Daisy kite with a bow

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.2 × 4 in (10.7 × 10.2 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: pale blue cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of pale blue cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

17 colors of floss (page 2): one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes).

A water-soluble pen, and small scissors.

Onto the fabric

Fabric you can see through: page 3 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 4, the mirrored page, and press it ink side down as the pen's packet says. The lines stay.

Then hoop it, inner ring under, tight as a drum.

How to read it

Floss has six strands: cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number named one at a time, and lay them together.

Start a filling with tiny stitches, a line with a small knot; end under stitches on the back.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches.

New to this: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Split stitch**, 2 strands
   Kite line

2. **Stem stitch**
   3 strands: daisy stems
   2 strands: fine grasses

3. **Whipped back stitch**, 2 strands
   Kite tail

4. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Daisy leaves



5. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Kite sail, kite daisy petals



6. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands: kite hem, daisy center, daisy buds, daisy cups, daisy petals, daisy centers, bow tails, bow loops, bow folds, bow knots
   1 strand: grass blades



7. **Stem stitch**
   3 strands: spars
   2 strands: kite edge

8. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Petal edges, lines of the bridle

9. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Knots of the daisy center, knots of the bridle, knots of the daisy centers



Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop or sew a pillow.

In a 6 inch hoop the French knots are drawn smaller than about 2 mm (a little over 1/16 in). Use one strand of floss for them there, or choose a larger hoop.

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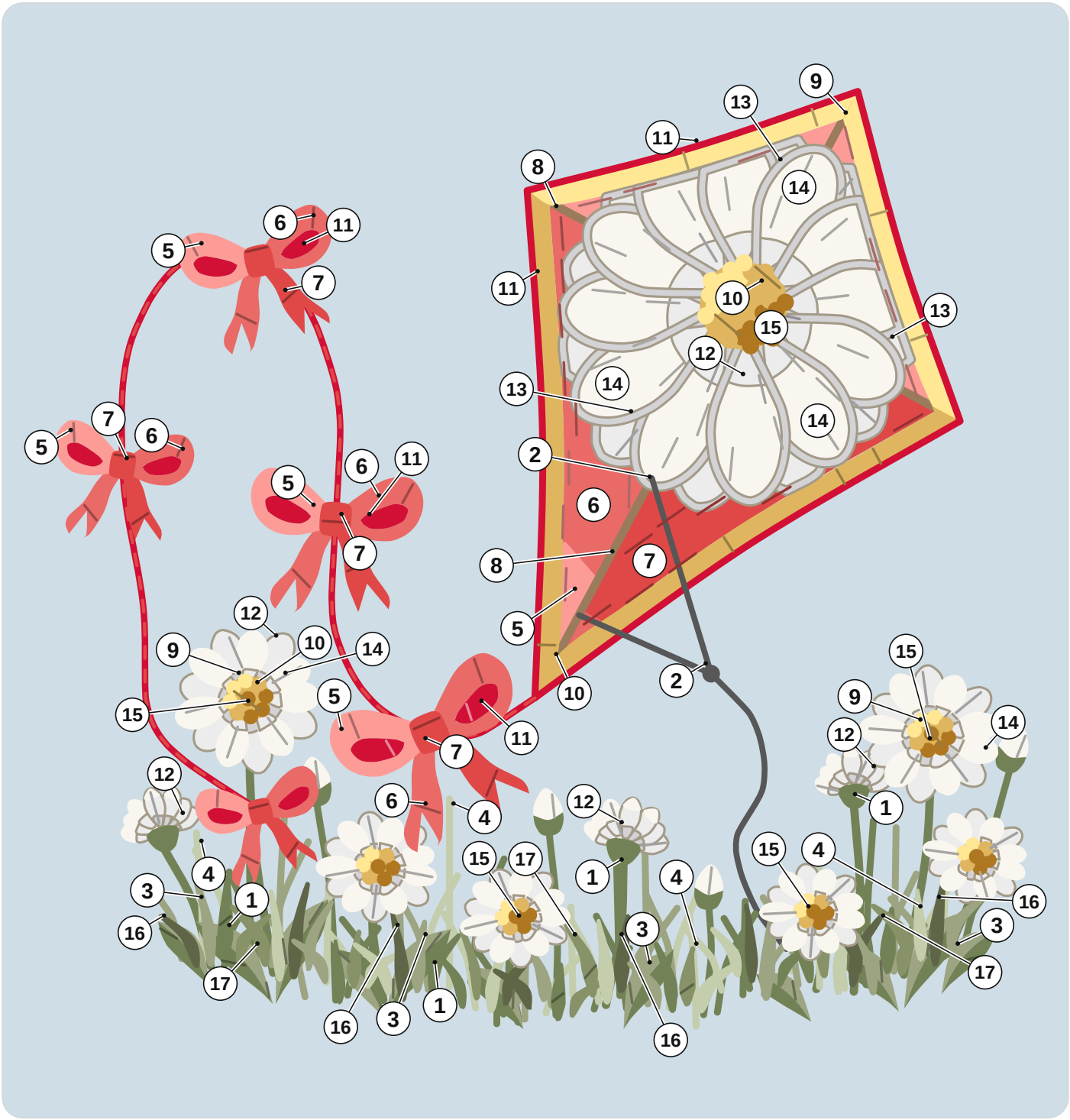
A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



1	DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green	7	DMC 350 Medium Coral	13	DMC 415 Pearl Gray
2	DMC 413 Dark Pewter Gray	8	DMC 840 Medium Beige Brown	14	DMC 3865 Winter White
3	DMC 3053 Green Gray	9	DMC 744 Pale Yellow	15	DMC 782 Dark Topaz
4	DMC 524 Very Light Fern Green	10	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	16	DMC 3051 Dark Green Gray
5	DMC 352 Light Coral	11	DMC 349 Dark Coral	17	DMC 3052 Medium Green Gray
6	DMC 351 Coral	12	DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray		

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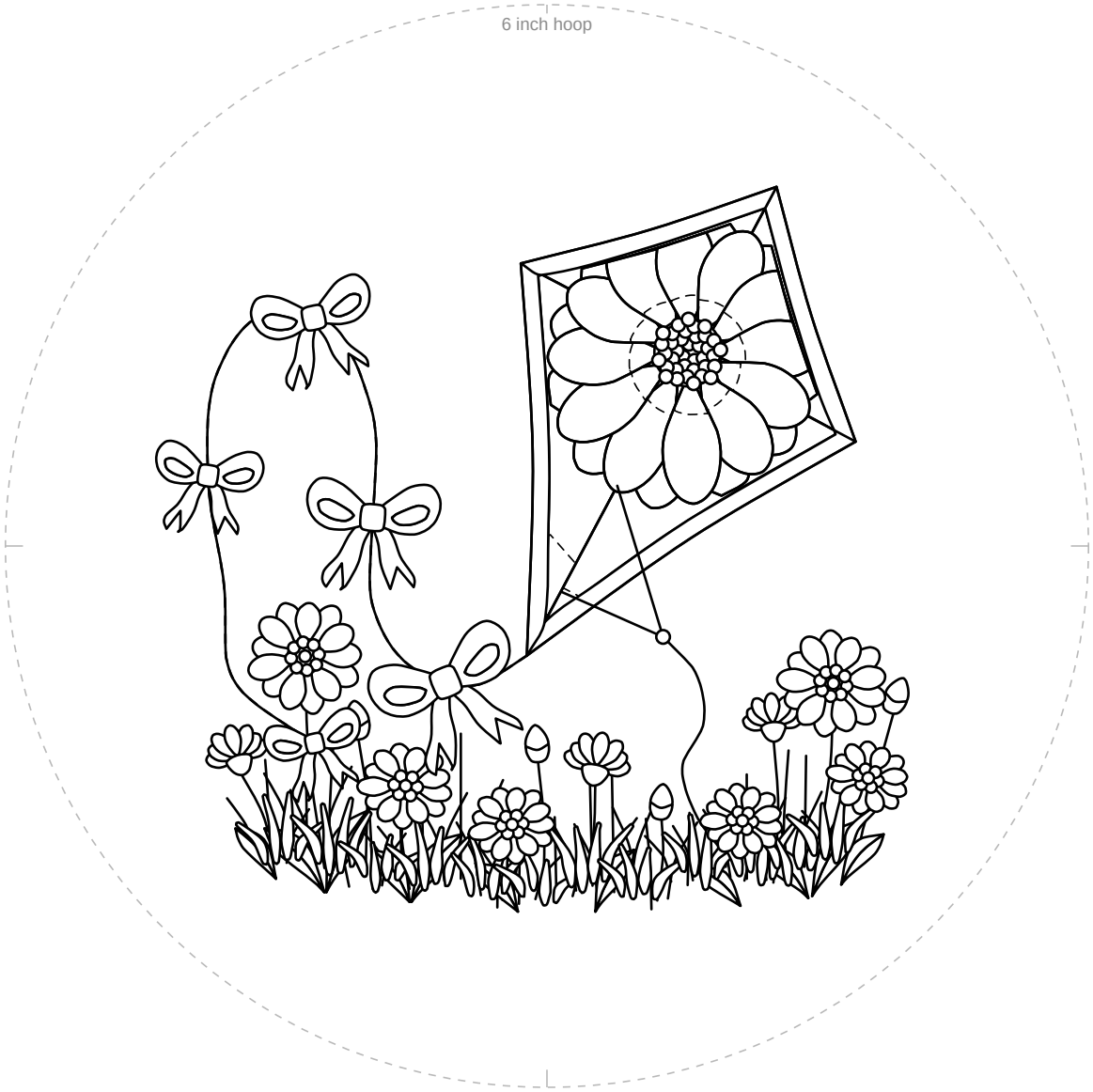
Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot; a dashed line is whipped back stitch; a finer one inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



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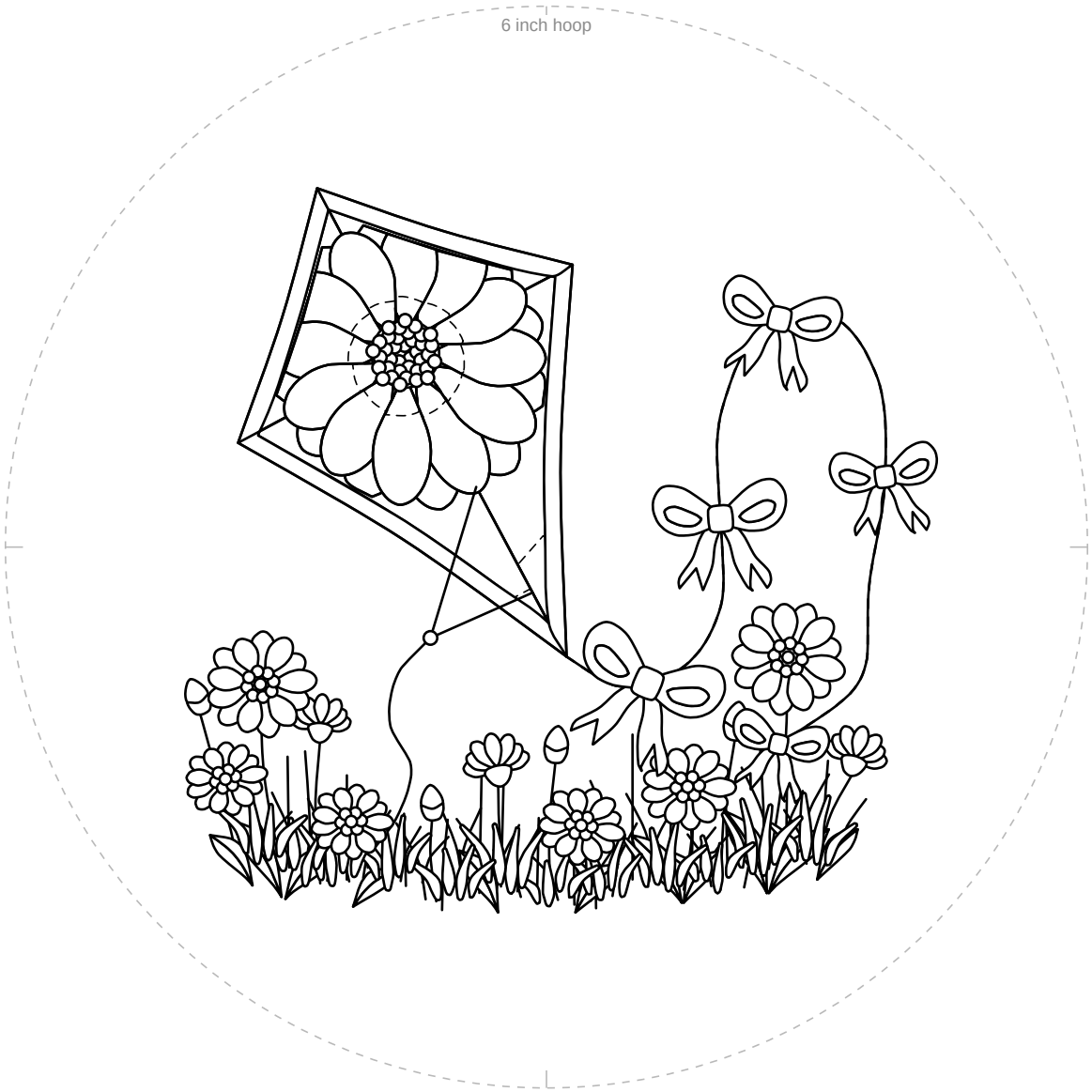
For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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