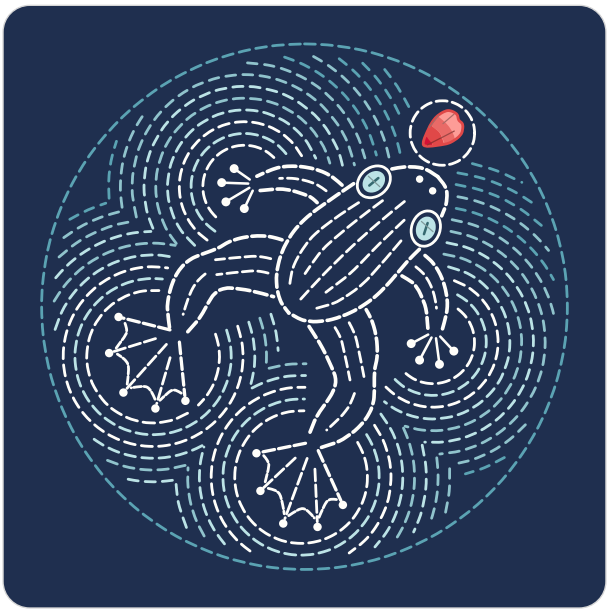
Frog swimming in ripples

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.7 × 4.7 in (11.9 × 11.9 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: indigo cotton or linen.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Eyes



2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Petal



3. **Running stitch**
   2 strands: ripples, rim, arm rows, leg rows, back rows
   3 strands: petal ring, webbed feet, webs
   6 strands: arms, legs, back

4. **Straight stitch**, 3 strands
   Fingers, pupils



5. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Lines of the eyes

6. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Petal edge

7. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Toe pads, nostrils



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

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.

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.

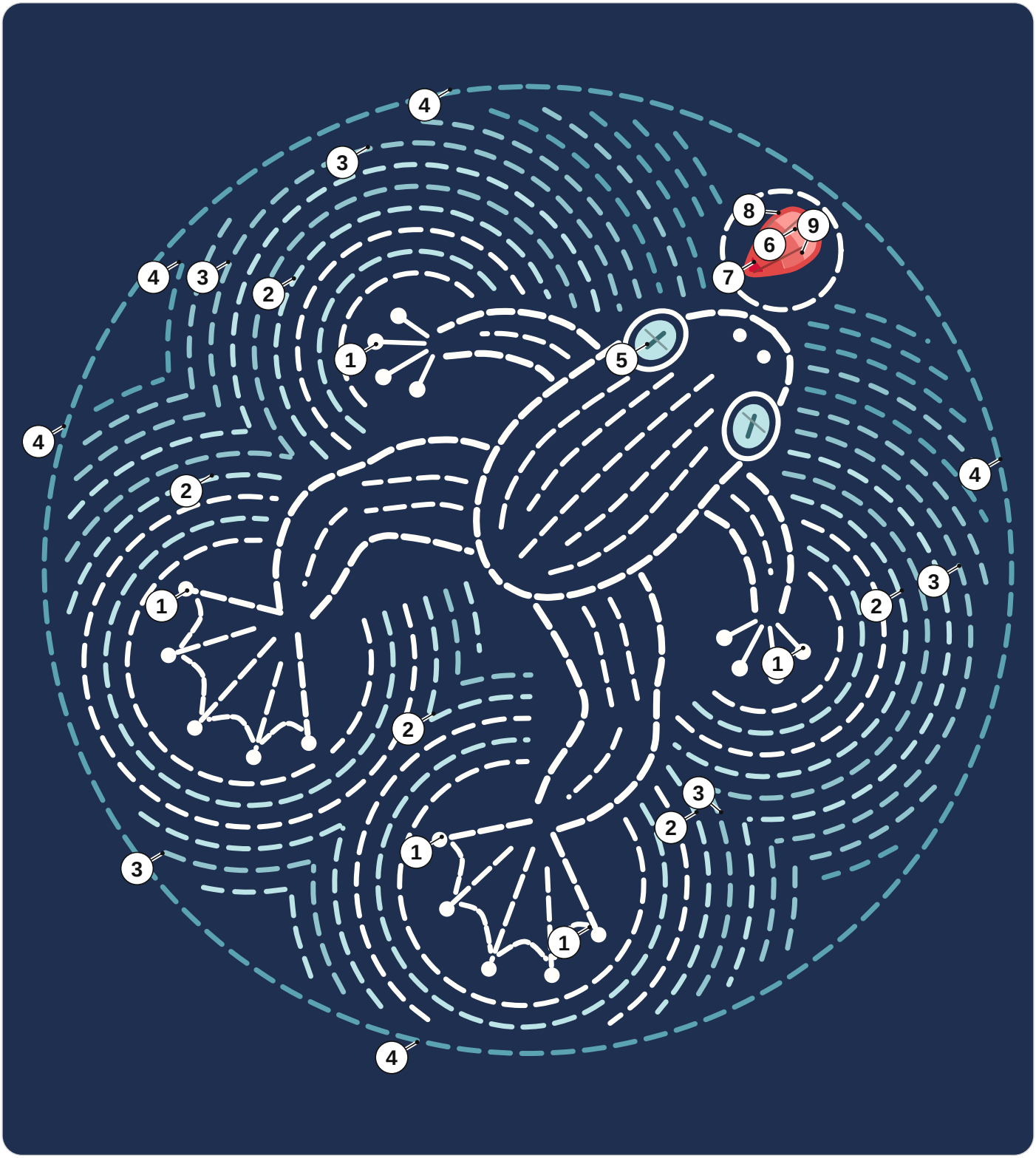
Buy: 9 colors of floss (page 2), one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), embroidery needles size 9, and size 3 for 4 to 6 strands, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of indigo cotton or linen, a white pencil.

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6 inch hoop

A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



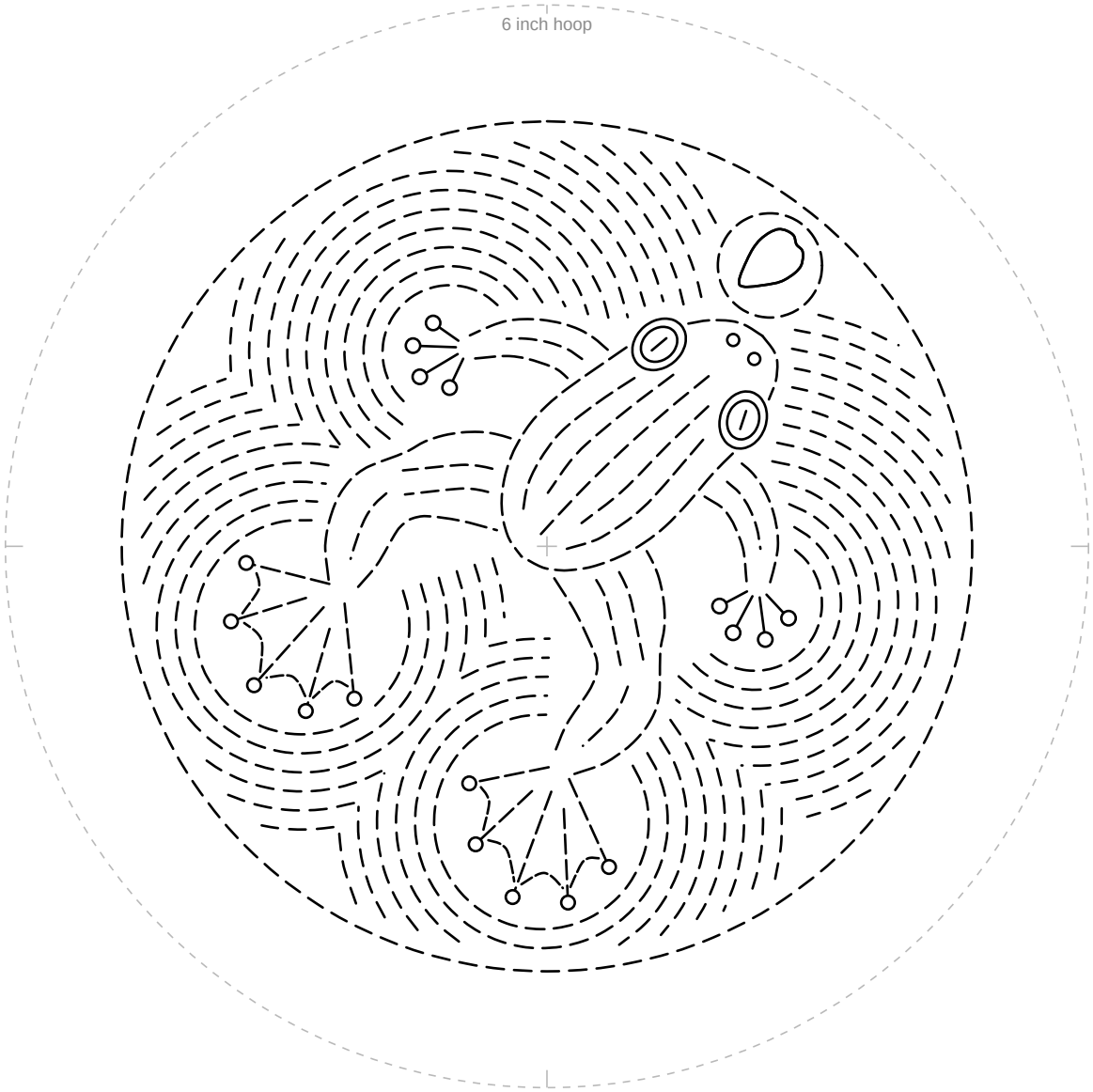
1	DMC BLANC White	**4**	DMC 597 Turquoise	**7**	DMC 349 Dark Coral
2	DMC 3811 Very Light Turquoise	**5**	DMC 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	**8**	DMC 350 Medium Coral
3	DMC 598 Light Turquoise	**6**	DMC 352 Light Coral	**9**	DMC 351 Coral

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6 inch hoop

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; a dashed line is running stitch.



1 in
25.4 mm

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

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