Easy buffalo plaid bison

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.5 × 3.6 in (11.4 × 9.1 cm).



Which color goes where.

Floss

- **DMC 3371 Black Brown**
  Woven checks (darker), black checks, crown, beard and hooves and 9 more parts
- **DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown**
  Face, far legs, pantaloons and near legs
- **DMC 321 Red**
  Red checks and paintbrush flowers, woven checks (lighter)
- **DMC 435 Very Light Brown**
  Cape (lighter), mouth and nostril
- **DMC 433 Medium Brown**
  Cape (darker), bird head
- **DMC 712 Cream**
  Horn and eye light
- **DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green**
  Grass, ground, flower leaves and flower stems

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 2 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 2 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on**
   Go over the lines of page 3, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron.

Pages 2 and 3 are the pattern at actual size. Print them at 100% with scaling turned off.

Stitches

- **Stem stitch**, 2 to 4 strands
  Tail, coat outline, pantaloons, cape, beard, face, crown, flower stems, grass
- **Satin stitch**, 2 to 3 strands
  Far legs, hooves, near legs, red checks, black checks, muzzle, horn, eye, bird, bird head, bird bill
- **Woven filling stitch**, 4 strands
  Woven checks
- **Back stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Nostril, mouth, horn edge, bird legs
- **French knot**, 1 strand, two wraps
  Eye light, bird eye
- **Running stitch**, 3 strands
  Ground
- **Lazy daisy stitch**, 2 to 3 strands
  Paintbrush flowers, flower leaves

Work it in this order

1. Stitch the filled parts first, what lies behind before what lies in front of it.
2. Then stitch the lines: stems, veins and outlines over the edges of the filled parts.
3. Keep the knots for the end, so that the hoop and your hand do not flatten them.

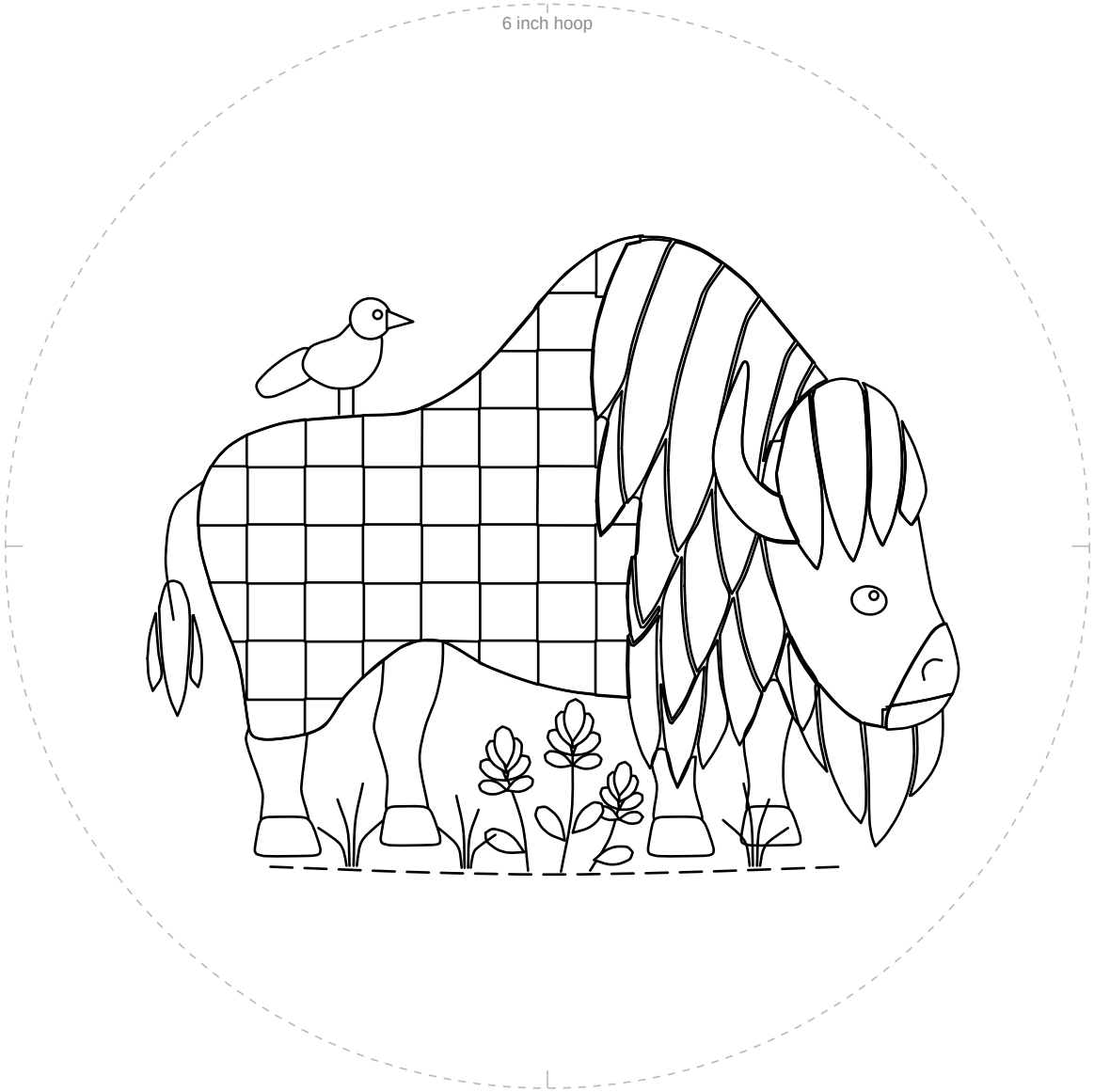
The thread
Inside a filled shape start with two or three tiny stitches, which the filling covers: a knot shows as a bump. A line may start with a small knot on the back or one of the knotless starts. End each thread by running the needle under the backs of a few stitches.

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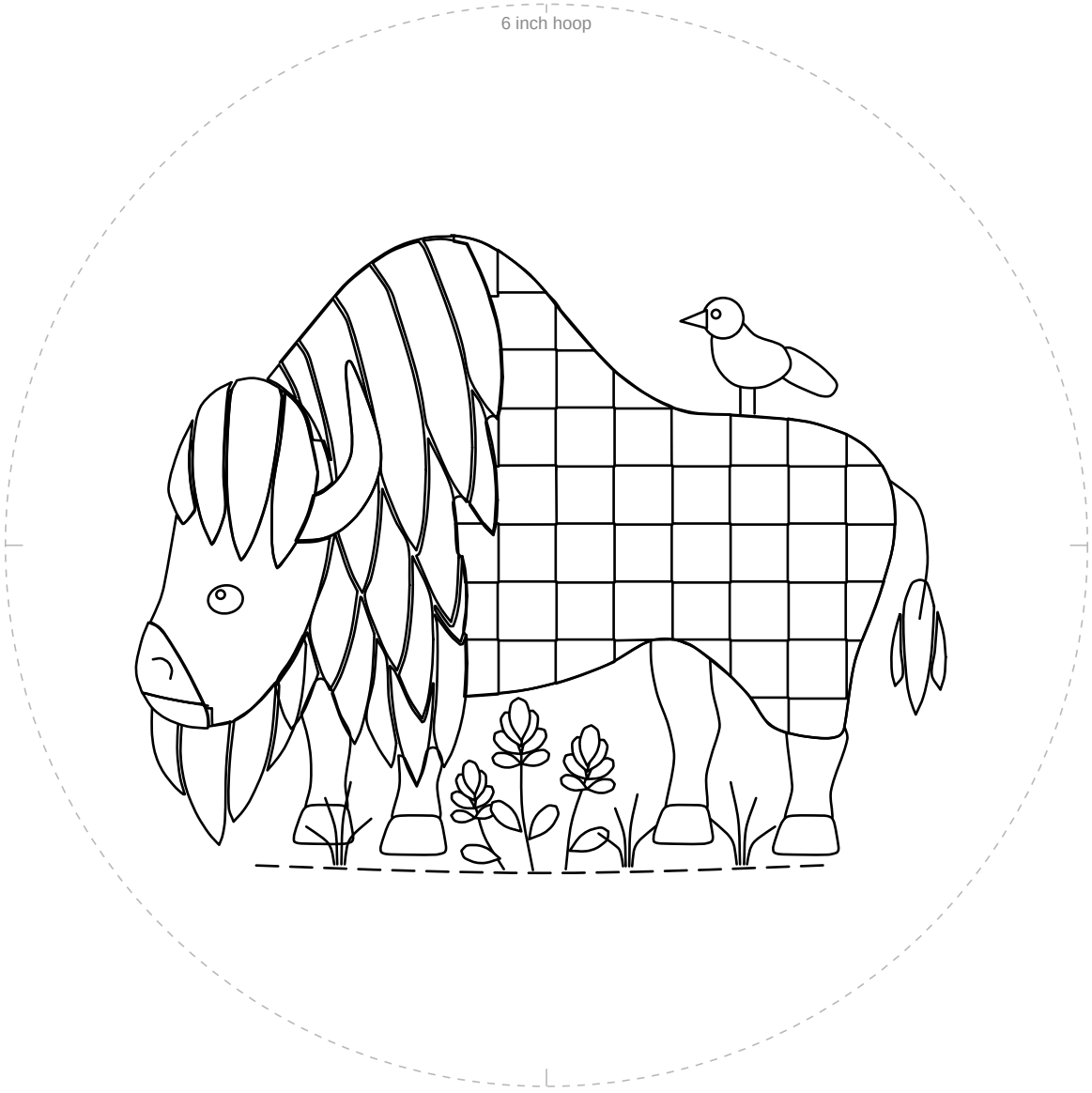
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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