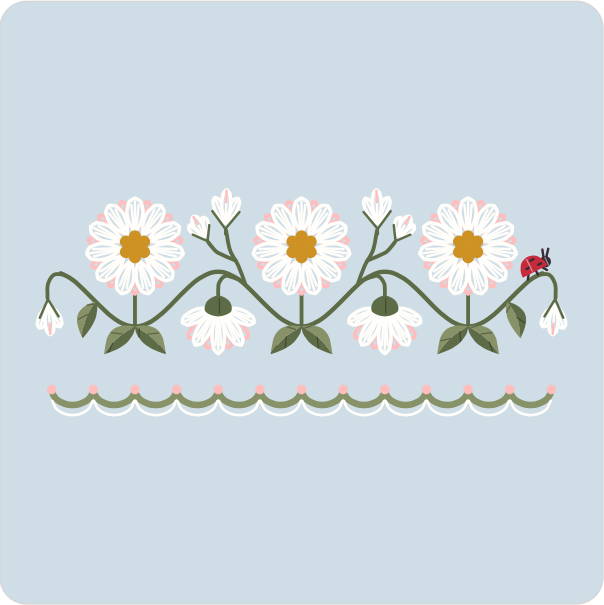
Easy daisy border for a baby dress hem

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.9 × 2.1 in (12.4 × 5.3 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: pale blue cotton or linen.

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 3 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 3 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on: the lines stay**
   Go over the lines of page 4, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron, as the pen's packet says.

Pages 3 and 4 are the pattern at actual size. Print them at 100% with scaling turned off. Then put the fabric in the hoop: inner ring under, drawing up, tight as a drum.

Floss

- **1 DMC 3052 Medium Green Gray**
  Scalloped line, leaves (lighter)
- **2 DMC BLANC White**
  Open daisies, nodding daisies, buds and scalloped edge
- **3 DMC 3716 Very Light Rose**
  Blush petals, scallop points and bud tips
- **4 DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green**
  Wavy stem, flower cups and flower stems, leaves (darker)
- **5 DMC 783 Medium Topaz**
  Daisy hearts
- **6 DMC 3371 Black Brown**
  Ladybug legs, ladybug head and ladybug spots
- **7 DMC 321 Red**
  Ladybug wings

Stitch in this order

Filled parts from the back of the picture forward, then lines, loops and knots.

1. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Flower cups, ladybug head, ladybug wings
3. **Chain stitch**, 3 strands
   Scalloped line
4. **Back stitch**, 3 strands
   Scalloped edge
5. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Wavy stem, flower stems
6. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Blush petals, open daisies, buds, bud tips, nodding daisies, ladybug legs, ladybug spots
7. **Fly stitch**, 3 strands
   Flower cups
8. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 3 strands
   Blush petals, open daisies, buds, nodding daisies
9. **French knot**, 3 strands, two wraps
   Scallop points, daisy hearts

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6 inch hoop

How to read it

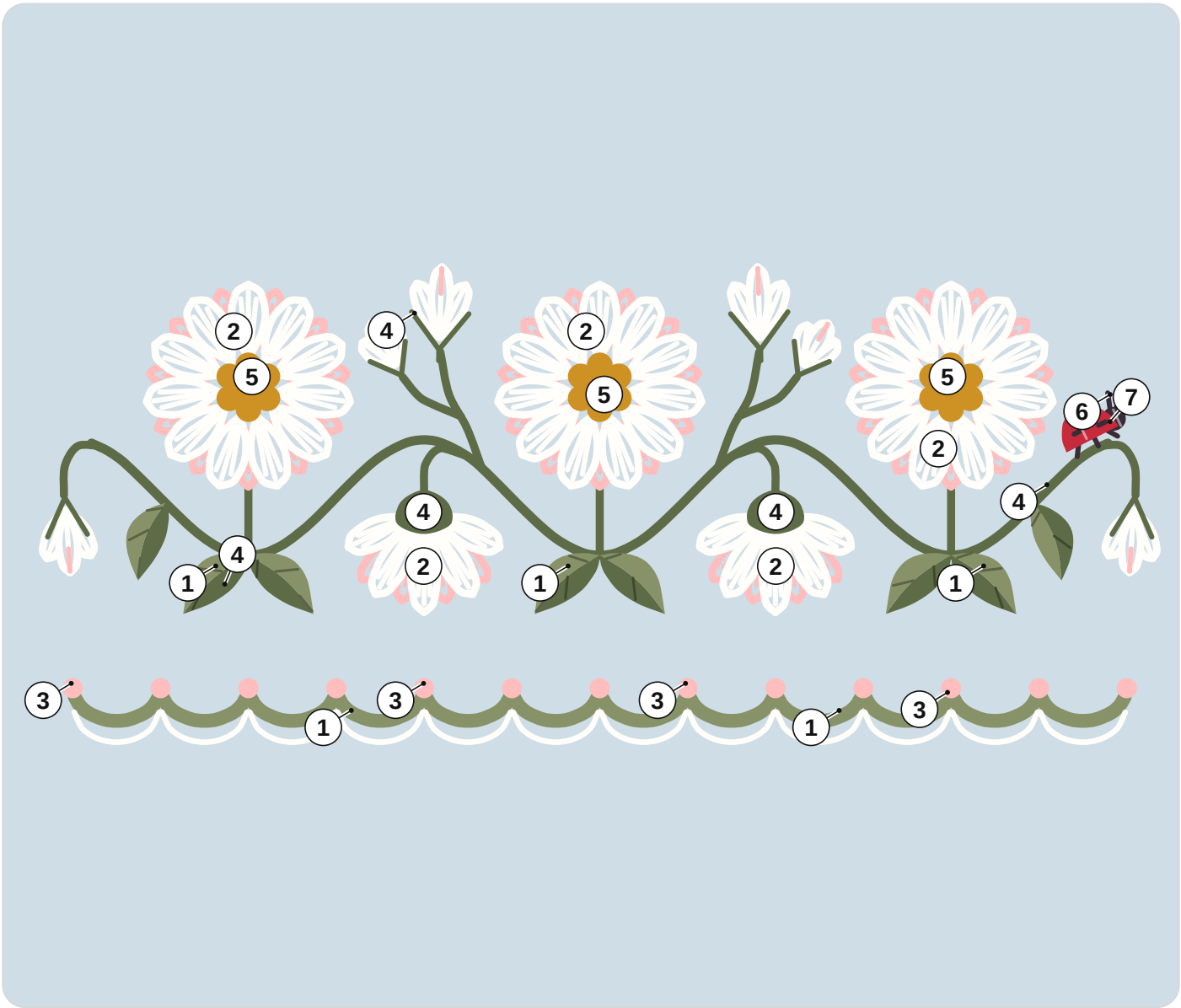
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

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.

A number on the picture is a color of the list of floss on page 1. The fine lines on the colors show which way the stitches lie.

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



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How many strands

Stem stitch. 3 or 4 strands: wavy stem; 3 strands: flower stems.
Straight stitch. 3 strands: open daisies, buds, nodding daisies, ladybug spots; 2 strands: blush petals, bud tips; 1 or 2 strands: ladybug legs.

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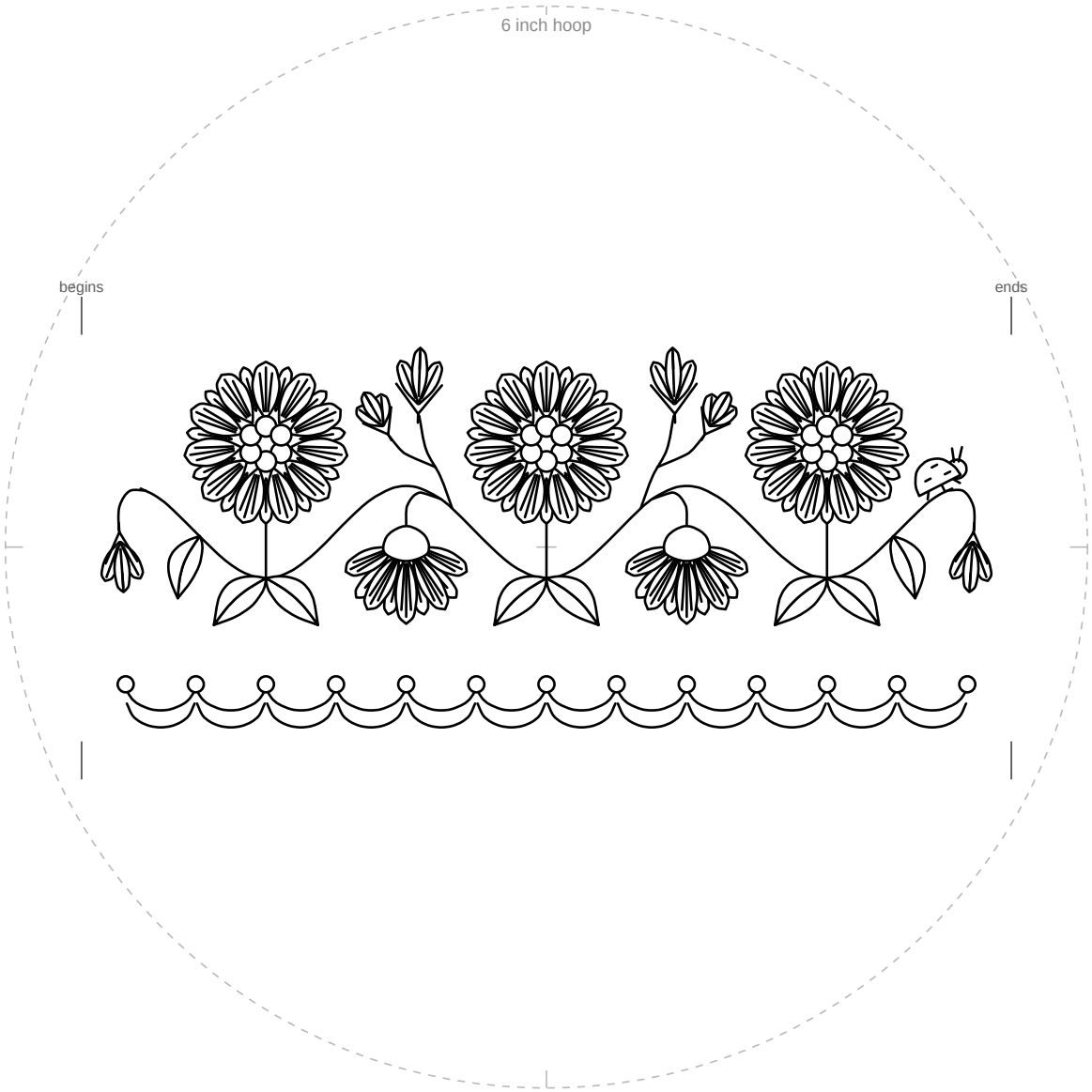
Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

For a longer border, trace it again with the mark “begins” on the mark “ends”.

Check square: 1 inch (25.4 mm) on each side.
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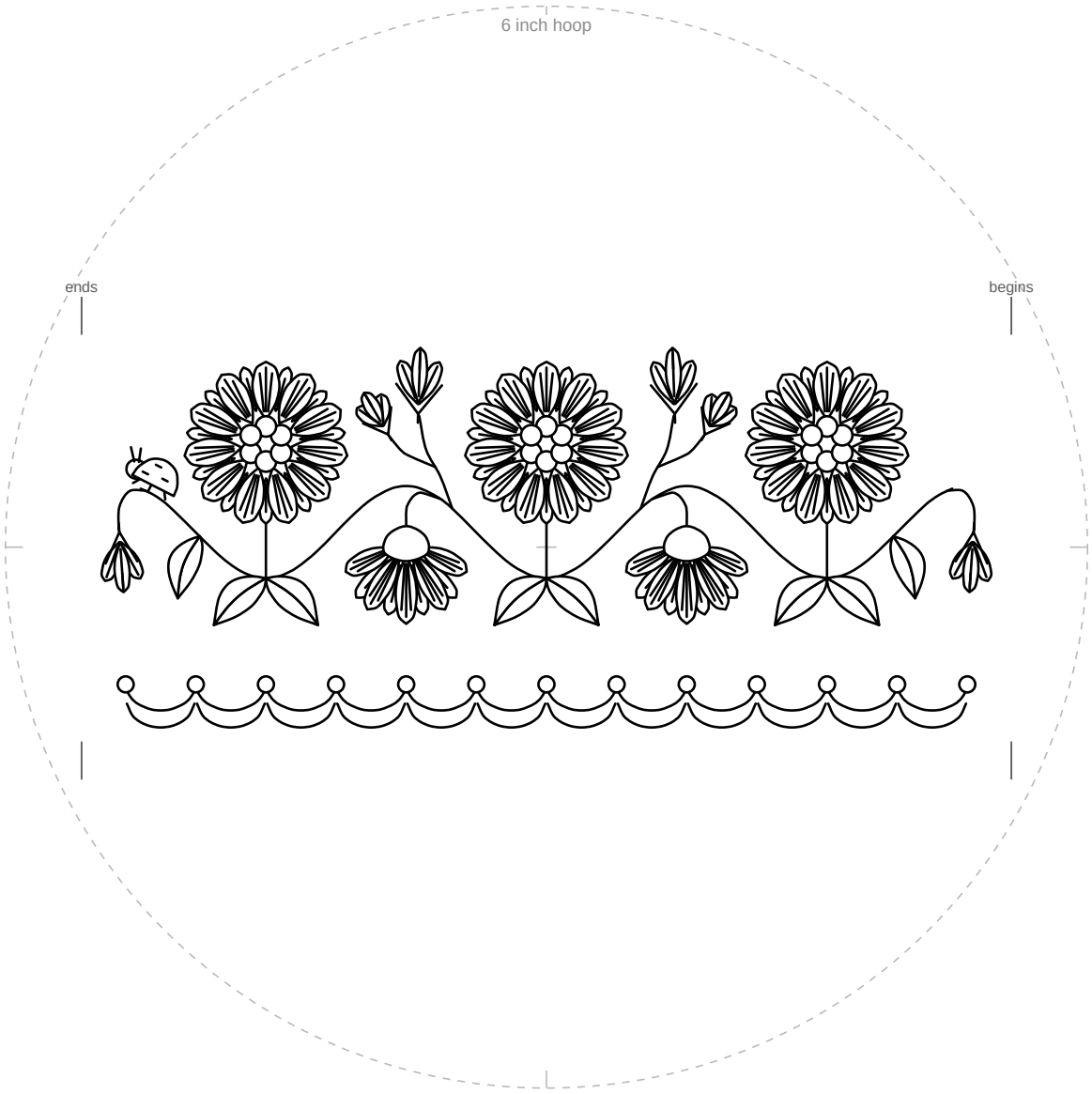
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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