Floral smocked bishop collar

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.6 × 4.5 in (11.7 × 11.4 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: teal cotton or linen.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Scalloped edge, neck frill, sepals, rose hearts, ribbon tails, ribbon knot
2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Collar, buds, roses, ribbon bow
3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Front edges, scallop rims, smocking cord, garland stem, rose hearts
5. **Back stitch**, 3 strands
   Smocking diamonds
6. **Whipped back stitch**, 3 strands
   Neck cord
7. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Petal outlines, ribbon edges, ribbon folds
8. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand
   Rose hearts
9. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Border line
10. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
    Smocking knots, forget-me-nots, forget-me-not hearts

Floss

- **1 DMC 3731 Very Dark Dusty Rose**
  Roses (middle), scallop rims and border line, ribbon tails (light) and 5 more parts
- **2 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Collar (darker), scalloped edge and neck frill, neck cord (lighter)
- **3 DMC 3756 Ultra Very Light Baby Blue**
  Collar (lighter)
- **4 DMC 312 Very Dark Baby Blue**
  Smocking diamonds, neck cord (darker)
- **5 DMC 3733 Dusty Rose**
  Roses (light), smocking knots (lighter)
- **6 DMC 334 Medium Baby Blue** Smocking cord
- **7 DMC 520 Dark Fern Green**
  Leaves and garland stem (darker), sepals
- **8 DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green**
  Garland stem (lighter)
- **9 DMC 3364 Pine Green** Leaves (lighter)
- **10 DMC 3350 Ultra Dark Dusty Rose**
  Petal outlines (lighter), roses (dark), ribbon bow (middle) and 3 more parts
- **11 DMC 3685 Very Dark Mauve**
  Petal outlines (darker), ribbon edges, ribbon bow (dark) and 6 more parts
- **12 DMC 3689 Light Mauve**
  Roses (lightest), rose hearts (lighter)
- **13 DMC 3325 Light Baby Blue** Forget-me-nots
- **14 DMC 725 Medium Light Topaz**
  Forget-me-not hearts

Three ways onto dark fabric

1. **Light shines through it**
   Lay page 3 on a bright light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a white marking pencil or pen.
2. **No light shines through**
   Print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, smooth it onto fabric that can be washed, stitch through both and rinse it away.
3. **White or yellow carbon paper**
   Lay it colored side down on the fabric with page 3 on top, tape the layers and trace firmly with a ballpoint pen. Go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Page 3 is the pattern at actual size (page 4 is its mirror, for an iron-on pen on a light fabric). Print it at 100% with scaling turned off. Then put the fabric in the hoop: inner ring under, drawing up, tight as a drum.

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6 inch hoop

How to read it

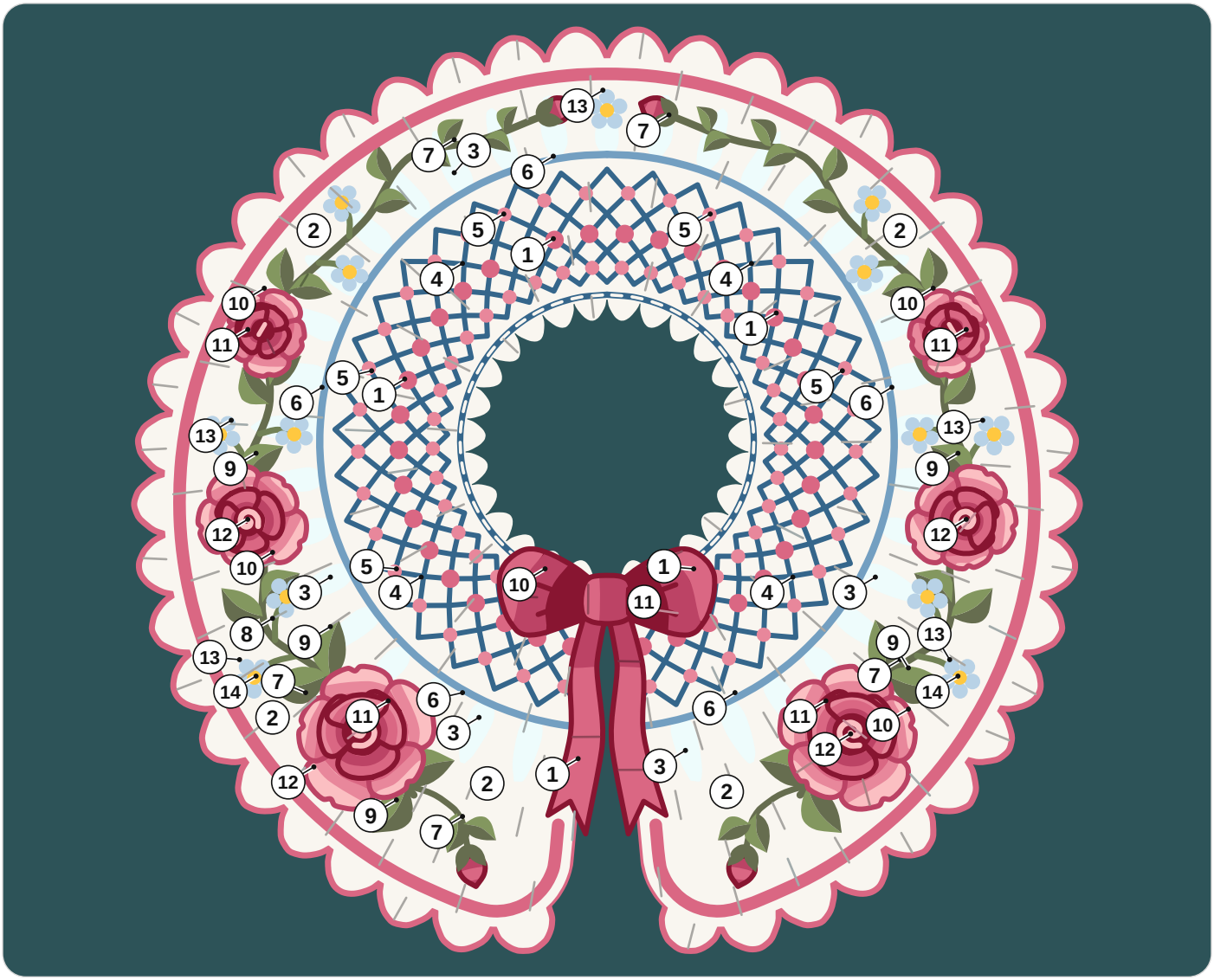
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

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 dashed line is whipped back stitch. A fine broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.

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

Stem stitch. 3 strands: smocking cord; 2 or 3 strands: garland stem; 2 strands: front edges, scallop rims; 1 strand: rose hearts.
Split stitch. 1 or 2 strands: ribbon edges; 1 strand: petal outlines, ribbon folds.

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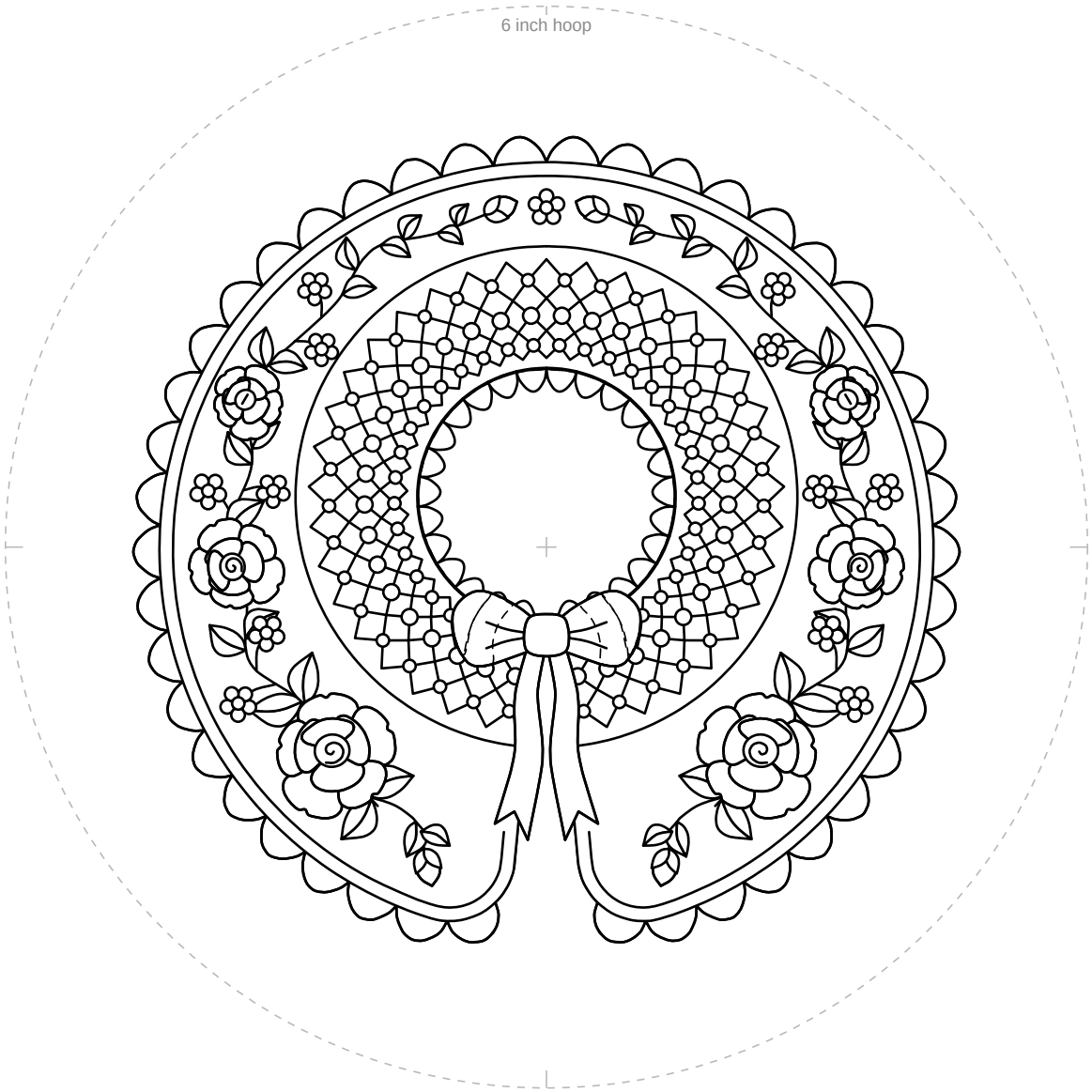
Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

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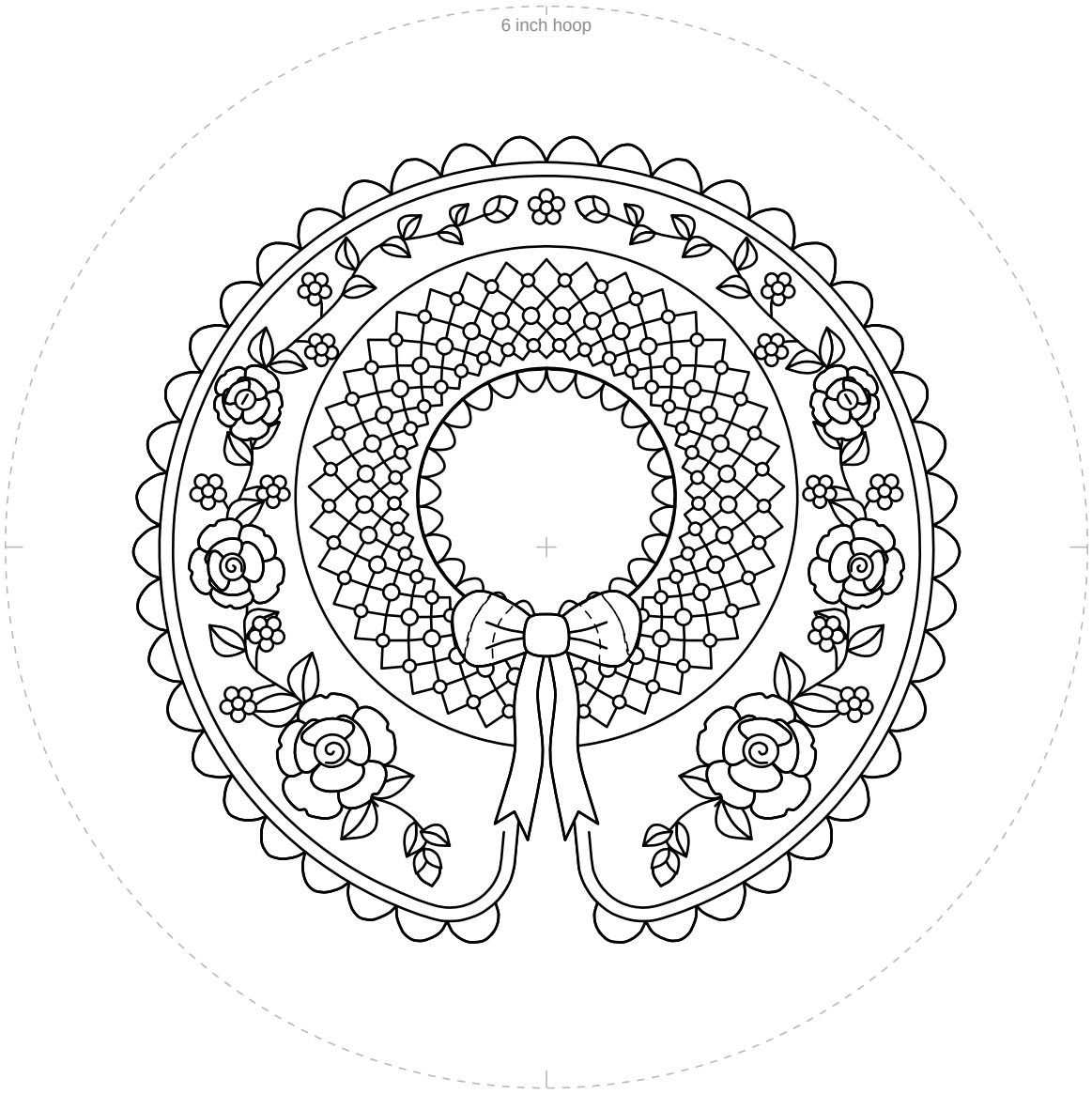
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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