Grizzly bears fishing for salmon

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



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: pale blue cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

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

An embroidery needle, size 9.

24 colors of floss (page 2): one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes).

A water-soluble pen, and small scissors.

Onto the fabric

Fabric you can see through: page 3 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 4, the mirrored page, and press it ink side down as the pen's packet says. The lines stay.

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
   Sky, sun, mountains, far spruces, spruces, river, waterfall (color 12), pool, far legs, boulder, body, ears, head, rocks, cubs, muzzles (color 21), foam, salmon, salmon head (color 23)



2. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 1, 3, 4, 5, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24
   Sun on the water, waterfall (color 12), mouth, tongue, nose, eyes, inner ears, noses, mouths, muzzles (color 18), ripples, salmon fins, salmon mouth, salmon head (color 23), salmon eye



3. **Split stitch**
   1 strand, colors 14, 15, 18
   Brow, edges of the mouths

4. **Straight stitch**
   colors 1, 5, 6, 13, 15, 17, 18, 21
   2 strands: teeth, eye highlights, light on the coat
   1 strand: nose highlight, claws, toes



5. **Fly stitch**, 1 strand, color 8
   Birds far off



6. **Stem stitch**
   colors 8, 12, 13, 15, 24
   2 strands: lines of the ripples, lip, salmon gill
   3 strands: edge

7. **French knot**
   two wraps, colors 3, 12, 13, 15, 22, 23
   1 strand: froth, moss, salmon spots, knots of the salmon eye
   2 strands: knots of the foam



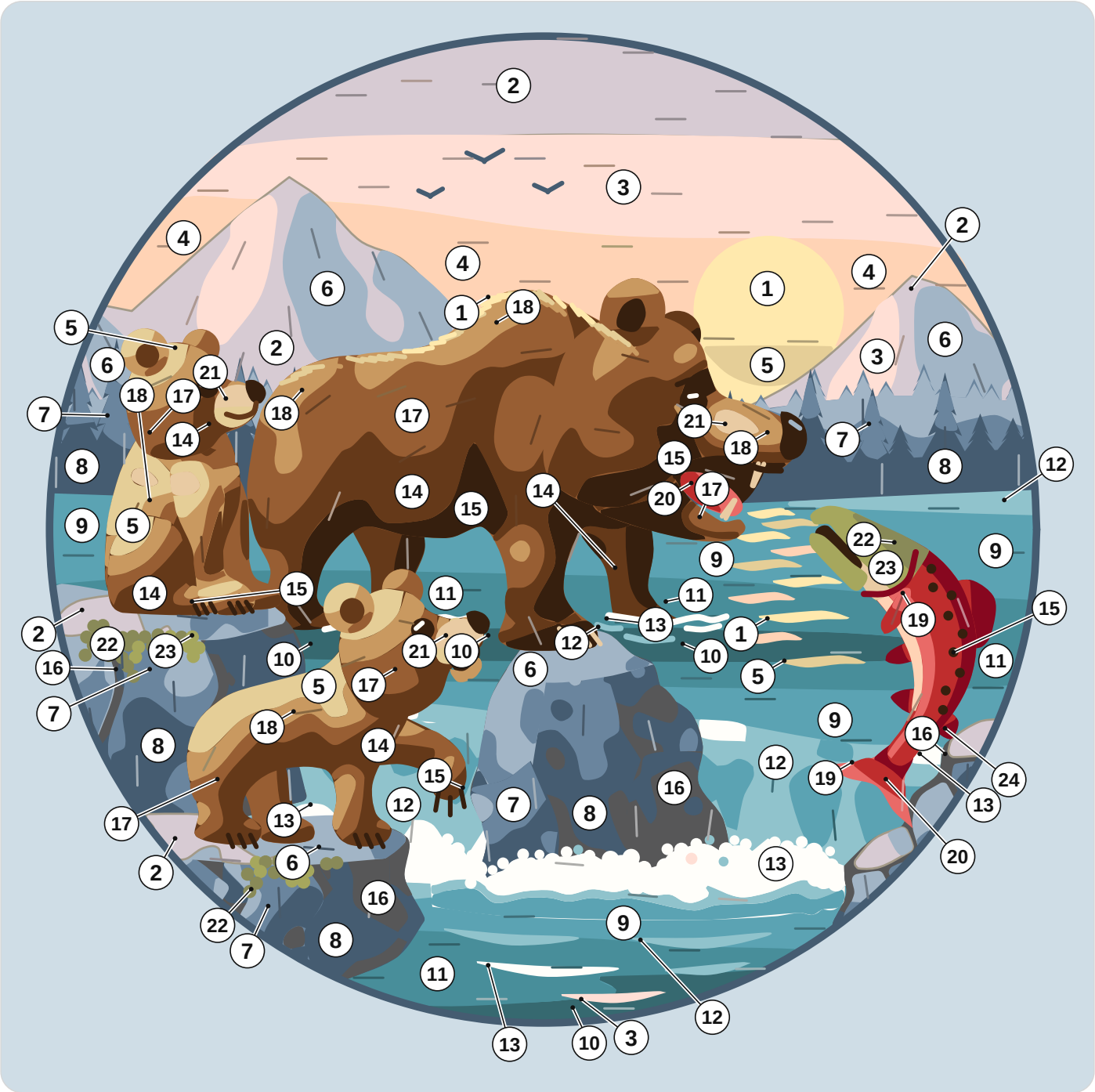
Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop.

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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 745 Light Pale Yellow	9	DMC 597 Turquoise	17	DMC 434 Light Brown
2	DMC 3743 Very Light Antique Violet	10	DMC 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	18	DMC 436 Tan
3	DMC 225 Ultra Very Light Shell Pink	11	DMC 3810 Dark Turquoise	19	DMC 351 Coral
4	DMC 3856 Ultra Very Light Mahogany	12	DMC 598 Light Turquoise	20	DMC 347 Very Dark Salmon
5	DMC 676 Light Old Gold	13	DMC BLANC White	21	DMC 738 Very Light Tan
6	DMC 932 Light Antique Blue	14	DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown	22	DMC 3011 Dark Khaki Green
7	DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue	15	DMC 938 Ultra Dark Coffee Brown	23	DMC 3012 Medium Khaki Green
8	DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue	16	DMC 413 Dark Pewter Gray	24	DMC 815 Medium Garnet

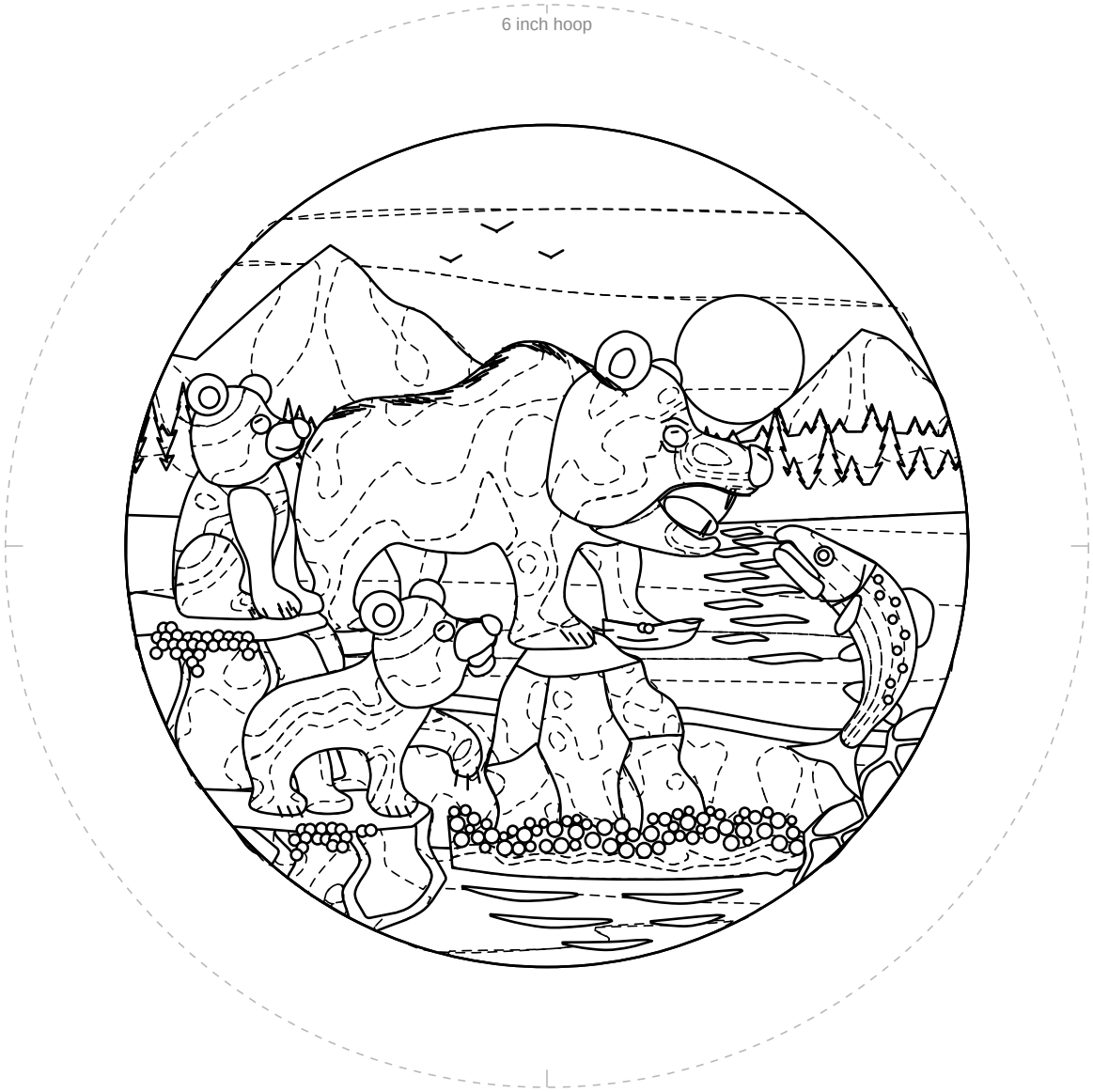
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Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

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.



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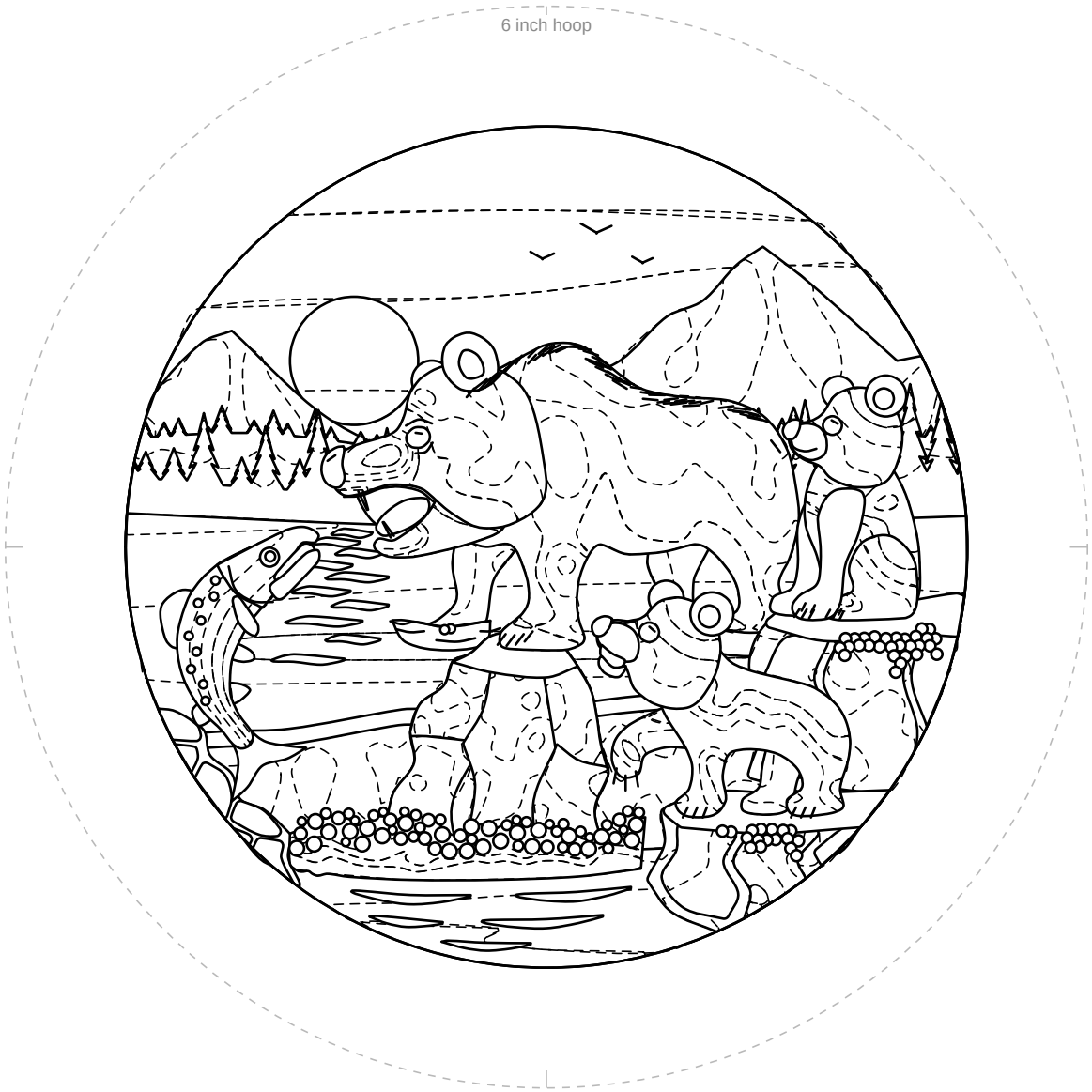
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