Easy galaxy cat

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.5 × 4.2 in (11.4 × 10.7 cm).



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

Three ways onto dark fabric

1. **Light shines through it**
   Lay page 3 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 3 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 3 on top, tape the layers and trace firmly with a ballpoint pen. Go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Page 3 is the pattern at actual size (page 4 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.

Floss

- **1 DMC 964 Light Seagreen**
  Shooting star trail, whiskers and tail stars, coat (lightest)
- **2 DMC 340 Medium Blue Violet**
  Coat (middle light)
- **3 DMC 552 Medium Violet**
  Coat and haunch (darkest), eyes, mouth and toes
- **4 DMC 3607 Light Plum**
  Coat and haunch (dark)
- **5 DMC 351 Coral**
  Coat (middle dark), inner ears and nose, haunch (light)
- **6 DMC 742 Light Tangerine**
  Coat (light), shooting star, brow stripes and small stars, haunch (lightest)
- **7 DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow**
  Face, paws, stars in the coat and stars

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Paws, inner ears, eyes, brow stripes, nose, stars in the coat, shooting star trail, shooting star, stars
2. **Brick stitch**, 2 strands
   Face
3. **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
   Coat, haunch, face
4. **Chain stitch**, 3 strands
   Coat, haunch
5. **Back stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Toes, mouth
6. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Whiskers
7. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Stars in the coat, tail stars, small stars

In a 6 inch hoop the French knots are drawn smaller than about 2 mm (a little over 1/16 in). Use one strand of floss for them there, or choose a larger hoop.

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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.

Inside a filled shape start with two or three tiny stitches, which the filling covers. Start a line with a small knot on the back. End each thread by running the needle under the backs of a few stitches.

Each small ring is one French knot.

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

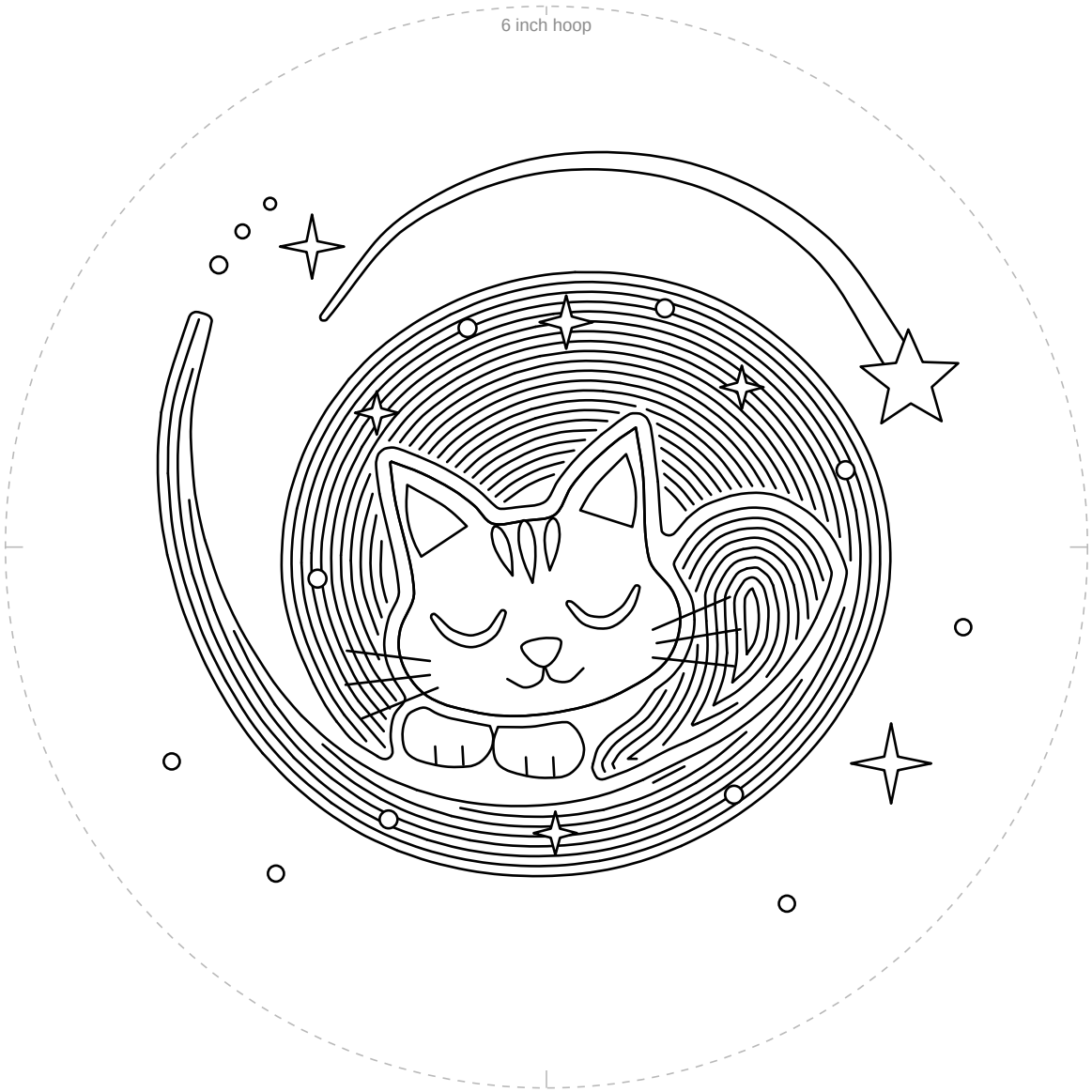
Back stitch. 3 strands: mouth; 2 strands: toes.

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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

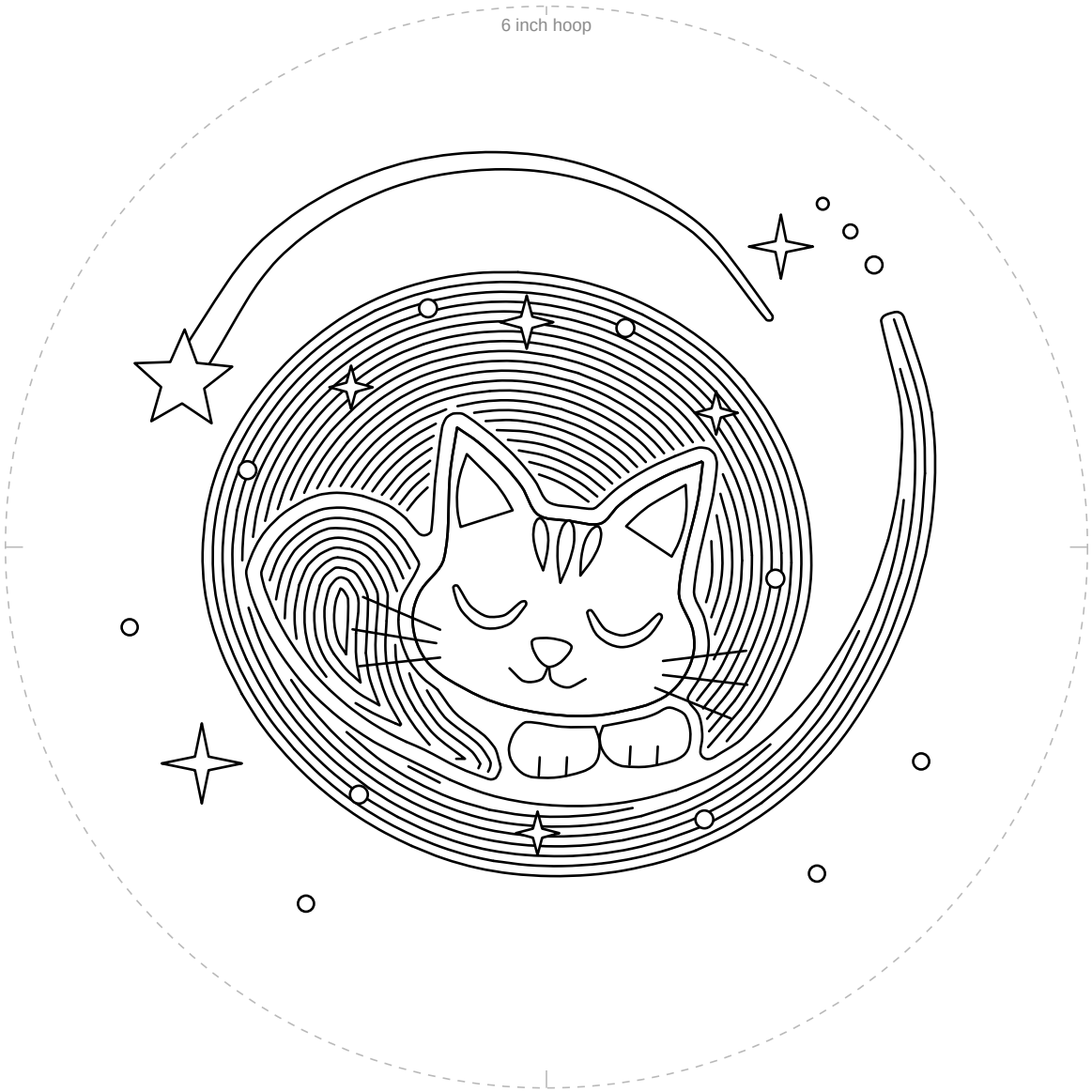
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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