Paw print of five daisies

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.3 × 3.9 in (10.9 × 9.9 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: dark green cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of dark green cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

13 colors of floss (page 2): 2 skeins of DMC 523, 2 of DMC 712 and 2 of DMC BLANC; one of each other color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes).

A white pencil, and small scissors.

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.

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.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands, colors 1, 2
   Leaves
2. **Long and short stitch**
   2 strands, colors 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
   Daisy petals, daisy centers
3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands, color 12
   Ladybug head
4. **Split stitch**, 1 strand, color 2
   Petal edges

Stitch in this order, continued

5. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand, color 12
   Ladybug legs, lines of the ladybug spots
6. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands, color 13
   Ladybug
7. **French knot**, two wraps, colors 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
   2 strands: knots of the daisy centers
   1 strand: knots of the ladybug spots

Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop or sew a pillow.

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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 522 Fern Green	**6**	DMC BLANC White	**11**	DMC 727 Very Light Topaz
2	DMC 523 Light Fern Green	**7**	DMC 782 Dark Topaz	**12**	DMC 3371 Black Brown
3	DMC 712 Cream	**8**	DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz	**13**	DMC 321 Red
4	DMC 3013 Light Khaki Green	**9**	DMC 783 Medium Topaz		
5	DMC 822 Light Beige Gray	**10**	DMC 3821 Straw		

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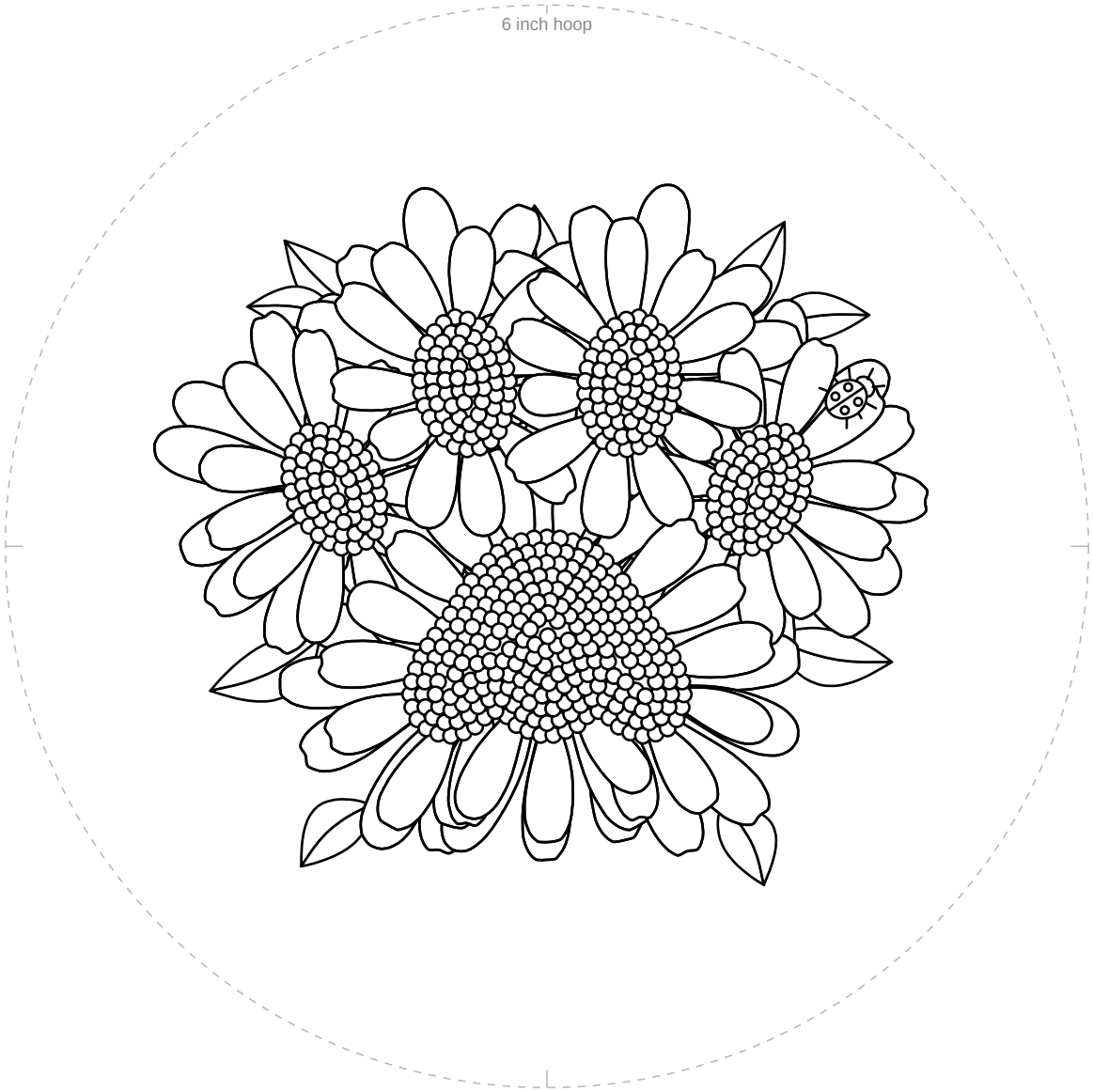
Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.
On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot.



1 in
25.4 mm

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

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