Cygnus constellation, beads and sequins

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.1 × 4.1 in (10.4 × 10.4 cm).



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

Three ways onto dark fabric

1. **Light shines through it**
   Lay page 3 on a bright light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a white marking pencil or pen.
2. **No light shines through**
   Print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, smooth it onto fabric that can be washed, stitch through both and rinse it away.
3. **White or yellow carbon paper**
   Lay it colored side down on the fabric with page 3 on top, tape the layers and trace firmly with a ballpoint pen. Go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Page 3 is the pattern at actual size (page 4 is its mirror, for an iron-on pen on a light fabric). Print it 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 3325 Light Baby Blue**
  Wing sequins and feather sequins (middle), swan outline
- **2 DMC 783 Medium Topaz**
  Bill
- **3 DMC 162 Ultra Very Light Blue**
  Feather beads, wing sequins and feather sequins (light)
- **4 DMC 3755 Baby Blue**
  Wing sequins and feather sequins (dark)
- **5 DMC B5200 Snow White**
  Star sequins (lightest), sequin beads
- **6 DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray**
  Star sequins and lesser stars (light), star lines
- **7 DMC 318 Light Steel Gray**
  Star sequins (darkest), lesser stars (dark)
- **8 DMC 415 Pearl Gray**
  Star sequins (dark), lesser stars (middle)
- **9 DMC 3822 Light Straw**
  Eye

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Bill, feather sequins, wing sequins, star sequins, lesser stars



2. **Split stitch**
   strands by part on page 2
   Swan outline, bill, feather sequins, wing sequins, star sequins, lesser stars

3. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Star lines

4. **French knot**
   strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Feather beads, sequin beads, eye



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6 inch hoop

How to read it

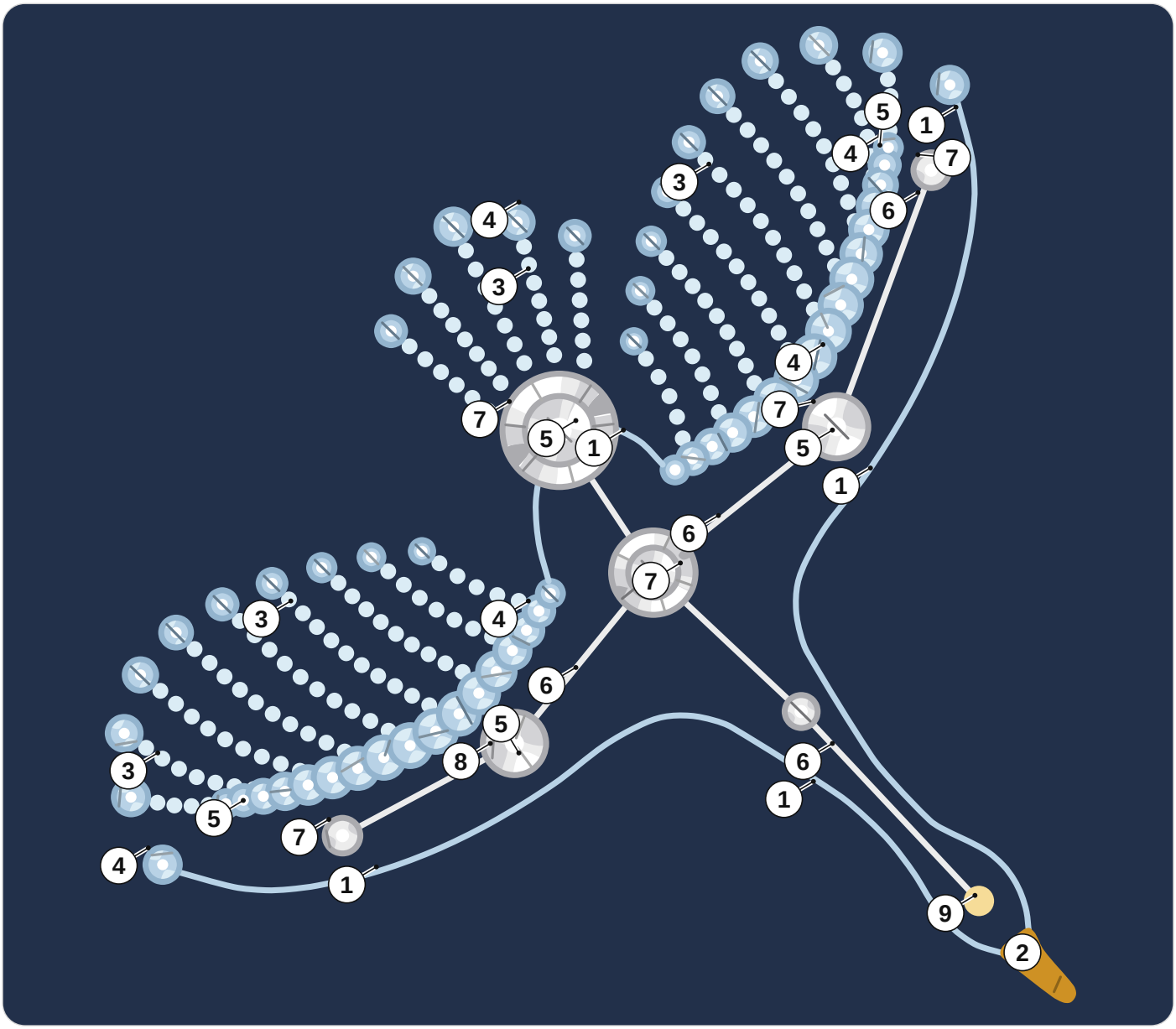
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

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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2	DMC 783 Medium Topaz	**5**	DMC B5200 Snow White	**8**	DMC 415 Pearl Gray
3	DMC 162 Ultra Very Light Blue	**6**	DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray	**9**	DMC 3822 Light Straw

How many strands

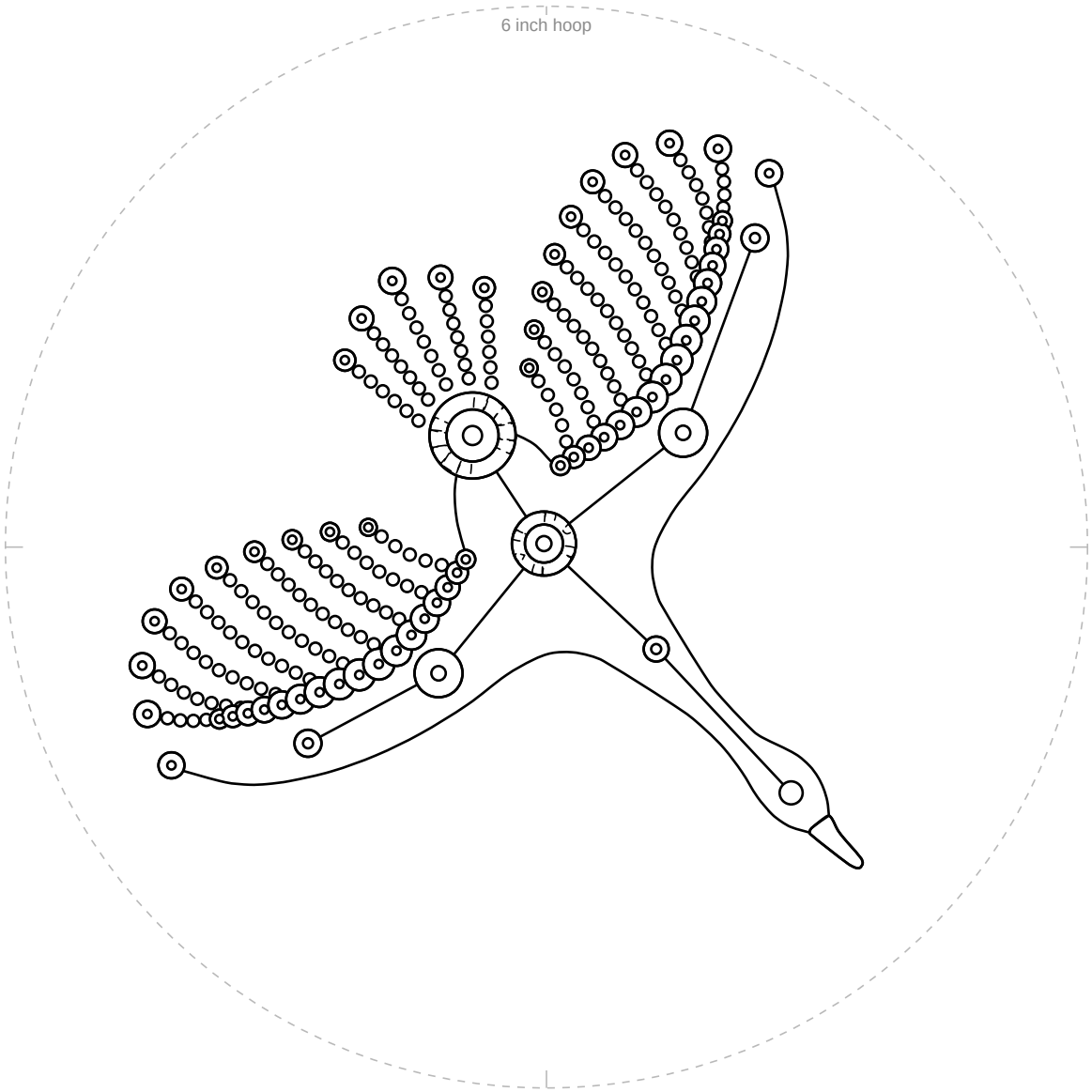
Split stitch. 2 strands: swan outline; 1 strand: bill, feather sequins, wing sequins, star sequins, lesser stars.
French knot. 2 strands: feather beads, eye; 1 or 2 strands: sequin beads.

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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

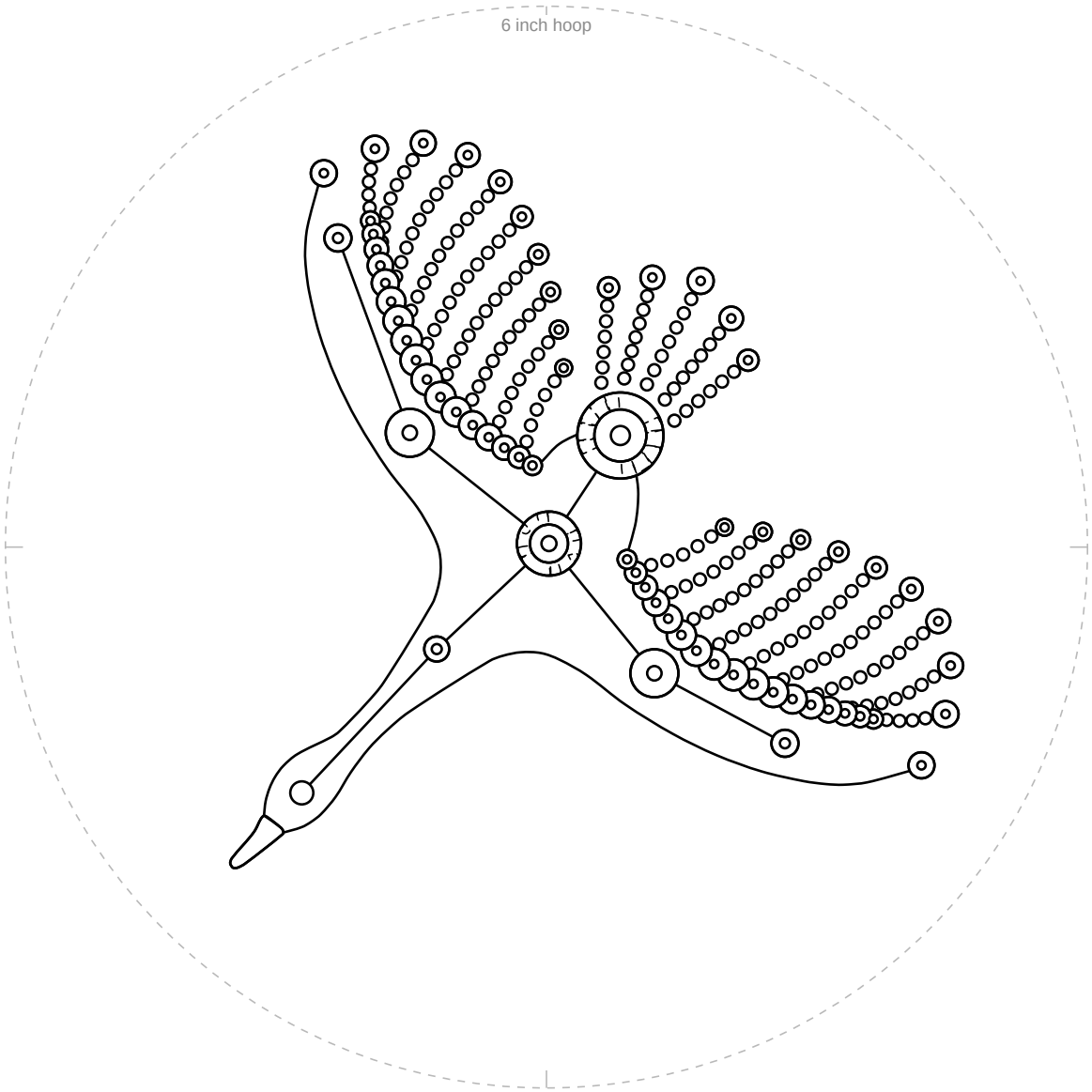
Check square: 1 inch (25.4 mm) on each side.
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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