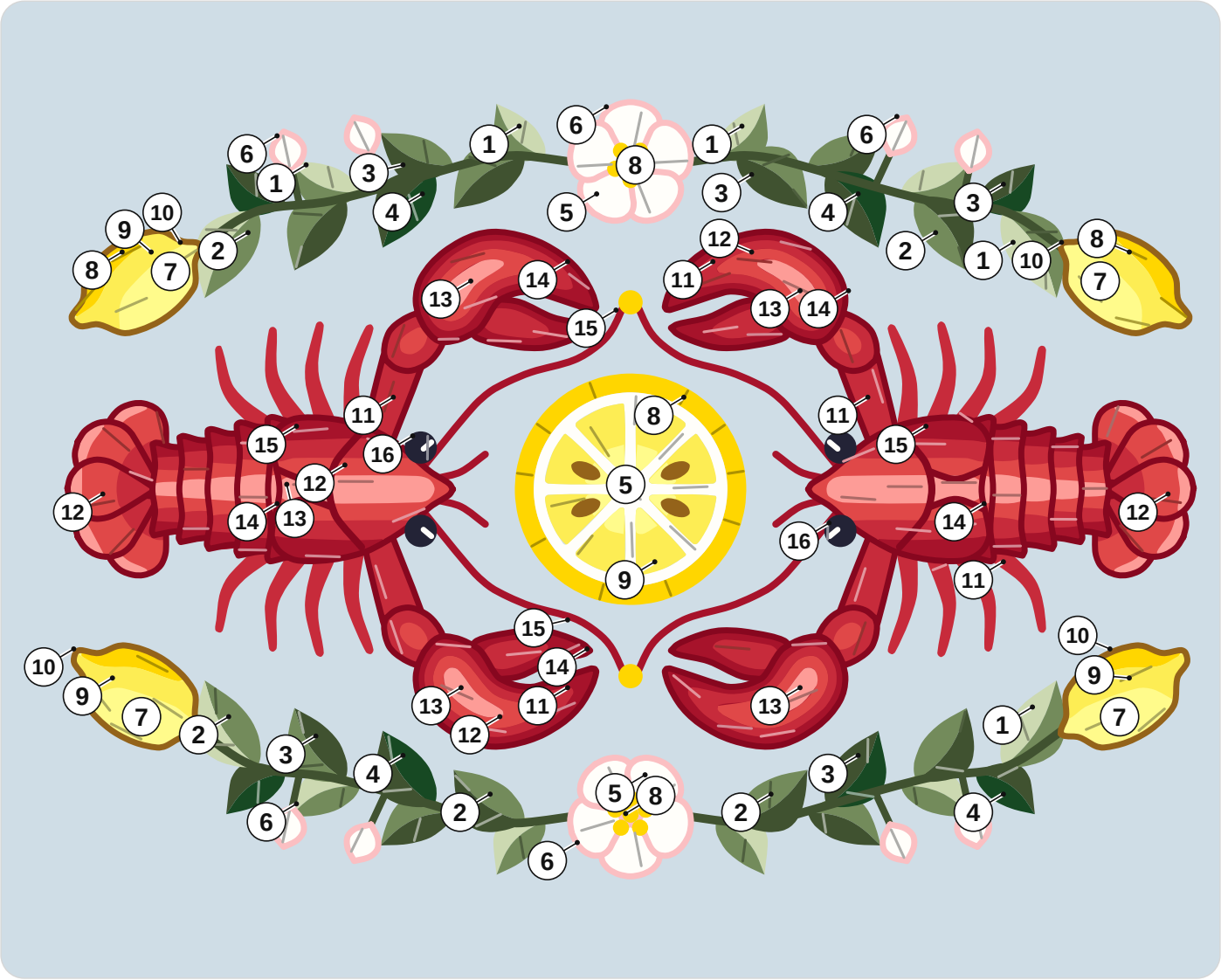
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

Begin with no knot on the back where it is seen and washed, as on a towel, a napkin or clothes; for a piece in a hoop a small knot is fine. End each thread by whipping it around the backs of four or five stitches, with one small hitch.

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

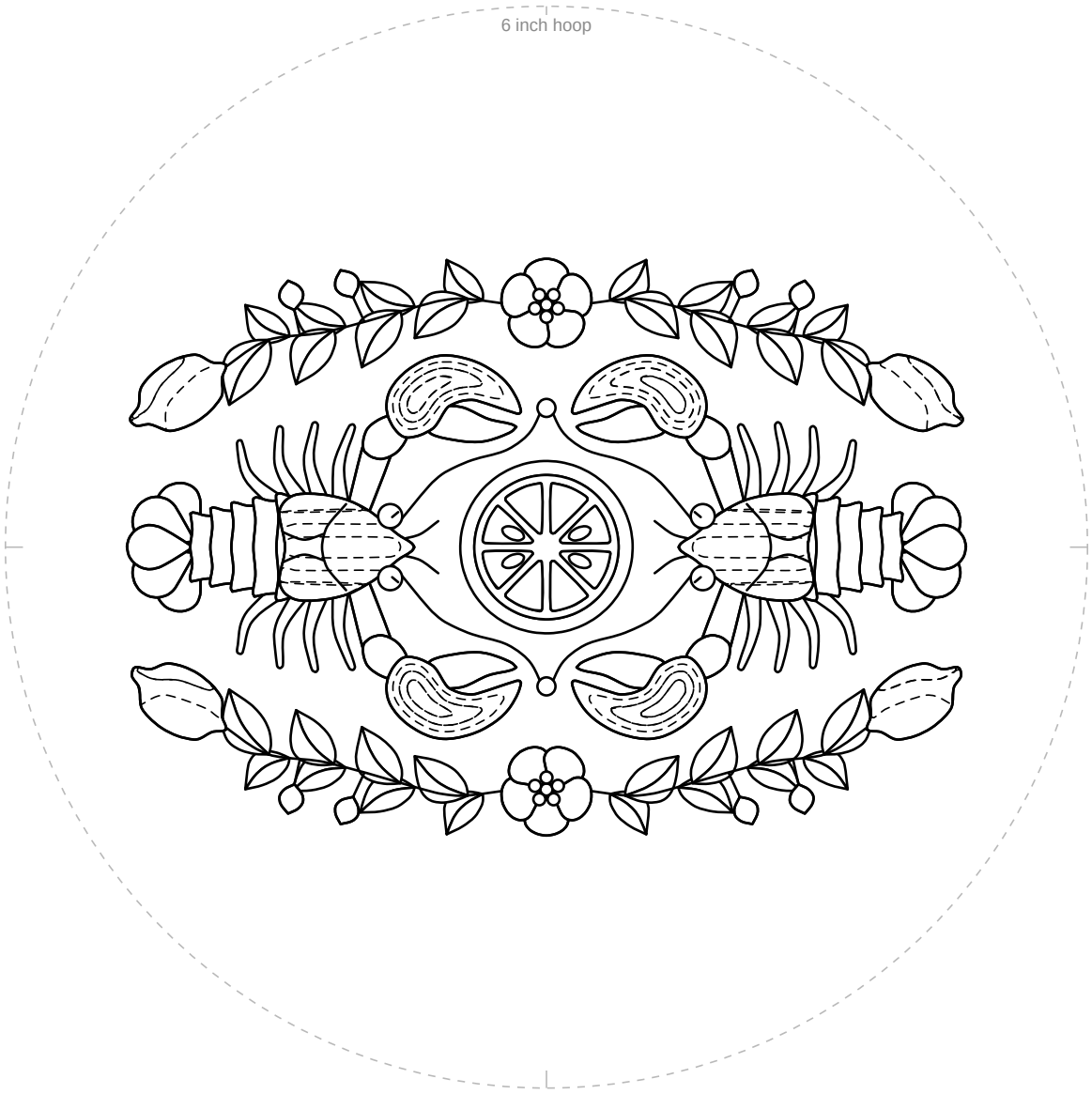
Stem stitch. 3 strands: bough; 2 strands: bud stalks, feelers; 1 or 2 strands: shell lines.
Split stitch. 2 strands: edges; 1 strand: blossom edges, lemon edges.

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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

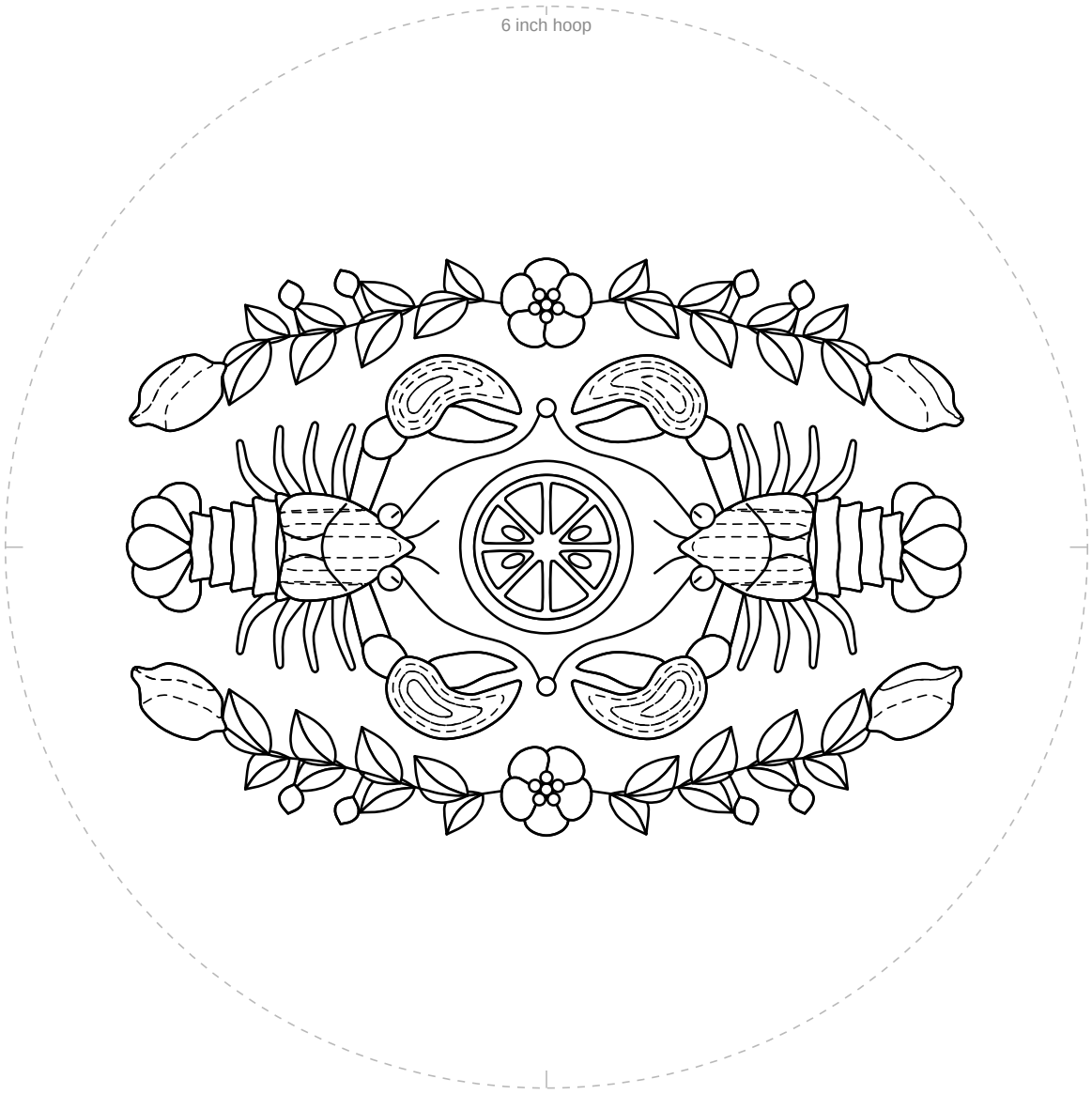
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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