Easy cross with a growing daisy

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 3.3 × 4.7 in (8.4 × 11.9 cm).



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

Floss

- **DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Cross and daisy heart
- **DMC BLANC White**
  Petals
- **DMC 471 Very Light Avocado Green**
  Leaves and flower stem

Stitch in this order

1. **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
   Cross, flower stem
2. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 3 strands
   Petals, leaves
3. **French knot**
   3 strands, two wraps
   Daisy heart



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.

Begin with no knot on the back where it is seen and washed, as on a towel, a napkin or clothes; for a piece in a hoop a small knot is fine. End each thread by whipping it around the backs of four or five stitches, with one small hitch.

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.

What you need

Beginner. A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, and a 9 inch (23 cm) square of plain cotton or linen, in indigo. Embroidery needle: size 7. Skeins: one of each color is enough. An estimate for the 6 inch hoop, from the length of each line and the area of each filled shape, with a fifth added for tails.

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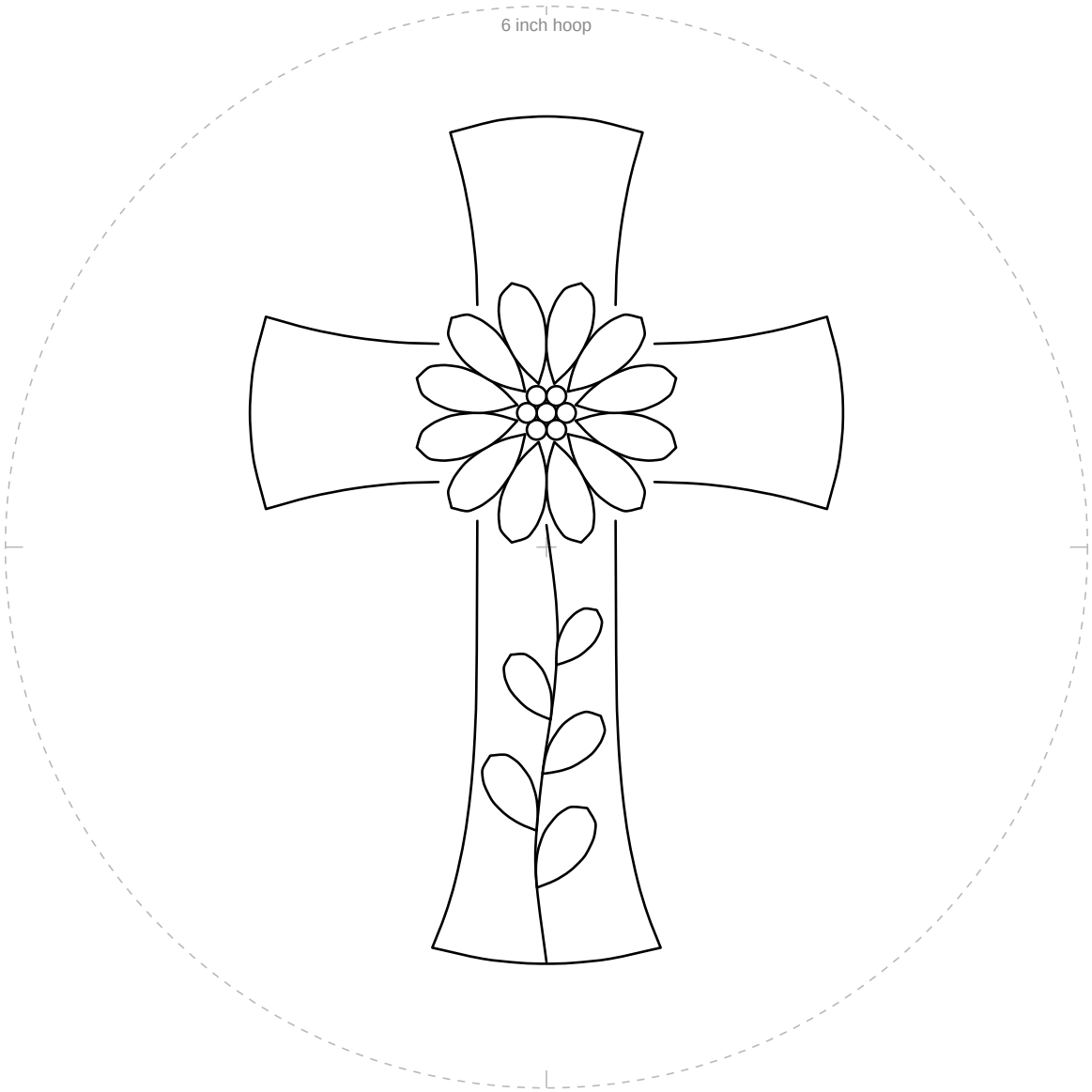
6 inch hoop

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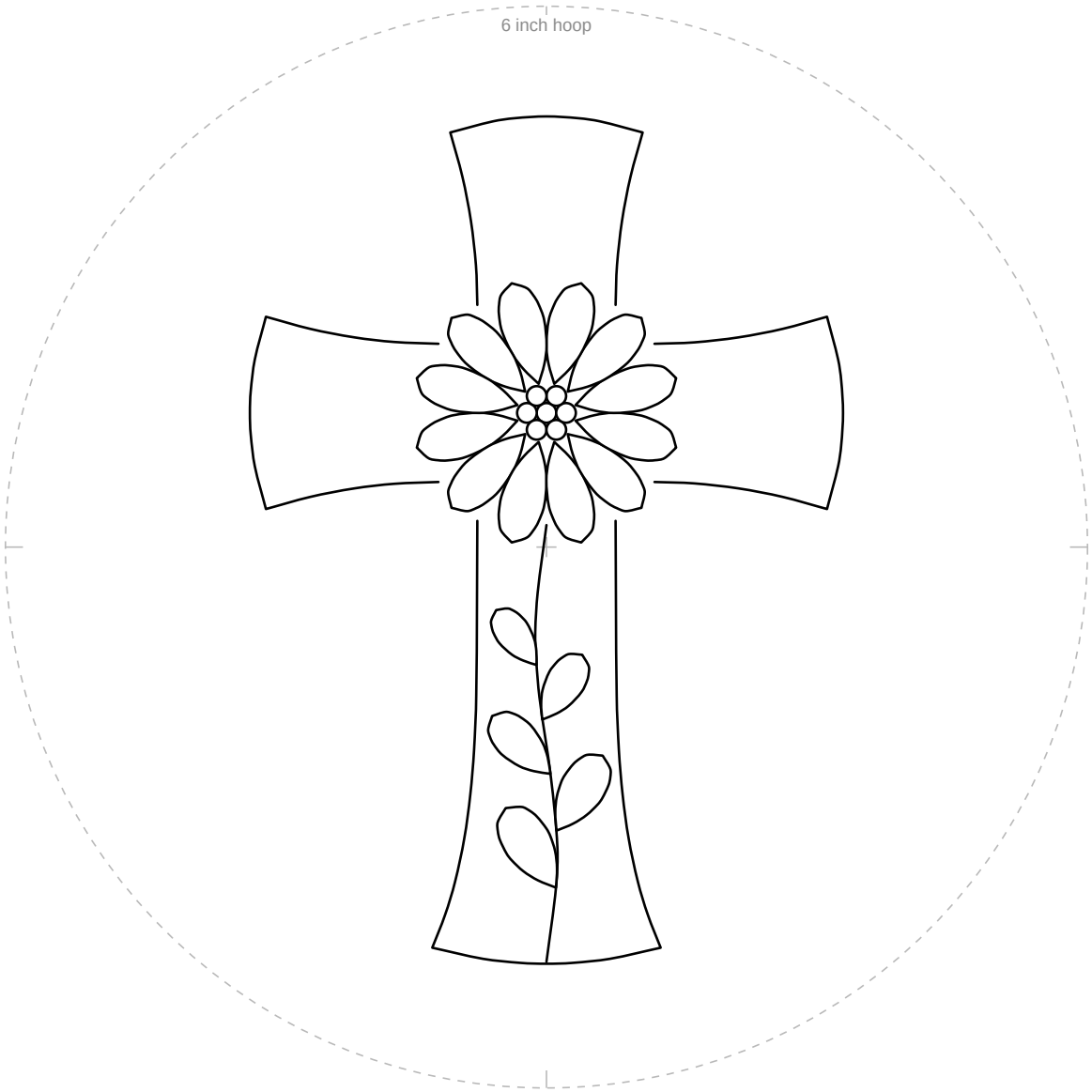
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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