Cumin plant in flower

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



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

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.

Floss

- **1 DMC 522 Fern Green** Thread leaves (lighter)
- **2 DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green**
  Rays and leaf sheaths, stems (middle)
- **3 DMC 3828 Hazelnut Brown**
  Loose seeds and seeds (darker), root and rootlets
- **4 DMC 3364 Pine Green** Pedicels, stems (light)
- **5 DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green** Stems (dark)
- **6 DMC 501 Dark Blue Green**
  Thread leaves (darker), bracts
- **7 DMC 3042 Light Antique Violet** Flowers (dark)
- **8 DMC 3688 Medium Mauve** Flowers (middle)
- **9 DMC 818 Baby Pink** Flowers (light)
- **10 DMC 3865 Winter White** Flowers (lightest)
- **11 DMC 3687 Mauve** Flowers (darkest)
- **12 DMC 433 Medium Brown**
  Seed ribs (middle), seed tips (darker)
- **13 DMC 3012 Medium Khaki Green**
  Seeds (lighter)
- **14 DMC 3011 Dark Khaki Green**
  Seed ribs (light), seed tips (lighter)
- **15 DMC 3822 Light Straw** Loose seeds (lighter)
- **16 DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown**
  Seed ribs (dark)

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaf sheaths, root, seeds, loose seeds
2. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Thread leaves, rootlets, stems, bracts, rays, seed ribs
3. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand
   Pedicels, seed ribs, seed tips
4. **French knot**, 1 to 2 strands, two wraps
   Flowers

What you need

Intermediate. A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, and a 9 inch (23 cm) square of plain cotton or linen, in sage green. Embroidery needle: size 9 for 1 strand, size 7 for 2 or 3 (a lower number is a thicker needle). Skeins: one of each color is enough. An estimate for the 6 inch hoop, from the length of each line and the area of each filled shape, with a fifth added for tails.

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6 inch hoop

How to read it

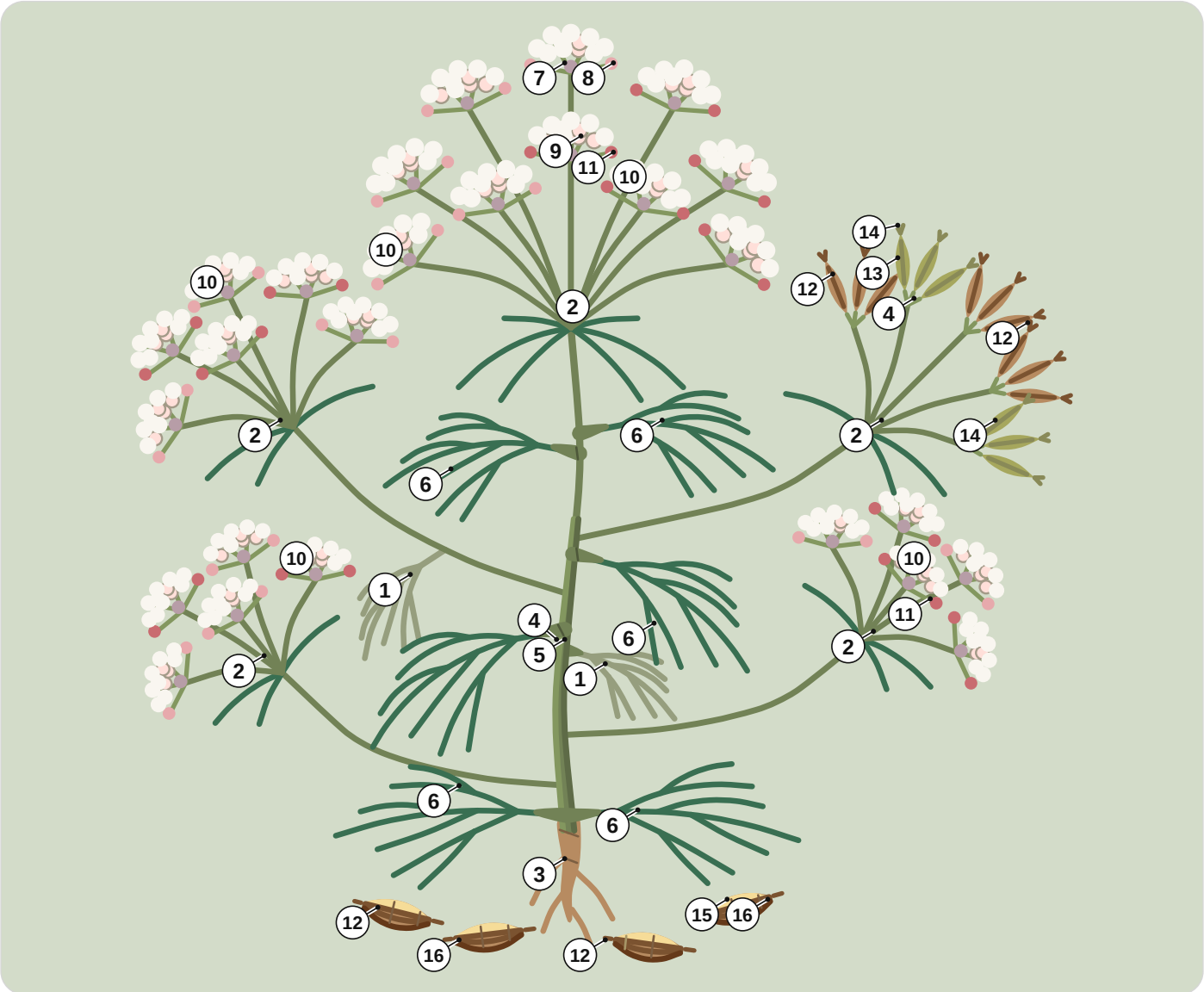
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

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 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

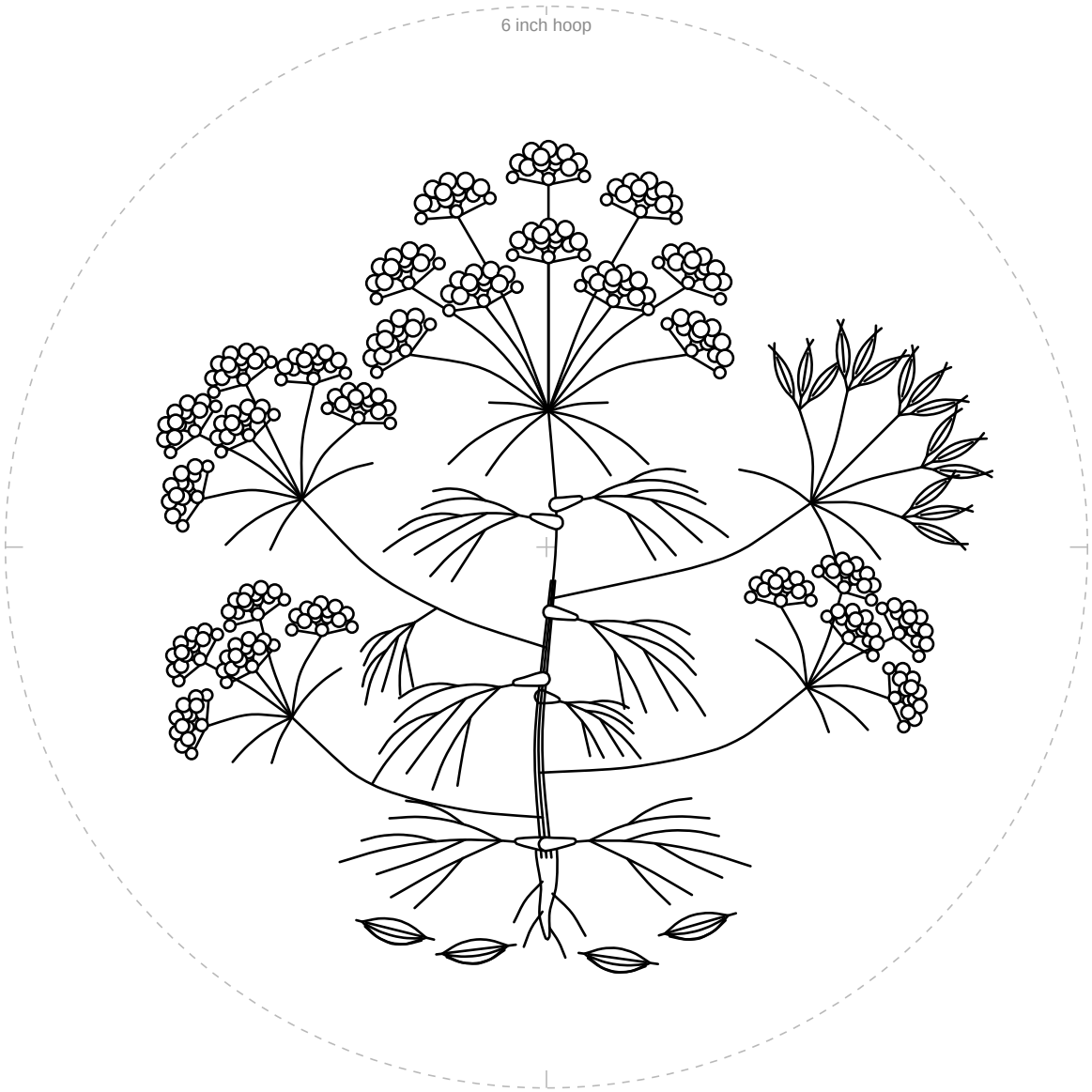
Stem stitch. 2 or 3 strands: stems; 1 or 2 strands: thread leaves; 1 strand: rootlets, bracts, rays, seed ribs.

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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.



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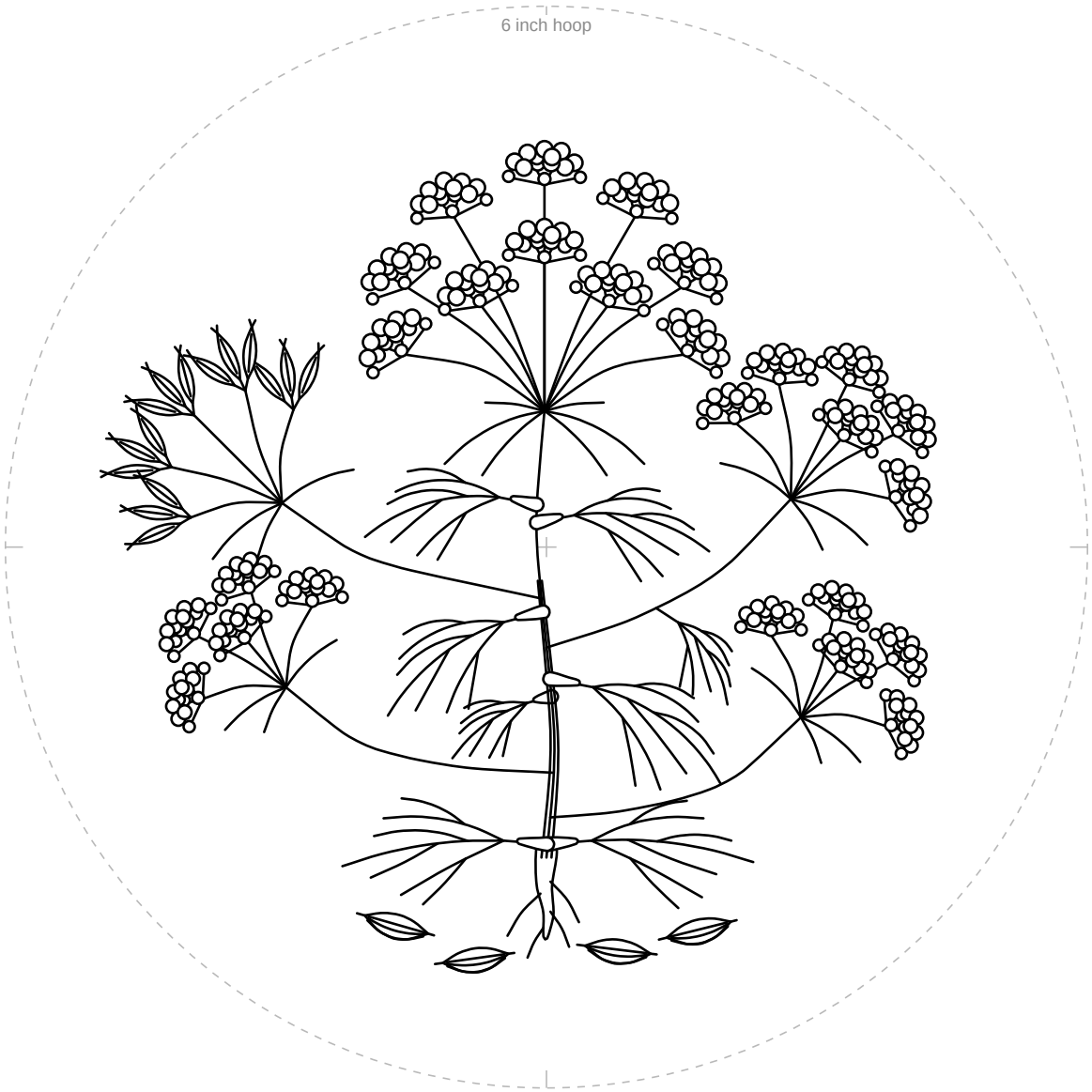
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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