Gemini zodiac sign

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.6 × 4.4 in (11.7 × 11.2 cm)



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

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

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

An embroidery needle, size 9.

16 colors of floss (page 2): one skein of each 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. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand, colors 1, 2, 3, 4
   Necks, faces



2. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16
   Eyelids, lips, chokers, teal hair, daisies, copper hair, gemini sign, stars



3. **Split stitch**, 1 strand, color 1
   Face edge

4. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands, color 6
   Lashes (color 6), brows

5. **Back stitch**, colors 1, 6
   2 strands: nostrils
   1 strand: mouth line

6. **Straight stitch**
   2 strands, colors 6, 12
   Lashes (color 6), star rays



7. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps, color 8
   Daisy centers



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 3064 Desert Sand	**7**	DMC 347 Very Dark Salmon	**13**	DMC 922 Light Copper
2	DMC 3771 Ultra Very Light Terra Cotta	**8**	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	**14**	DMC 3854 Medium Autumn Gold
3	DMC 3856 Ultra Very Light Mahogany	**9**	DMC 3766 Light Peacock Blue	**15**	DMC 919 Red Copper
4	DMC 951 Light Tawny	**10**	DMC 3765 Very Dark Peacock Blue	**16**	DMC 3855 Light Autumn Gold
5	DMC 807 Peacock Blue	**11**	DMC 747 Very Light Sky Blue		
6	DMC 3371 Black Brown	**12**	DMC 3865 Winter White		

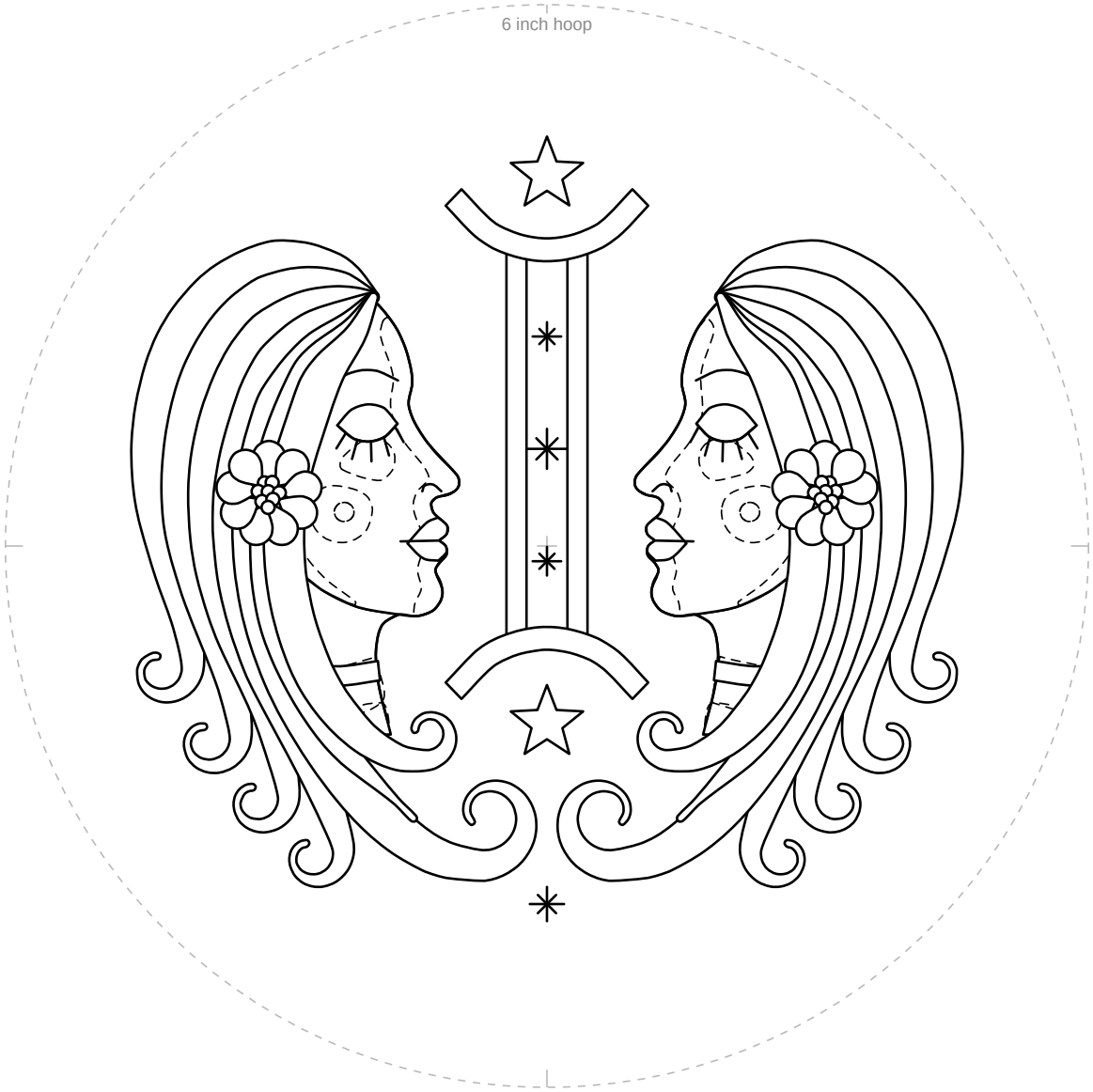
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Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot; a broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



1 in
25.4 mm

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

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