Fantail bird stitch sampler

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.3 × 3.9 in (10.9 × 9.9 cm).



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Feather tips, satin feather, wing feathers, wing coverts, eyebrow, eye ring, eye, bill
- **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
  Chain feathers
- **Herringbone stitch**, 2 strands
  Herringbone feathers
- **Fly stitch**, 2 strands
  Fly stitch feathers
- **Trellis stitch**, 2 strands
  Trellis feathers
- **French knot**, 1 strand, two wraps
  Trellis feathers
- **Blanket stitch**, 2 strands
  Blanket stitch feathers
- **Stem stitch**, 1 to 3 strands
  Feather edges, branch, berry stalks, legs
- **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
  Branch, breast, shoulders, head, throat
- **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
  Leaves
- **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Berries
- **Straight stitch**, 1 to 3 strands
  Feet, eye light, whiskers
- **Split stitch**, 1 strand
  Feather rims

Floss

- **DMC 920 Medium Copper**
  Feather tips and shoulders (middle), chain feathers (darker)
- **DMC 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise**
  Feather tips (dark), fly stitch feathers, leaves (darkest) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Feather tips (light), throat, eyebrow and eye light
- **DMC 3810 Dark Turquoise**
  Leaves (light), blanket stitch feathers and satin feather (lighter)
- **DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Trellis feathers and chain feathers (lighter), berries
- **DMC 918 Dark Red Copper**
  Trellis feathers and wing coverts (darker), herringbone feathers, shoulders (dark)
- **DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray**
  Feather edges, feet and legs, wing feathers (darker), head (dark) and 3 more parts
- **DMC 435 Very Light Brown**
  Wing coverts (lighter), breast (darkest), branch (dark), berry stalks
- **DMC 437 Light Tan** Branch (middle), breast (dark)
- **DMC 738 Very Light Tan**
  Breast and branch (light), feather rims and eye ring
- **DMC 522 Fern Green** Leaves (lightest)
- **DMC 520 Dark Fern Green** Leaves (dark)
- **DMC 712 Cream** Breast (lightest)
- **DMC 413 Dark Pewter Gray**
  Head (middle), wing feathers and bill (lighter)
- **DMC 922 Light Copper** Shoulders (light)
- **DMC 318 Light Steel Gray** Head (light)

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.

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6 inch hoop

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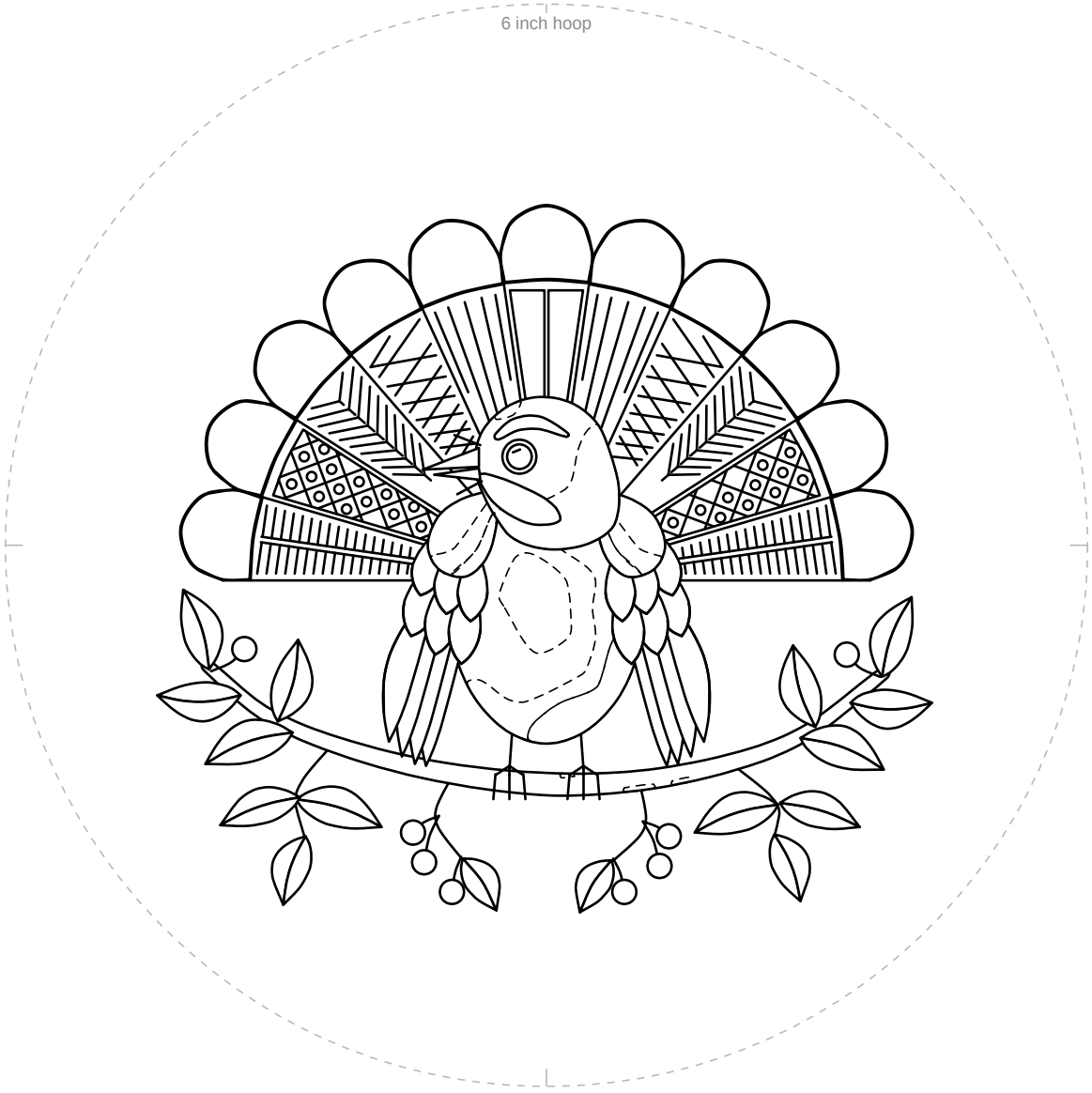

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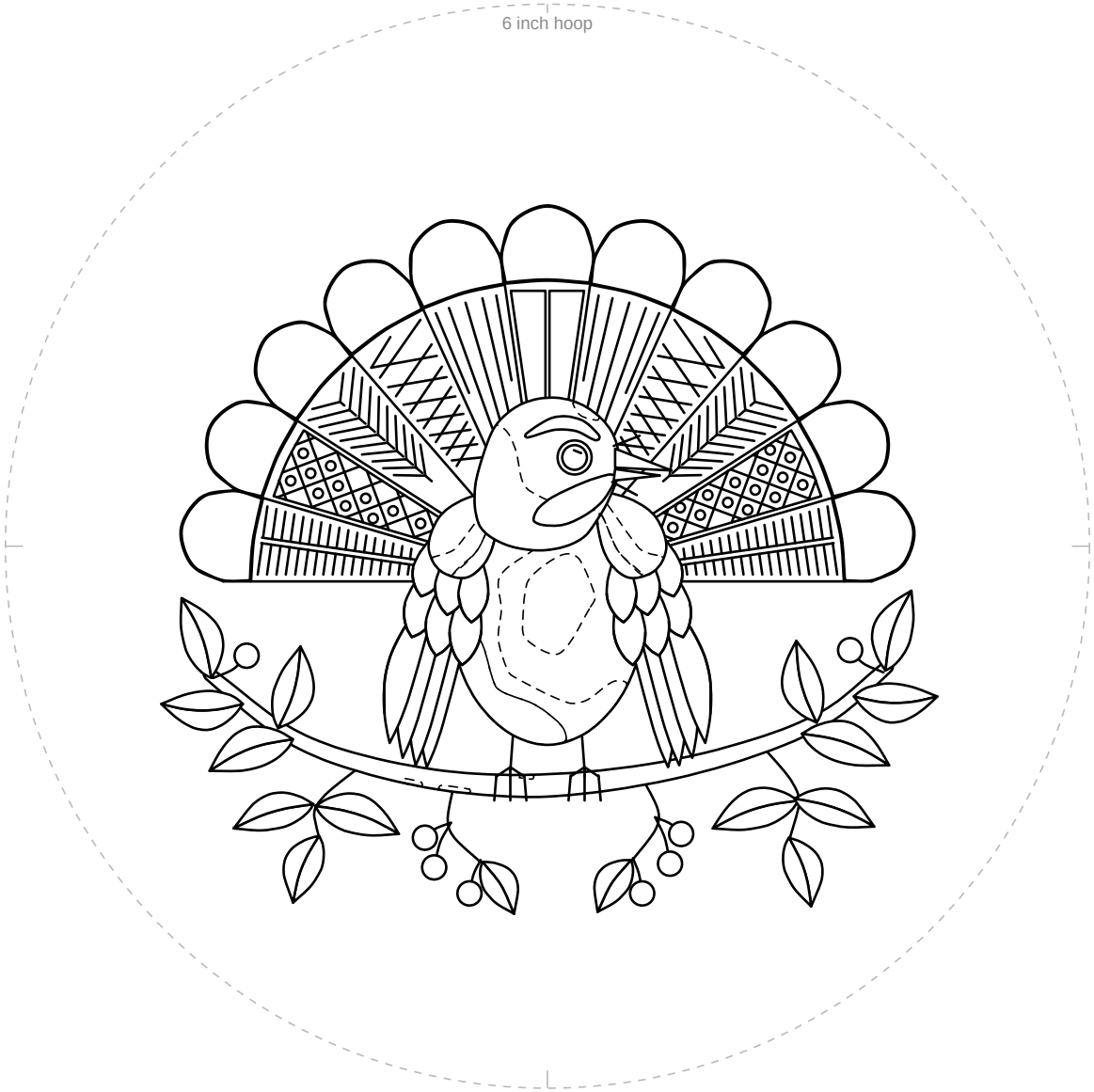
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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