Easy barbed wire with a wild rose

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.4 × 3.8 in (11.2 × 9.7 cm)



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

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
   Rose stem

2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Rosebuds, green cup (color 1), dark wire, light wire, barbs, barb coils, rose petals, petal hearts, rose center



3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves, green cup (color 1)



4. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Petal veins



5. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Stamens



Take out lines that still show, press face down on soft cloth.

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.

The back is seen: no knots. Start with tiny stitches; end around the backs of four or five stitches.

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

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

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.

Buy: 7 colors of floss (page 2), one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), an embroidery needle size 7, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of teal cotton or linen, a white pencil.

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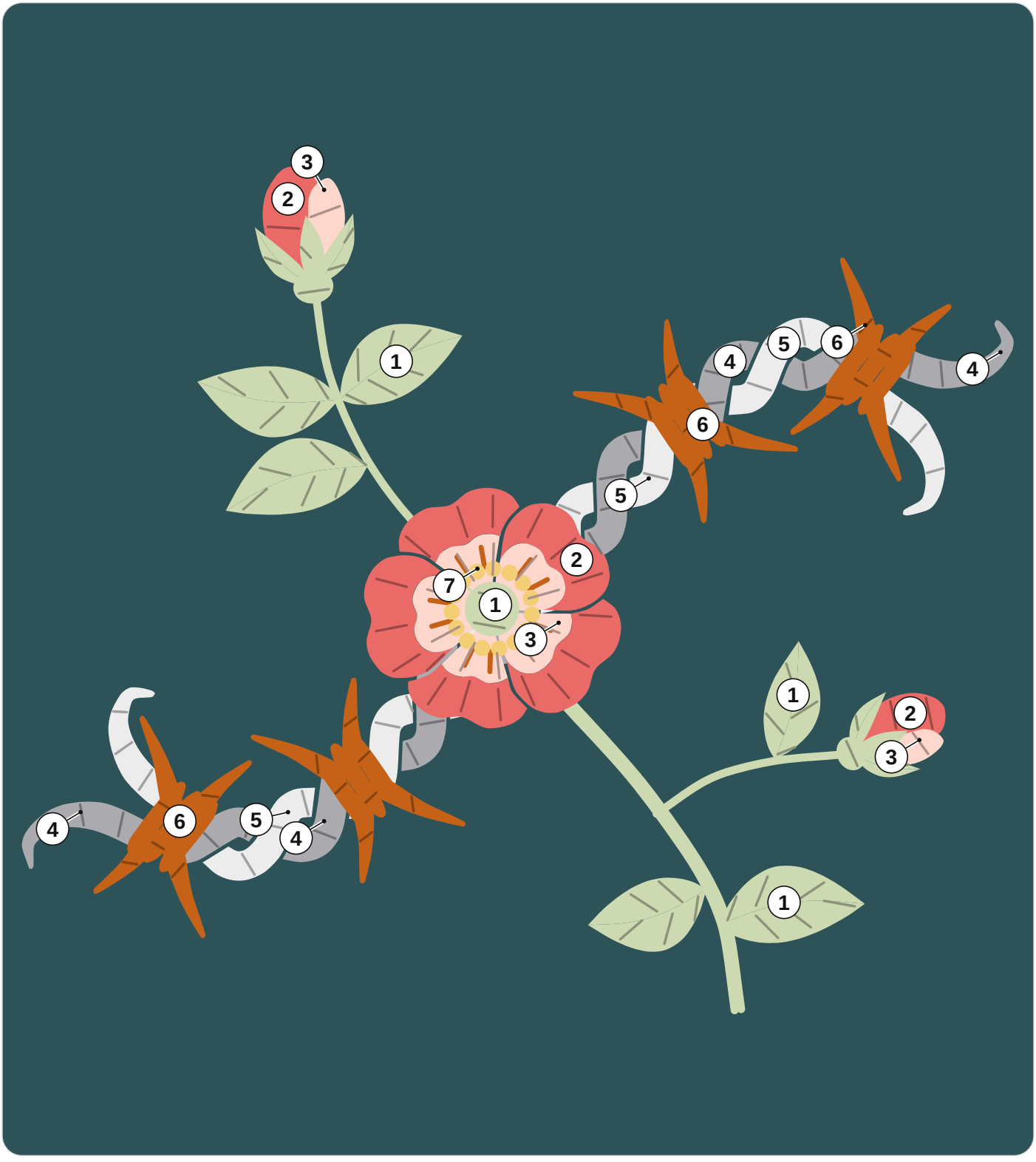
A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



1 DMC 3348 Light Yellow Green
2 DMC 351 Coral
3 DMC 353 Peach
4 DMC 318 Light Steel Gray
5 DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray
6 DMC 921 Copper
7 DMC 3821 Straw

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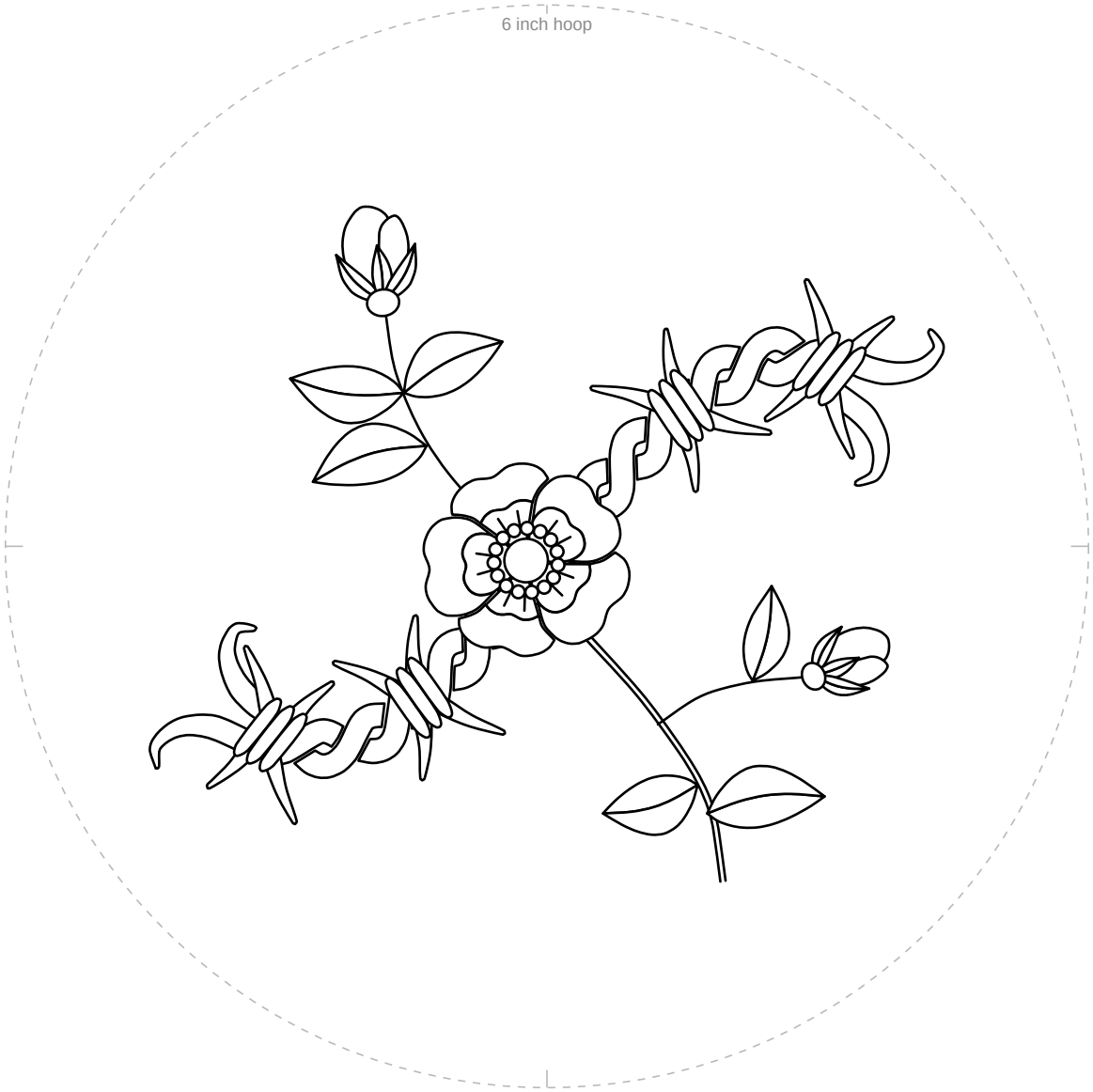
Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.
On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot.



1 in
25.4 mm

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

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