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Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.7 × 4.2 in (11.9 × 10.7 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves
2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Strawberries, racquet frames
3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Strawberry caps, blossom sepals, blossoms, frame bands, collars, grips, butt caps, medallion ring, ball
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Stems, leaves, frame edges, ball seam
5. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Strawberry seeds
6. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Blossom edges
7. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Strings
8. **Whipped back stitch**, 2 strands
   Inner cord
9. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Blossom hearts

Floss

- 1 **DMC 3346 Hunter Green** Leaves (middle), stems
- 2 **DMC 895 Very Dark Hunter Green** Leaves (dark)
- 3 **DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green**
  Leaves (light), strawberry caps and blossom sepals
- 4 **DMC 3705 Dark Melon** Strawberries (light)
- 5 **DMC 815 Medium Garnet** Strawberries (dark)
- 6 **DMC 321 Red** Strawberries (middle)
- 7 **DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Inner cord, butt caps, strawberry seeds and blossom hearts, collars (lighter)
- 8 **DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Blossoms and grips (lighter), ball seam
- 9 **DMC 3024 Very Light Brown Gray**
  Blossom edges, blossoms (darker)
- 10 **DMC 647 Medium Beaver Gray** Strings
- 11 **DMC 437 Light Tan** Racquet frames (light)
- 12 **DMC 435 Very Light Brown**
  Racquet frames (dark)
- 13 **DMC 433 Medium Brown**
  Frame edges, racquet frames (darkest)
- 14 **DMC 738 Very Light Tan** Racquet frames (lightest)
- 15 **DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue**
  Medallion ring and frame bands, grips and collars (darker)
- 16 **DMC 907 Light Parrot Green** Ball

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

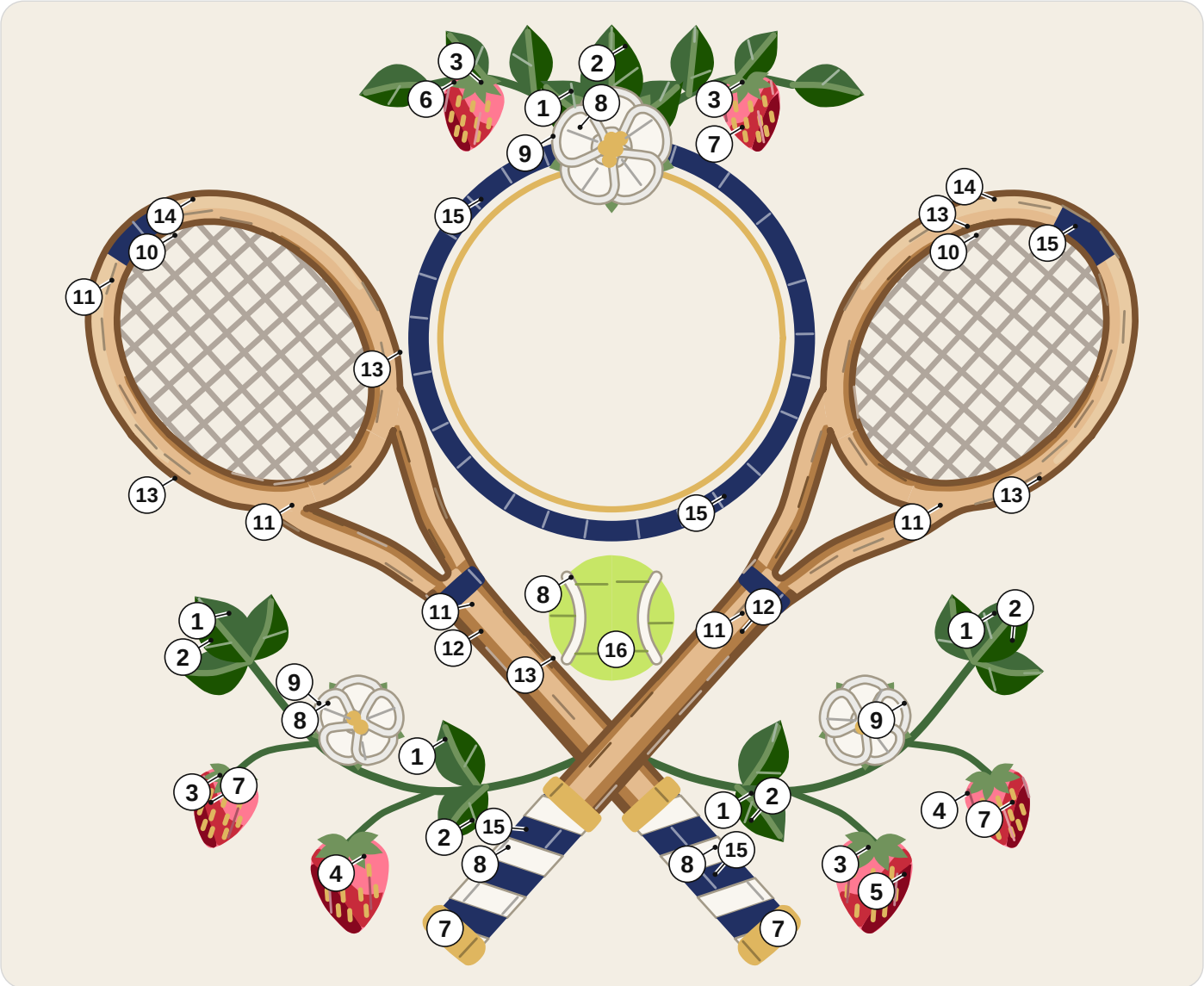
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

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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3	DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green	9	DMC 3024 Very Light Brown Gray	15	DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue
4	DMC 3705 Dark Melon	10	DMC 647 Medium Beaver Gray	16	DMC 907 Light Parrot Green
5	DMC 815 Medium Garnet	11	DMC 437 Light Tan		
6	DMC 321 Red	12	DMC 435 Very Light Brown		

How many strands

Stem stitch. 3 strands: ball seam; 2 or 3 strands: stems; 2 strands: frame edges; 1 strand: leaves.

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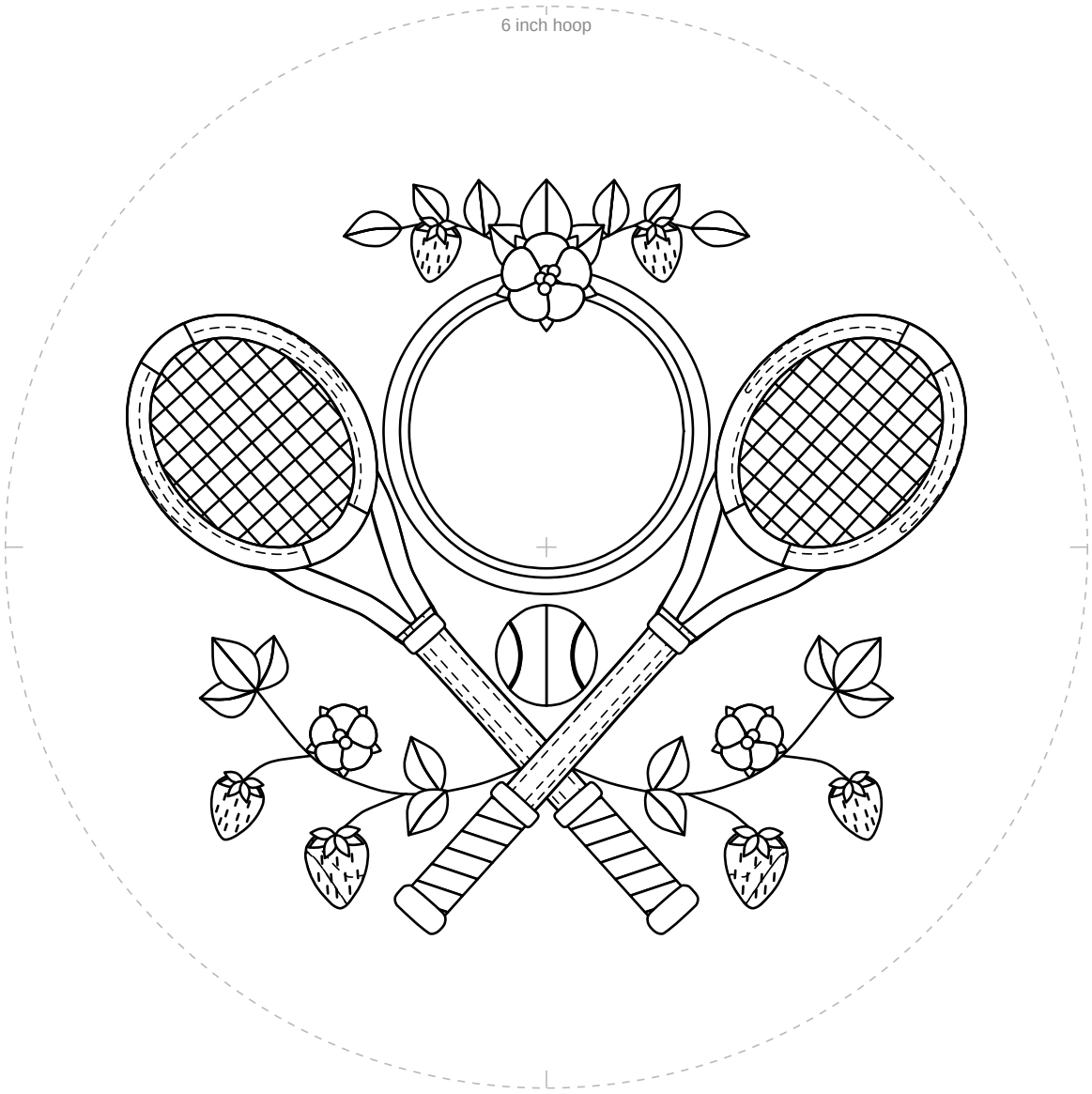
Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

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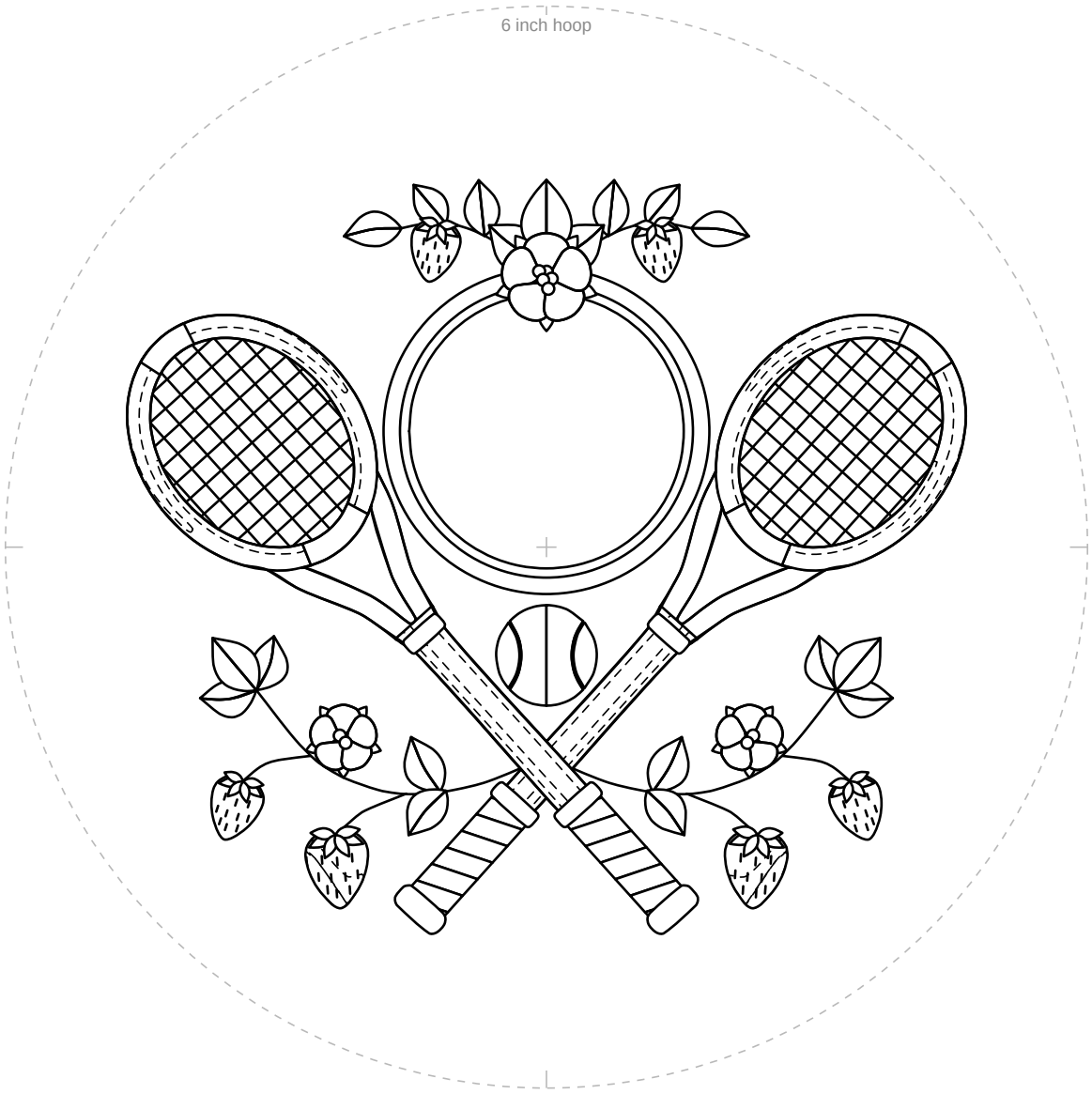
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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