Easy queen bee with clover

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.5 × 4.7 in (11.4 × 11.9 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 986 Very Dark Forest Green**
  Clover leaves, clover stems and calyx
- **2 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Wing cells, wing veins, collar, leaf markings and eye light
- **3 DMC 728 Topaz**
  Gold bands, head, shoulders, wing edges and crown
- **4 DMC 898 Very Dark Coffee Brown**
  Dark bands, legs, eye, antennae, collar tails, lashes and smile
- **5 DMC 963 Ultra Very Light Dusty Rose**
  Clover florets (light)
- **6 DMC 3733 Dusty Rose**
  Clover florets (middle), cheek and crown jewels
- **7 DMC 3350 Ultra Dark Dusty Rose**
  Clover florets (dark), crown band

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Clover leaves, wing cells, gold bands, dark bands, calyx, legs, collar, collar tails, eye, cheek, crown, crown band
2. **Fishbone stitch**, 3 strands
   Clover florets
3. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Clover stems, wing veins, wing edges, antennae
4. **Split stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaf markings, head, eye
5. **Chain stitch**, 3 strands
   Shoulders
6. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Eye light, lashes
7. **Back stitch**, 3 strands
   Smile
8. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Shoulders, antennae, crown jewels

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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

Satin stitch. 3 strands: clover leaves, wing cells, gold bands, dark bands; 2 strands: calyx, legs, collar, collar tails, eye, cheek, crown, crown band.
Stem stitch. 3 or 4 strands: clover stems; 3 strands: wing veins, wing edges, antennae.
Straight stitch. 3 strands: eye light; 2 strands: lashes.

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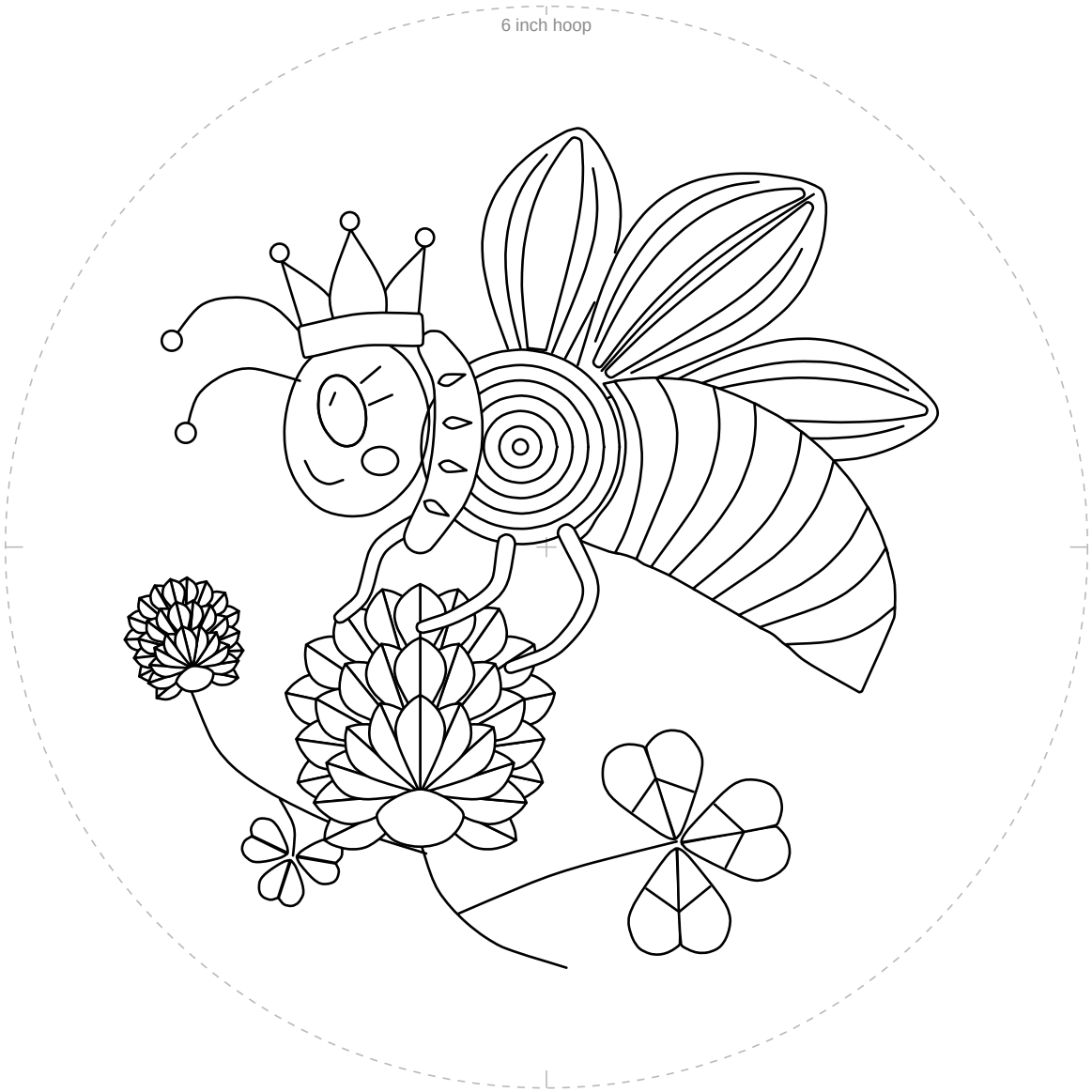
Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

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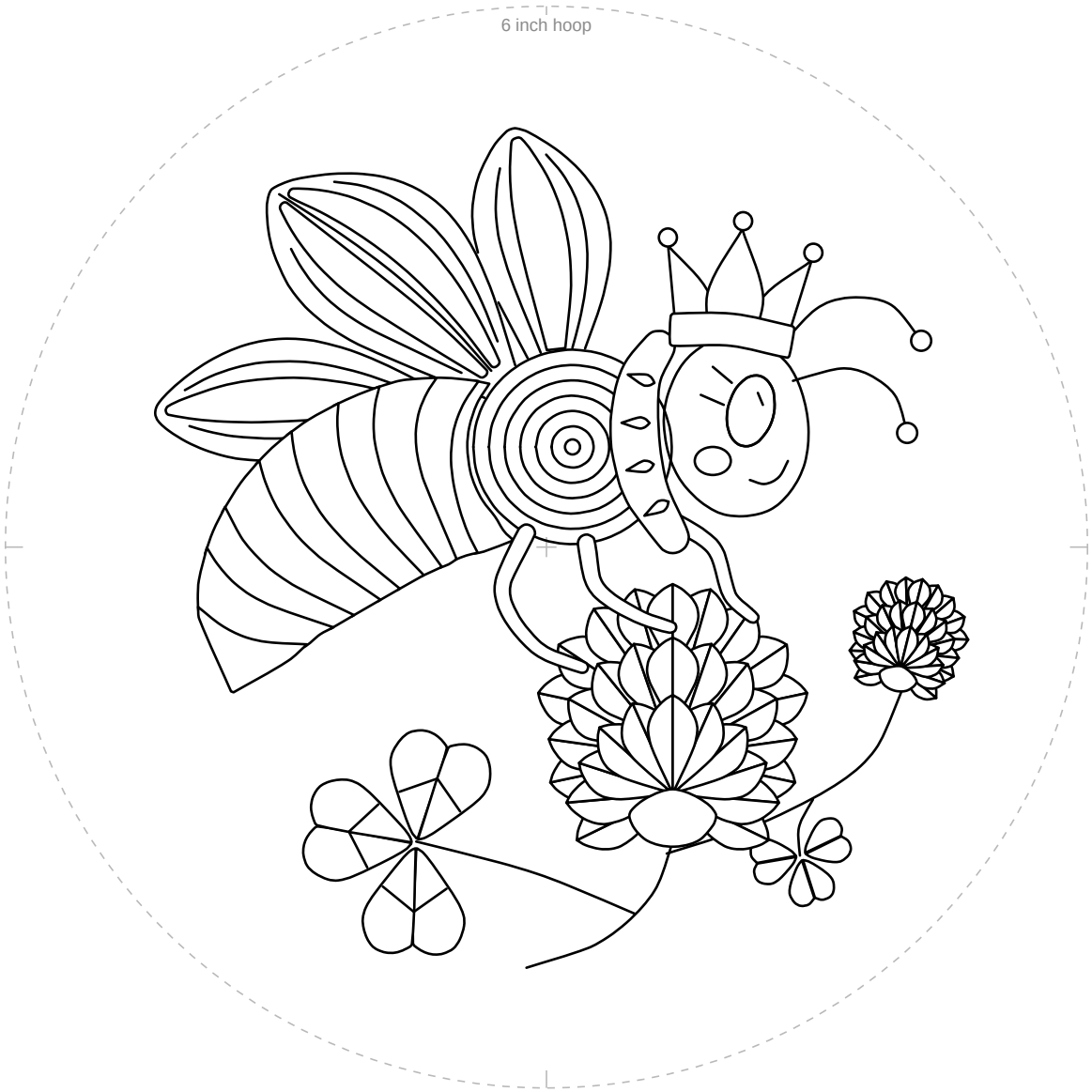
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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