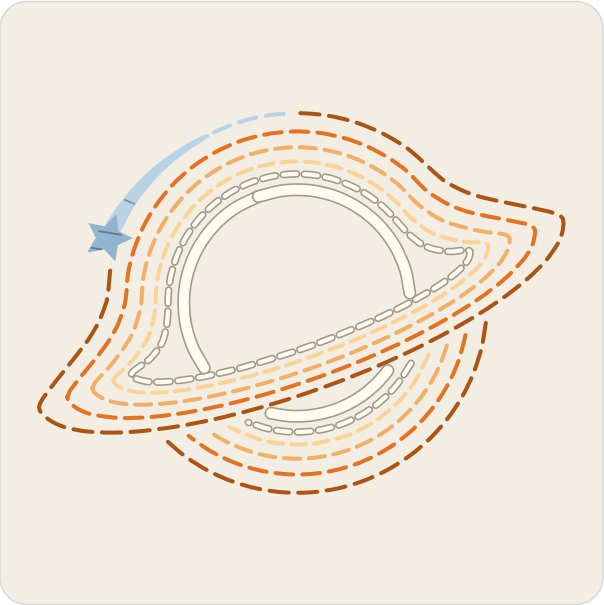
Easy negative space black hole

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 3.3 × 2.4 in (8.4 × 6.1 cm).



Which color goes where.

Floss

- **DMC 712 Cream**
  Disc lines and under arcs (lightest), chain ring
- **DMC 3855 Light Autumn Gold**
  Disc lines and under arcs (light)
- **DMC 3854 Medium Autumn Gold**
  Disc lines (middle dark), under arcs (middle)
- **DMC 922 Light Copper**
  Disc lines and under arcs (dark)
- **DMC 920 Medium Copper**
  Disc lines and under arcs (darkest)
- **DMC 3325 Light Baby Blue**
  Star tail, disc lines (middle light)
- **DMC 3755 Baby Blue**
  Blue star

Stitches

- **Running stitch**, 3 to 4 strands
  Disc lines, under arcs
- **Chain stitch**, 4 strands
  Chain ring
- **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Star tail, blue star

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.

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.

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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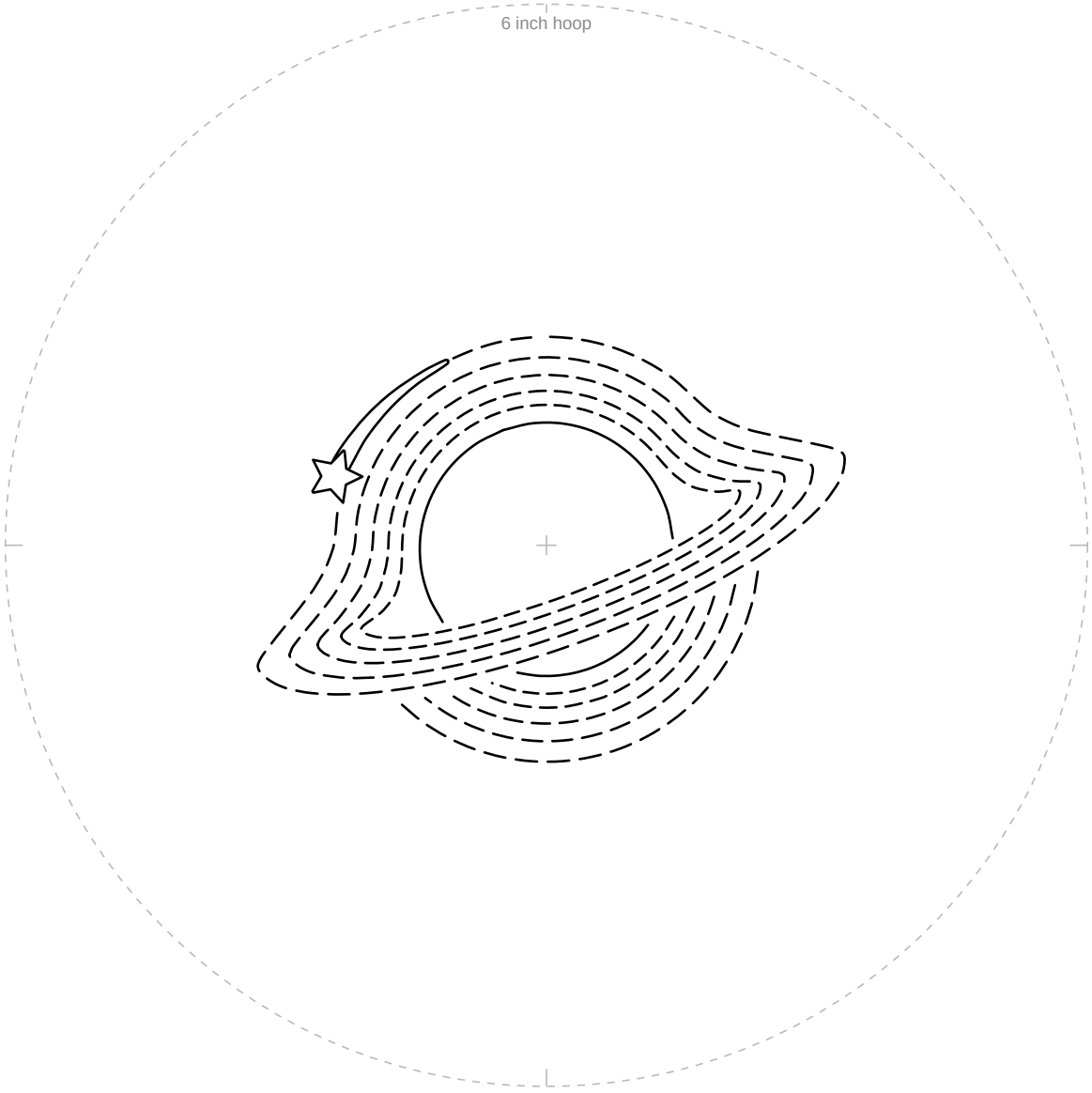

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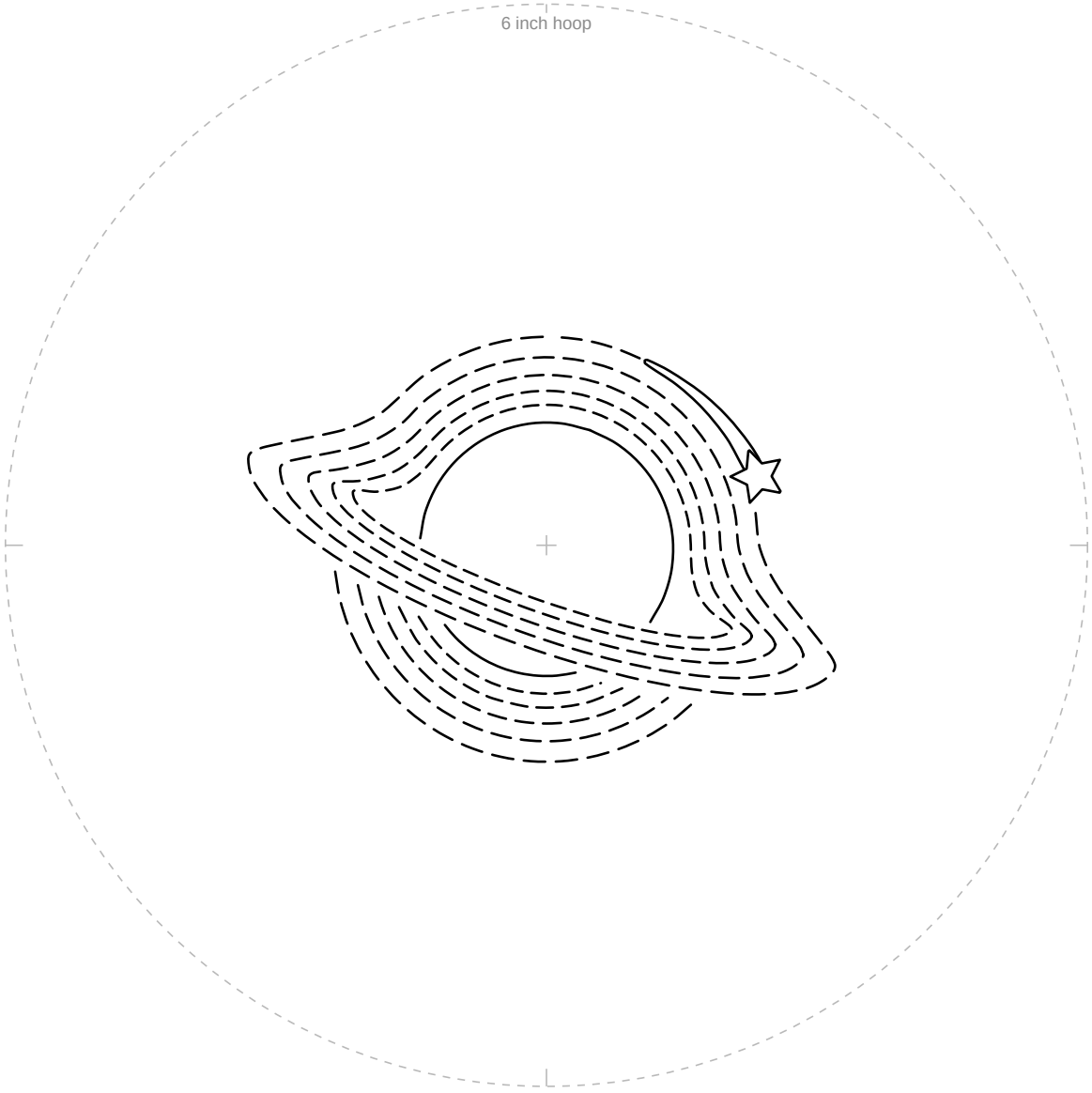
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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