# Iced gingerbread star

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 2.5 × 3.1 in (6.4 × 7.9 cm)




A number is a row of the list.
Fabric: dark green cotton or linen.

## What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

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

An embroidery needle, size 7.

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 2 on a bright light, the fabric over it; trace with a white pencil.

Other fabric: print page 2 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 2 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.

## Floss

**DMC 321 Red**
Ribbon loop, bow and red candy

**DMC 977 Light Golden Brown**
Light facets

**DMC 300 Very Dark Mahogany**
Dark facets and rim

**DMC 3865 Winter White**
Icing whipping, icing line, snowflake arms, snowflake tips, snowflake knots and snowflake rays

## Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Satin stitch**
   3 strands: ribbon loop
   2 strands: bow, light facets, dark facets



2. **Split stitch**, 2 strands
   Rim



3. **Chain stitch**, 3 strands
   Icing line



4. **Straight stitch**
   3 strands: icing whipping, snowflake tips
   2 strands: snowflake rays



5. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 3 strands
   Snowflake arms



6. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Red candy, bow



7. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Snowflake knots



Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop.



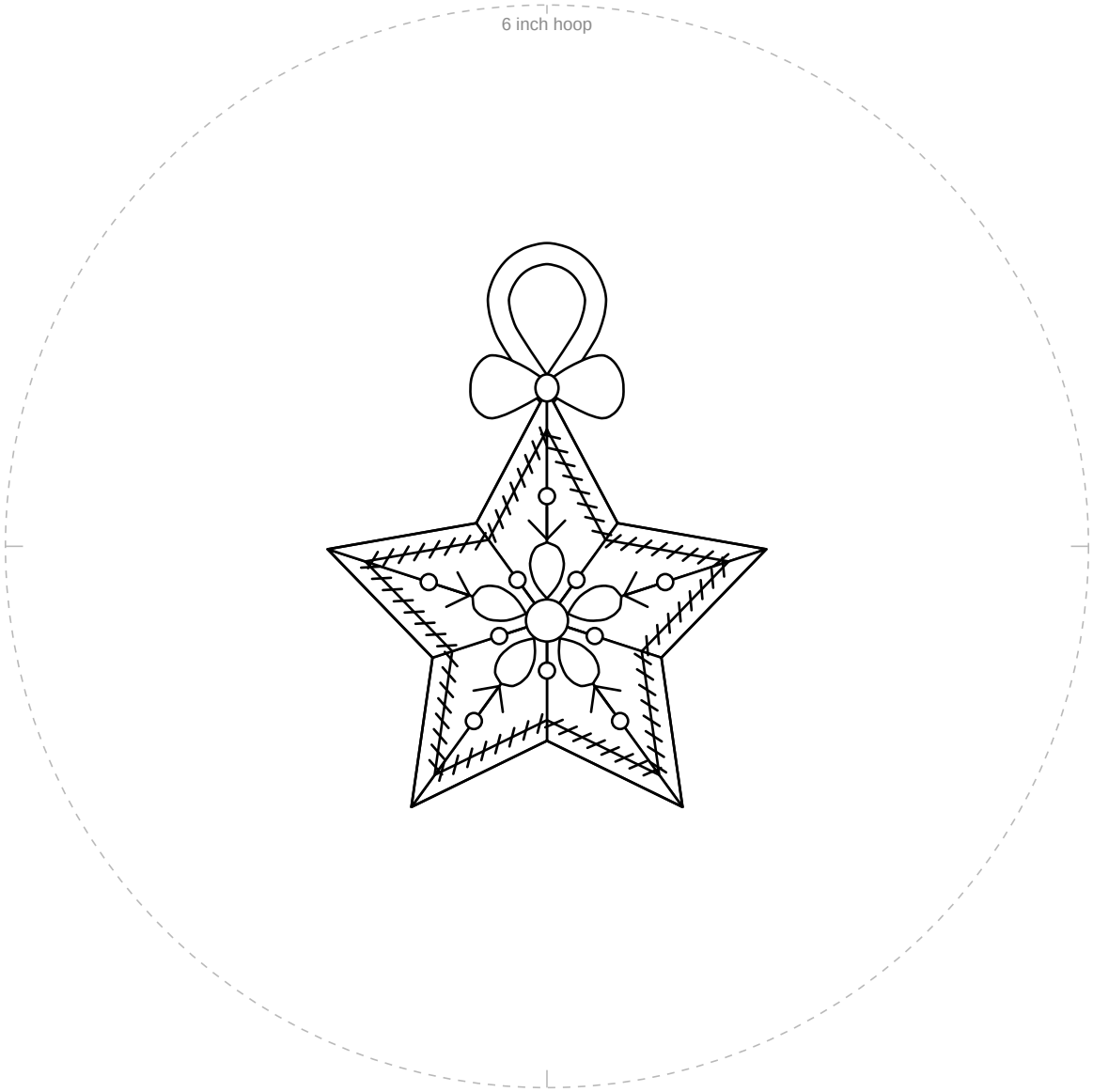
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**6 inch hoop**

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 loop is one lazy daisy, begun at its point.




**1 in**
25.4 mm

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



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