Folk Christmas tree ornament

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



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Candy twist band, boughs, pears, bells, hearts, trunk, star, tulips, urn, urn rim, urn foot, heart, birds, wings, beaks
2. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves, pear leaves, tulip leaves
3. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Berries
4. **Back stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Inner ring, hangers
5. **Chain stitch**, 3 strands
   Outer ring
6. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Boughs, bough light line, bell bands, tulip stems, urn scallops
7. **Fly stitch**, 2 strands
   Trunk
8. **Straight stitch**, 3 strands
   Bird legs
9. **French knot**
   strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Bells, bird eyes

Floss

- **1 DMC 321 Red**
  Candy twist band, urn, pears, berries and hearts, tulips (darker)
- **2 DMC 336 Navy Blue**
  Inner ring and birds
- **3 DMC 815 Medium Garnet**
  Outer ring, urn rim, urn foot and bell bands, bells (darker)
- **4 DMC 501 Dark Blue Green**
  Boughs and tulip stems, leaves, trunk, tulip leaves and pear leaves (darker)
- **5 DMC 3364 Pine Green**
  Bough light line, leaves, trunk, tulip leaves and pear leaves (lighter)
- **6 DMC 783 Medium Topaz**
  Bells (lighter), star, hangers, bird legs and beaks
- **7 DMC 760 Salmon**
  Tulips (lighter), wings
- **8 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Urn scallops, heart and bird eyes

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.

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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.

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

Back stitch. 3 strands: hangers; 2 strands: inner ring.
Stem stitch. 4 strands: tulip stems; 2 strands: boughs, bough light line, bell bands, urn scallops.
French knot. 2 strands: bells; 1 strand: bird eyes.

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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

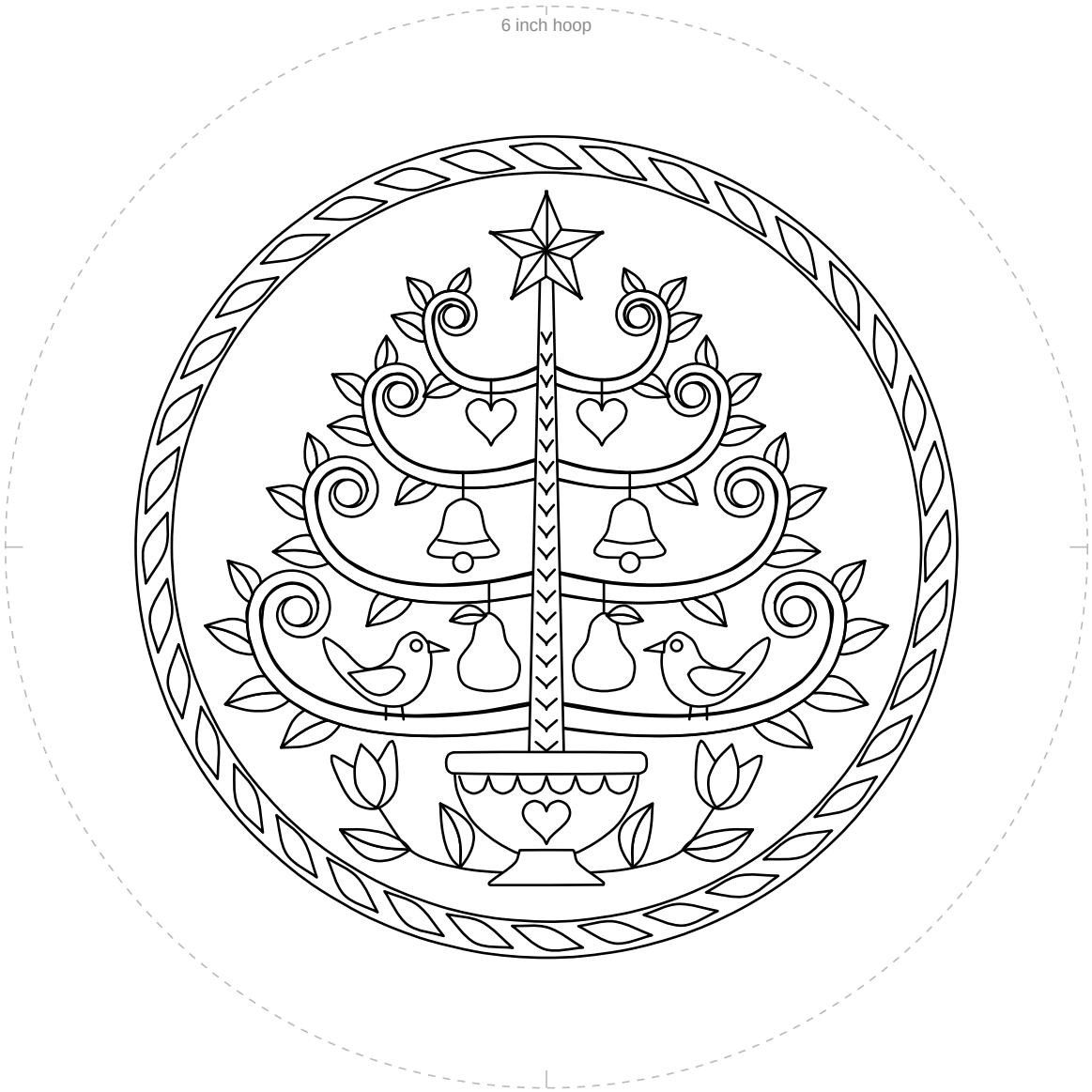
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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