Flower sprays for a denim shirt

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.7 × 4.5 in (11.9 × 11.4 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: denim blue 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
   Wheat grains, daisy back petals, daisy petals, daisy hearts, bud cases
2. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves
3. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Poppy petals, poppy blotches, bud petals
4. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Poppy heart
5. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Bud stems, stems, wheat stems, sprig stems, main stems, heart edge
6. **Straight stitch**, 3 strands
   Wheat beards, stamens, heart rays
7. **Back stitch**, 3 strands
   Sprig stems
8. **Split stitch**, 3 strands
   Poppy edges
9. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Sprig knots, stamen knots, daisy hearts

Floss

- 1 **DMC 470 Light Avocado Green**
  Stems, sprig stems, bud stems and main stems, leaves (dark)
- 2 **DMC 783 Medium Topaz**
  Daisy hearts (middle), stamen knots (darker), wheat stems
- 3 **DMC 3822 Light Straw**
  Wheat beards, wheat grains (lighter)
- 4 **DMC 3820 Dark Straw** Wheat grains (darker)
- 5 **DMC 598 Light Turquoise** Sprig knots (darker)
- 6 **DMC 725 Medium Light Topaz**
  Stamen knots and sprig knots (lighter), daisy hearts (light)
- 7 **DMC 471 Very Light Avocado Green**
  Leaves (middle), poppy heart, bud cases (lighter)
- 8 **DMC 472 Ultra Light Avocado Green**
  Leaves (light)
- 9 **DMC 815 Medium Garnet**
  Poppy petals (darkest), bud petals (dark)
- 10 **DMC 347 Very Dark Salmon**
  Poppy petals (dark), bud petals (middle)
- 11 **DMC 350 Medium Coral**
  Poppy petals (middle), bud petals (light)
- 12 **DMC 351 Coral**
  Poppy petals (light), poppy edges (darker)
- 13 **DMC 352 Light Coral**
  Poppy edges (lighter), poppy petals (lightest)
- 14 **DMC 3371 Black Brown** Poppy blotches (darker)
- 15 **DMC 154 Very Dark Grape**
  Stamens, poppy blotches (lighter)
- 16 **DMC 165 Very Light Moss Green** Heart rays
- 17 **DMC 469 Avocado Green**
  Heart edge, bud cases (darker)
- 18 **DMC 415 Pearl Gray** Daisy back petals
- 19 **DMC 3865 Winter White** Daisy petals
- 20 **DMC 782 Dark Topaz** Daisy hearts (dark)

Two ways onto denim

1. **A wash-away sheet, the sure way**
   Print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, smooth it onto the denim, stitch through both and rinse it away.

2. **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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How to read it

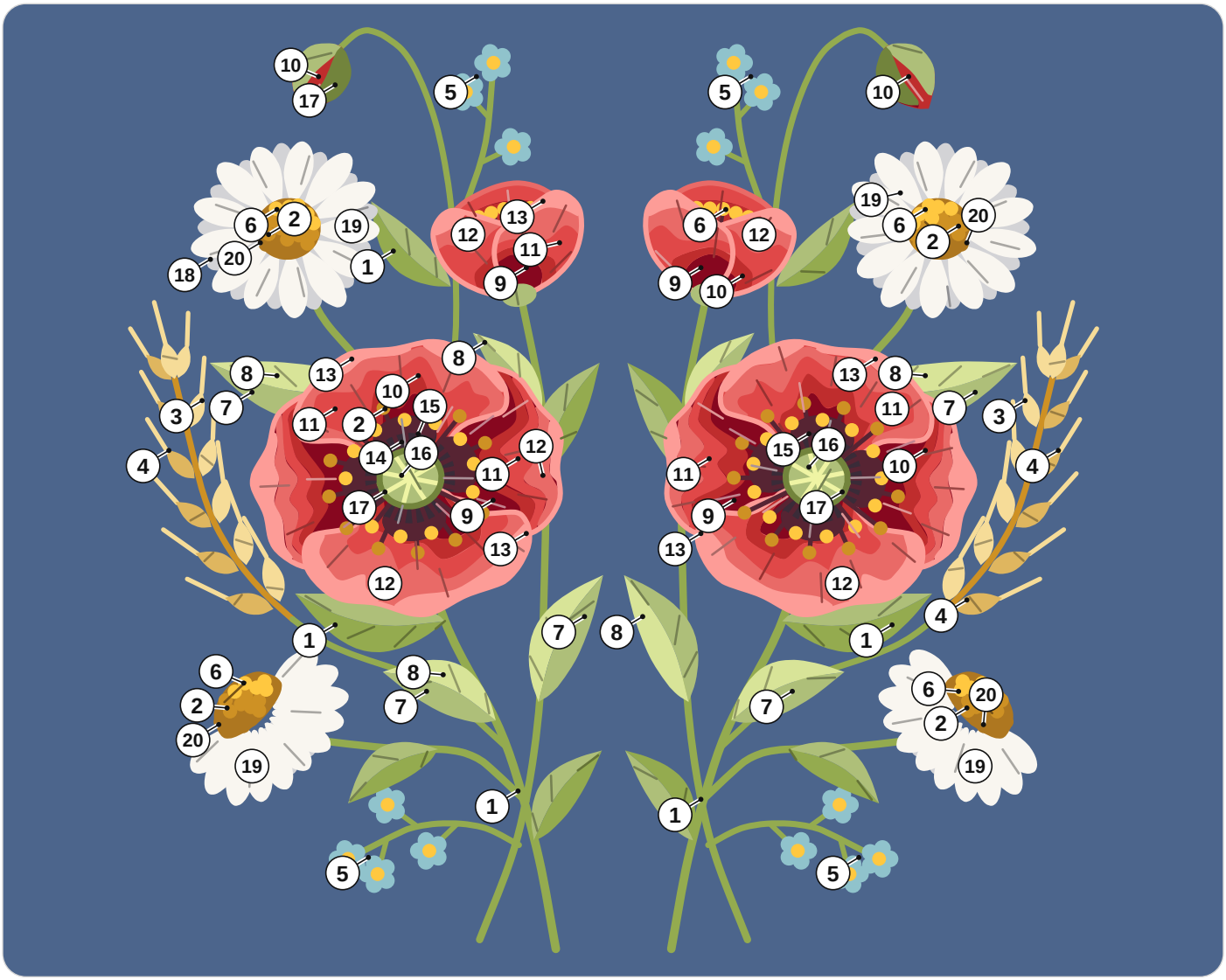
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

On denim start with a small firm knot inside, which the cloth hides; inside a filled shape take two or three tiny stitches instead. End each thread by running the needle under the backs of a few stitches.

Each small ring is one French knot. 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

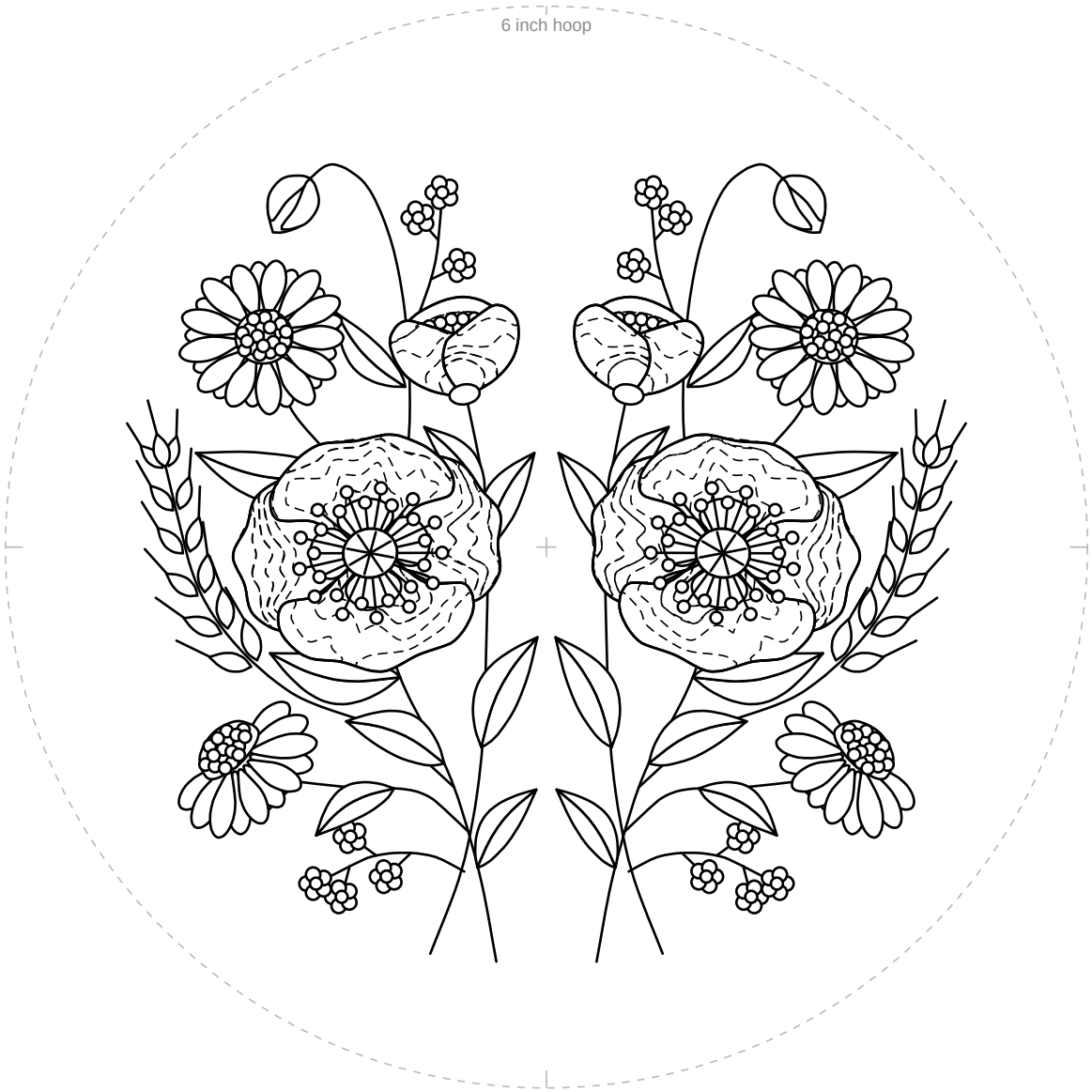
Stem stitch. 4 strands: main stems; 3 strands: stems, bud stems, wheat stems, sprig stems, heart edge.

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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

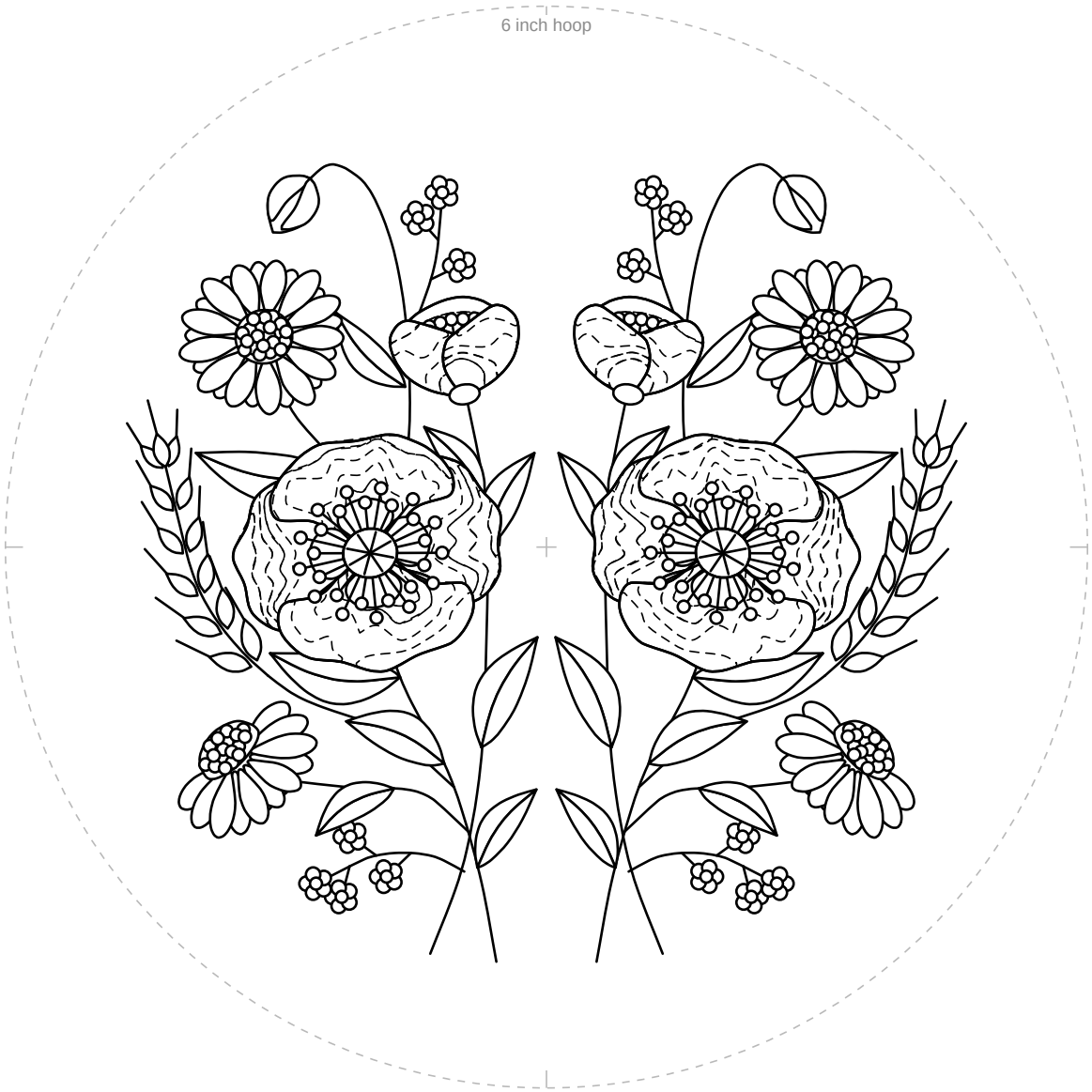
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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