Dreamcatcher in three rings

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 3 × 5 in (7.6 × 12.7 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: teal cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

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

An embroidery needle, size 9.

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

A white pencil, and small scissors.

Onto the fabric

Fabric that lets light through: page 3 on a bright light, the fabric over it; trace with a white pencil.

Other fabric: print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, stick it on, stitch through it and rinse it away.

Or white or yellow carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint and go over a faint line with a white pencil.

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. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Cords, middle ring (color 4)
2. **Whipped back stitch**, 2 strands
   Middle ring (color 11), small ring
3. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Feathers, tassels
4. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Beads, tassel heads, tassel bands, cord knots, large ring, lashings, hanging loop
5. **Stem stitch**, 1 strand
   Quills
6. **Whipped back stitch**, 2 strands
   Large ring edge, bead rim
7. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Webs
8. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Web beads

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

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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 738 Very Light Tan	**7**	DMC 3777 Very Dark Terra Cotta	**13**	DMC 3811 Very Light Turquoise
2	DMC 739 Ultra Very Light Tan	**8**	DMC 3830 Terra Cotta	**14**	DMC 3820 Dark Straw
3	DMC 437 Light Tan	**9**	DMC 352 Light Coral	**15**	DMC 782 Dark Topaz
4	DMC 3865 Winter White	**10**	DMC 3824 Light Apricot	**16**	DMC 3822 Light Straw
5	DMC 436 Tan	**11**	DMC 598 Light Turquoise		
6	DMC 351 Coral	**12**	DMC 3810 Dark Turquoise		

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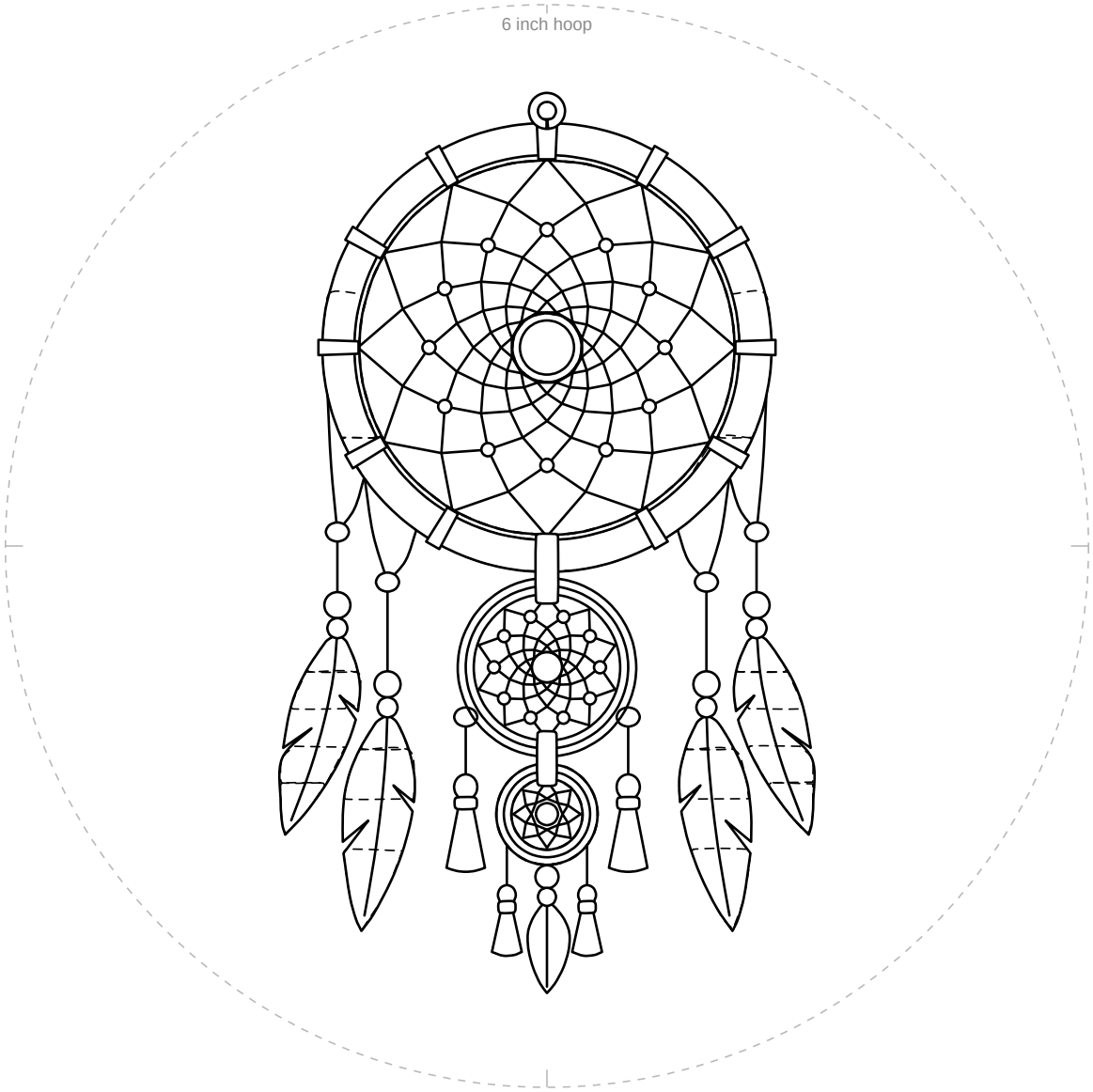
Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

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.



1 in
25.4 mm

Not 1 inch (25.4 mm)? Print again at 100%.

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