Easy pom pom border

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.6 × 2.4 in (11.7 × 6.1 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: teal cotton or linen.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Daisy centers
2. **Stem stitch**, 5 strands
   Rails
3. **Back stitch**, 5 strands
   Inner swags
4. **Chain stitch**, 5 strands
   Swags
5. **Straight stitch**
   4 strands: lattice, tassel ties, end tails
   5 strands: lattice ties, tassel skirts
   2 strands: lines of the half daisies, pink pom poms, cream pom poms, gold pom poms
   3 strands: sprig stems
6. **Whipped back stitch**, 3 strands
   Cords
7. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 3 strands
   Loops of the half daisies, sprig leaves
8. **French knot**, two wraps
   4 strands: lattice knots
   5 strands: swag knots

Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop.

How to read it

Floss has six strands: cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number named one at a time, and lay them together.

Start a filling with tiny stitches, a line with a small knot; end under stitches on the back.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches.

New to this: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.

Onto the fabric

Fabric that lets light through: page 3 on a bright light, the fabric over it; trace with a white pencil.

Other fabric: print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, stick it on, stitch through it and rinse it away.

Or white or yellow carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint and go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Then hoop it, inner ring under, tight as a drum.

Buy: 7 colors of floss (page 2), one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), embroidery needles size 7, and size 3 for 4 or 5 strands, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of teal cotton or linen, a white pencil.

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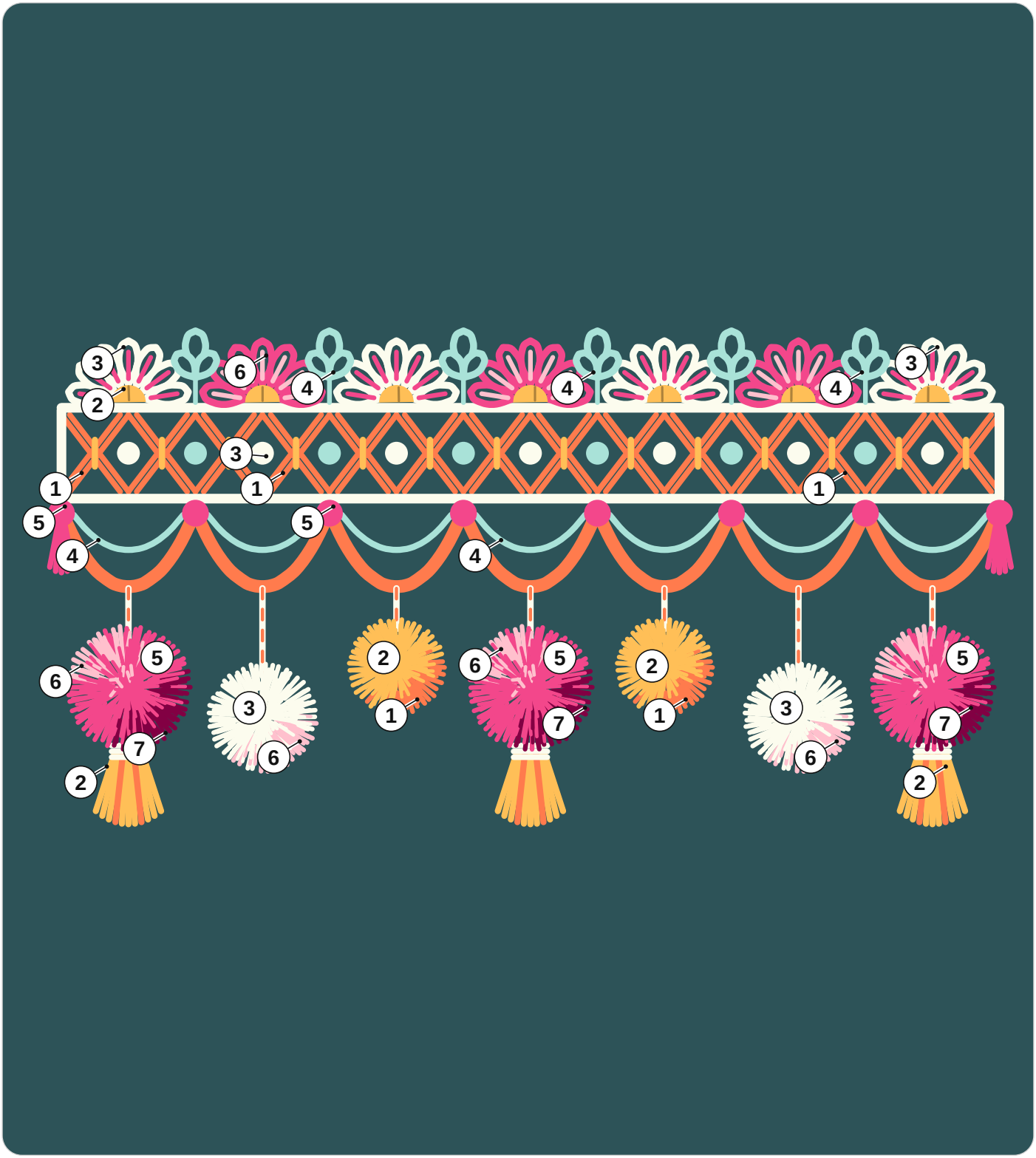
A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



1 DMC 947 Burnt Orange
2 DMC 742 Light Tangerine
3 DMC 746 Off White
4 DMC 964 Light Seagreen
5 DMC 3805 Cyclamen Pink
6 DMC 605 Very Light Cranberry
7 DMC 915 Dark Plum

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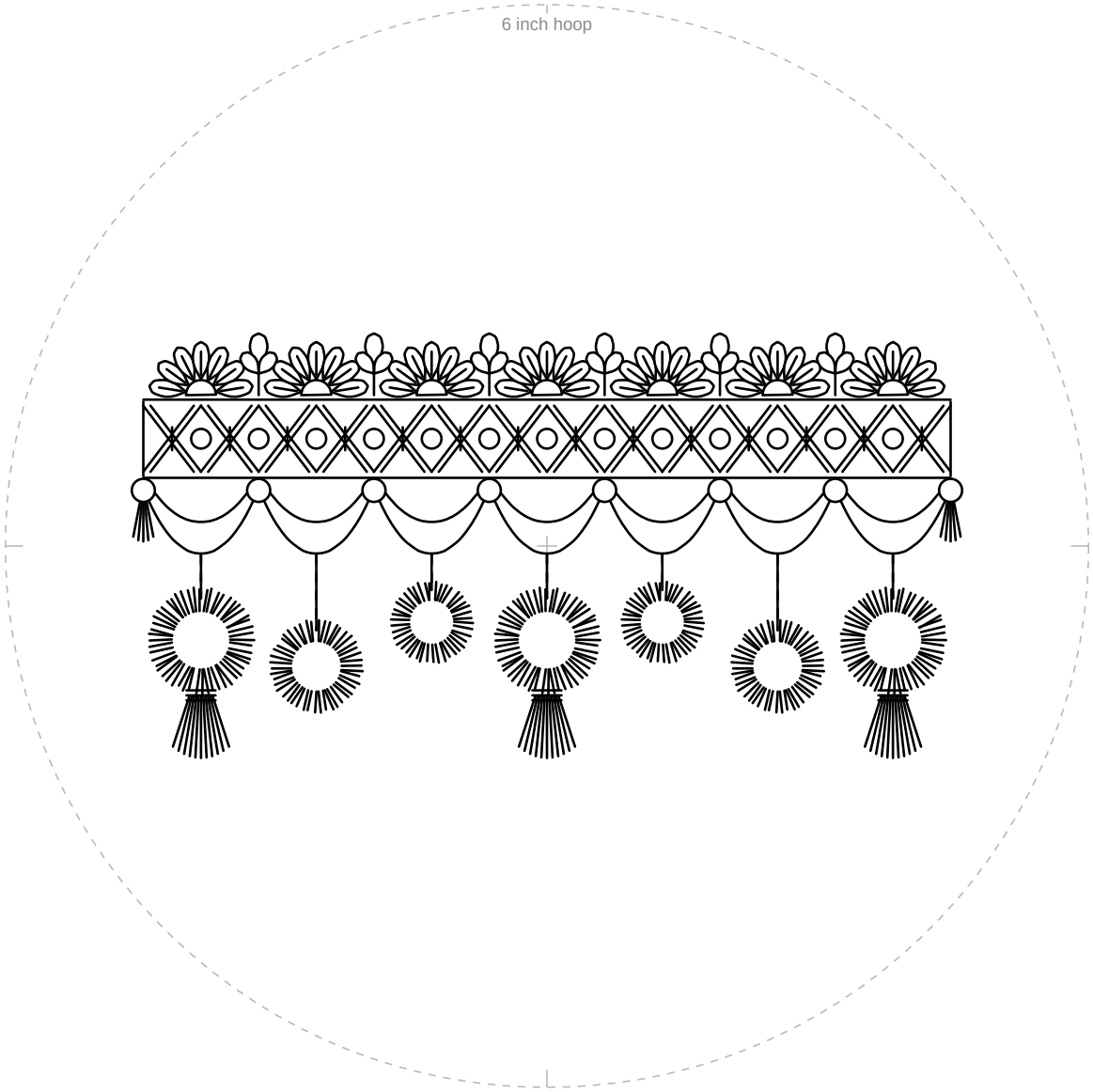
Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot; a loop is one lazy daisy, begun at its point; a dashed line is whipped back stitch.



1 in
25.4 mm

Not 1 inch (25.4 mm)? Print again at 100%.

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