Easy bumblebee asleep on a daisy

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.8 × 4.7 in (12.2 × 11.9 cm).



Which color goes where. Each number is a stitch of the list.
Fabric: navy cotton or linen.

Stitch in this order

1. **Stem stitch**
   5 strands: stem
   4 strands: body, head
   3 strands: eyes, smile, feelers, wings

2. **Straight stitch**
   6 strands: bands
   5 strands: tail



3. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 4 strands
   Leaves, petals



4. **French knot**
   3 strands, two wraps
   Daisy heart, feelers



Floss

DMC 471 Very Light Avocado Green
Leaves and stem

DMC 3865 Winter White
Petals, wings and tail

DMC 3821 Straw
Daisy heart, bands, body, head, feelers, eyes and smile

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.

Start each thread with a small knot on the back, and end it by running the needle under the backs of a few stitches.

Each small ring is one French knot. Each small loop is one lazy daisy: come up at its point.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches. The first time: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.

Three ways onto dark fabric

1. **Light shines through it**
   Lay page 2 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 2 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 2 on top, tape the layers and trace firmly with a ballpoint pen. Go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Page 2 is the pattern at actual size (page 3 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.

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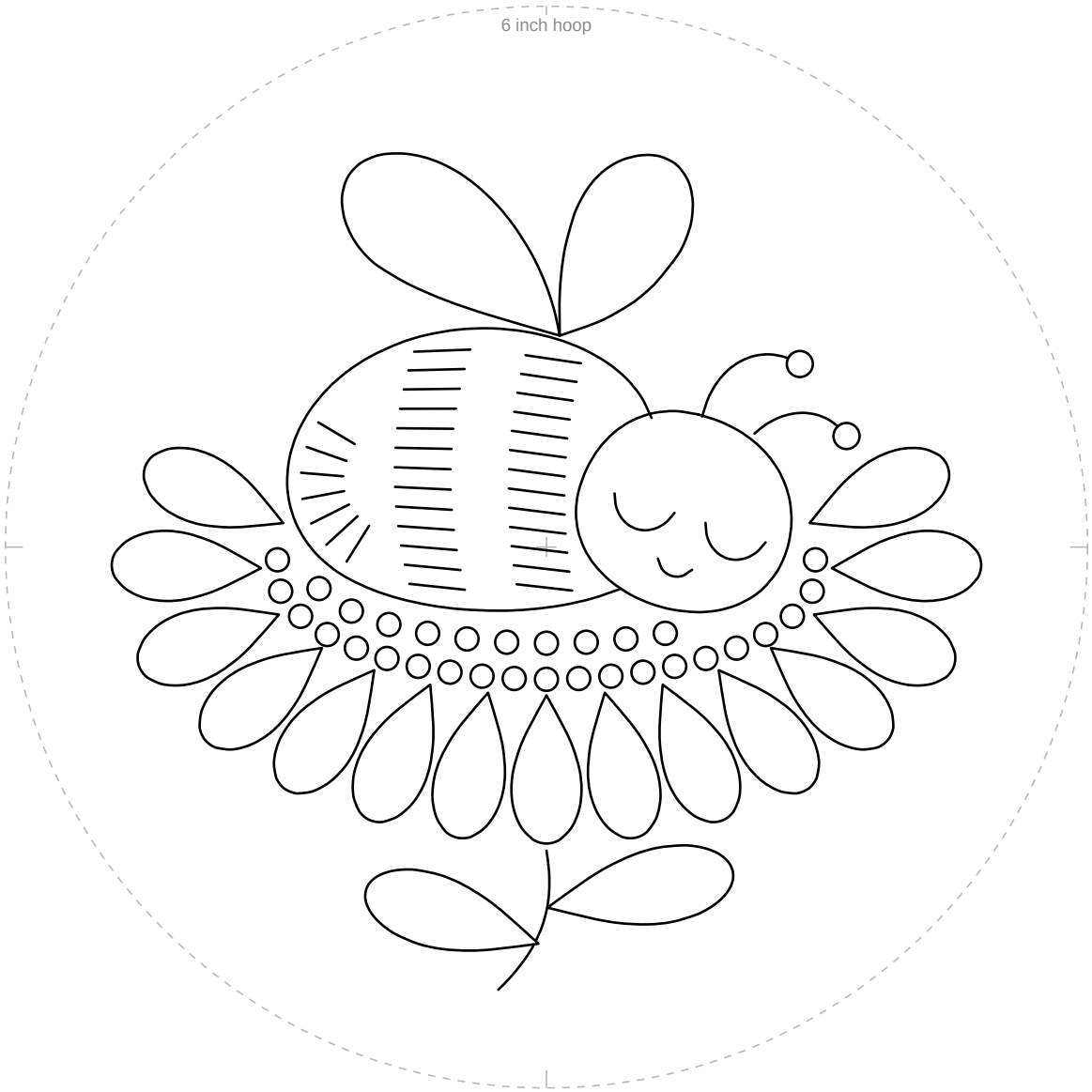
6 inch hoop

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.



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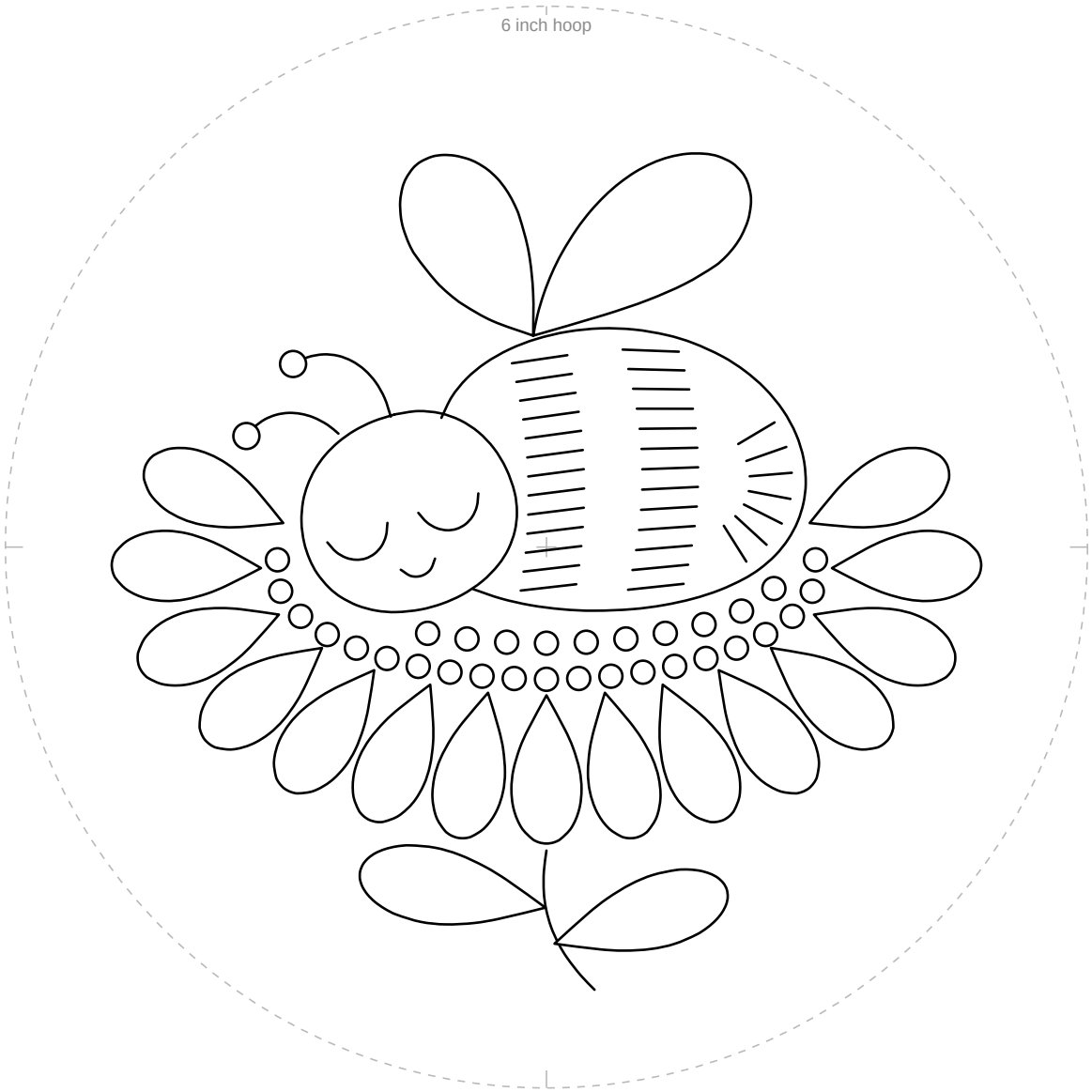
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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