Jack-o’-lantern with a mouse inside

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 5 × 4.8 in (12.7 × 12.2 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: navy cotton or linen.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Thorns, binding, lid edge, stalk, cut edge, carving walls, glowing face, mouse ears, muzzle, mouse eyes, paws
2. **Long and short stitch**, 2 strands
   Shadow, candle glow, lid, mouse, pumpkin ribs, mouse arms
3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Vine leaf
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Canes, vine, vine leaf
5. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Rib seams, carving edge, mouth, mouse edge
6. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Eye lights, whiskers, fingers
7. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Nose

Floss

- **1 DMC 3042 Light Antique Violet**
  Mouse and mouse ears (light), thorns and paws, mouse arms and vine leaf (lighter)
- **2 DMC 3740 Dark Antique Violet**
  Canes and shadow (darker), mouse and mouse ears (dark), mouse edge and 3 more parts
- **3 DMC 3041 Medium Antique Violet**
  Canes and shadow (lighter), mouse and mouse ears (middle), mouse arms (darker)
- **4 DMC 920 Medium Copper**
  Pumpkin ribs and lid (dark), rib seams, carving walls, carving edge and binding
- **5 DMC 3821 Straw**
  Glowing face and lid edge, candle glow and cut edge (lighter)
- **6 DMC 741 Medium Tangerine**
  Pumpkin ribs and lid (light), candle glow and cut edge (darker)
- **7 DMC 732 Olive Green**
  Vine, stalk (lighter), vine leaf (darker)
- **8 DMC 720 Dark Orange Spice**
  Pumpkin ribs and lid (middle), nose
- **9 DMC 712 Cream**
  Muzzle, whiskers and eye lights
- **10 DMC 310 Black**
  Mouse eyes

Three ways onto dark fabric

1. **Light shines through it**
   Lay page 3 on a bright light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a white marking pencil or pen.
2. **No light shines through**
   Print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, smooth it onto fabric that can be washed, stitch through both and rinse it away.
3. **White or yellow carbon paper**
   Lay it colored side down on the fabric with page 3 on top, tape the layers and trace firmly with a ballpoint pen. Go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Page 3 is the pattern at actual size (page 4 is its mirror, for an iron-on pen on a light fabric). Print it 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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6 inch hoop

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 fine broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.

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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4	DMC 920 Medium Copper	**8**	DMC 720 Dark Orange Spice		

How many strands

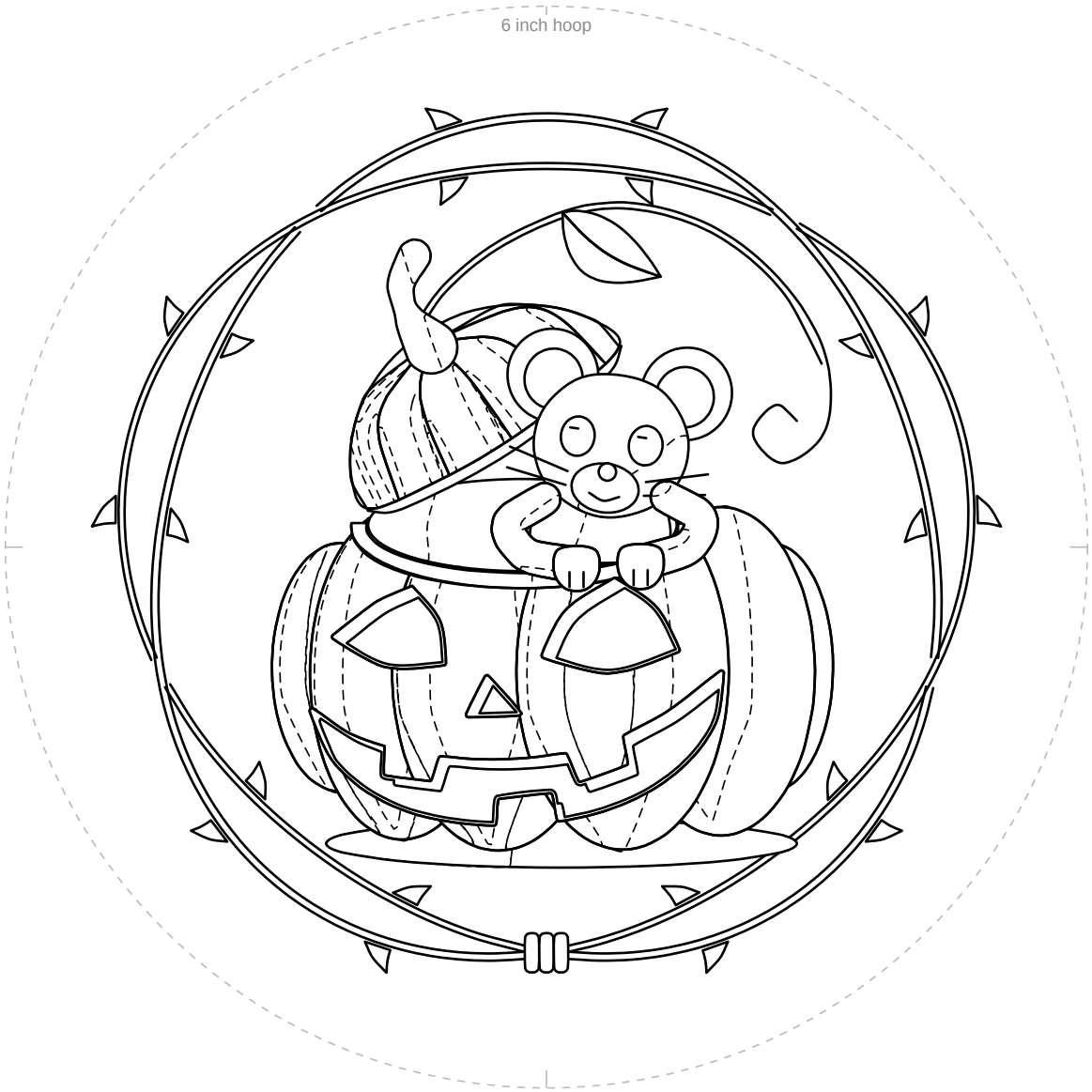
Stem stitch. 2 or 3 strands: canes, vine; 1 strand: vine leaf.
Straight stitch. 2 strands: eye lights; 1 strand: whiskers, fingers.

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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

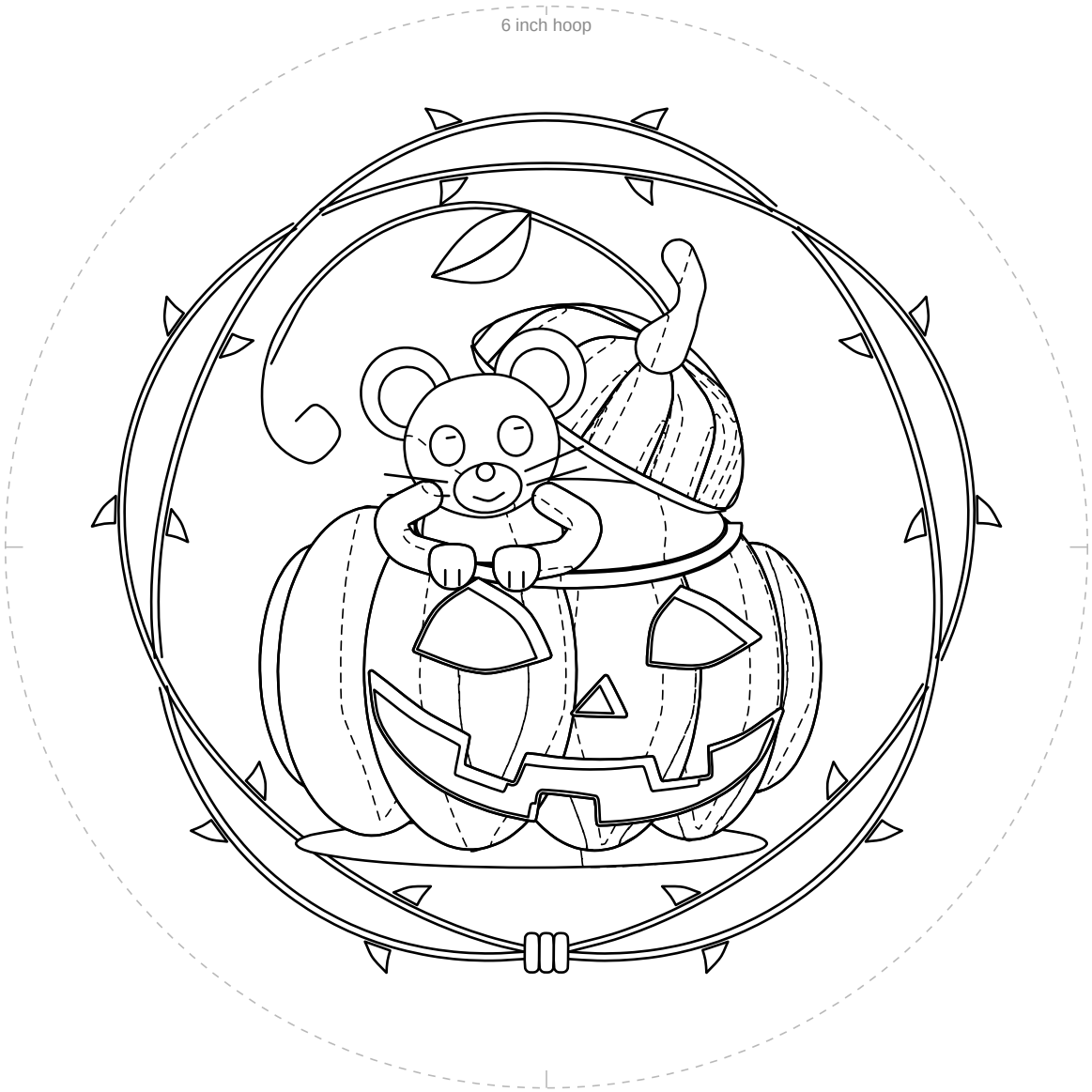
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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