Japanese bats and full moon, silk look

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.5 × 4.2 in (11.4 × 10.7 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. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Pampas stems

2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Moon, pewter bat fur, banking bat fur, wide bat fur



3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Pewter bat wings, pewter bat ears, banking bat wings, banking bat ears, wide bat wings, wide bat ears, pampas leaves



4. **Stem stitch**, 1 strand
   Plumes (colors 1, 2 and 3)

5. **Fly stitch**, 1 strand
   Plumes (colors 1, 2 and 3)



6. **Couching**
   2 strands: mist edges, gold finger lines (colors 4 and 5)
   3 strands: moon rim



7. **Straight stitch**
   1 strand: plumes (colors 1, 2 and 3)
   2 strands: gold finger lines (color 4)



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.

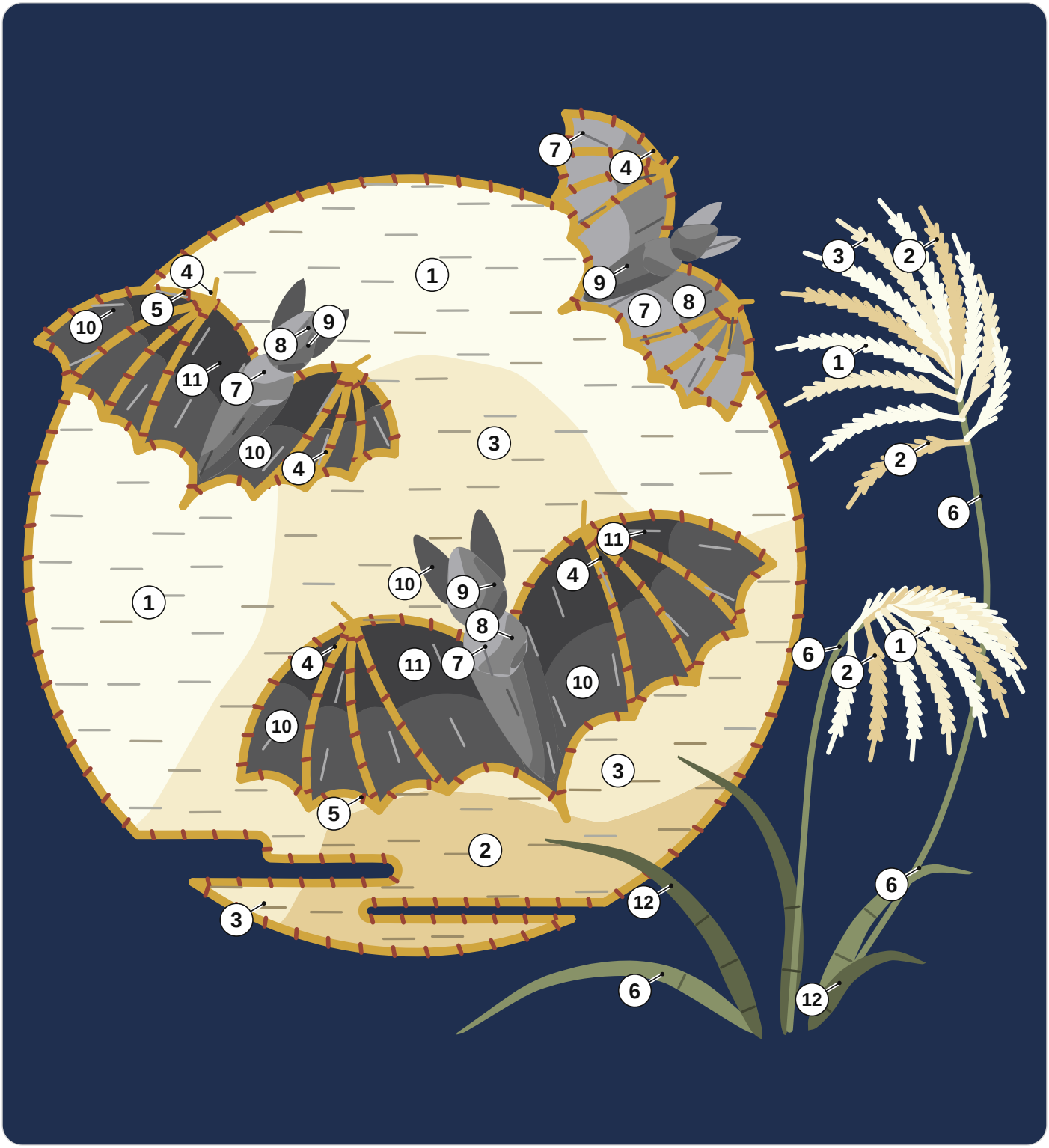
Buy: 12 colors of floss (page 2), 2 skeins of DMC 746; one of each other color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), an embroidery needle size 9, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of indigo cotton or linen, a white pencil.

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



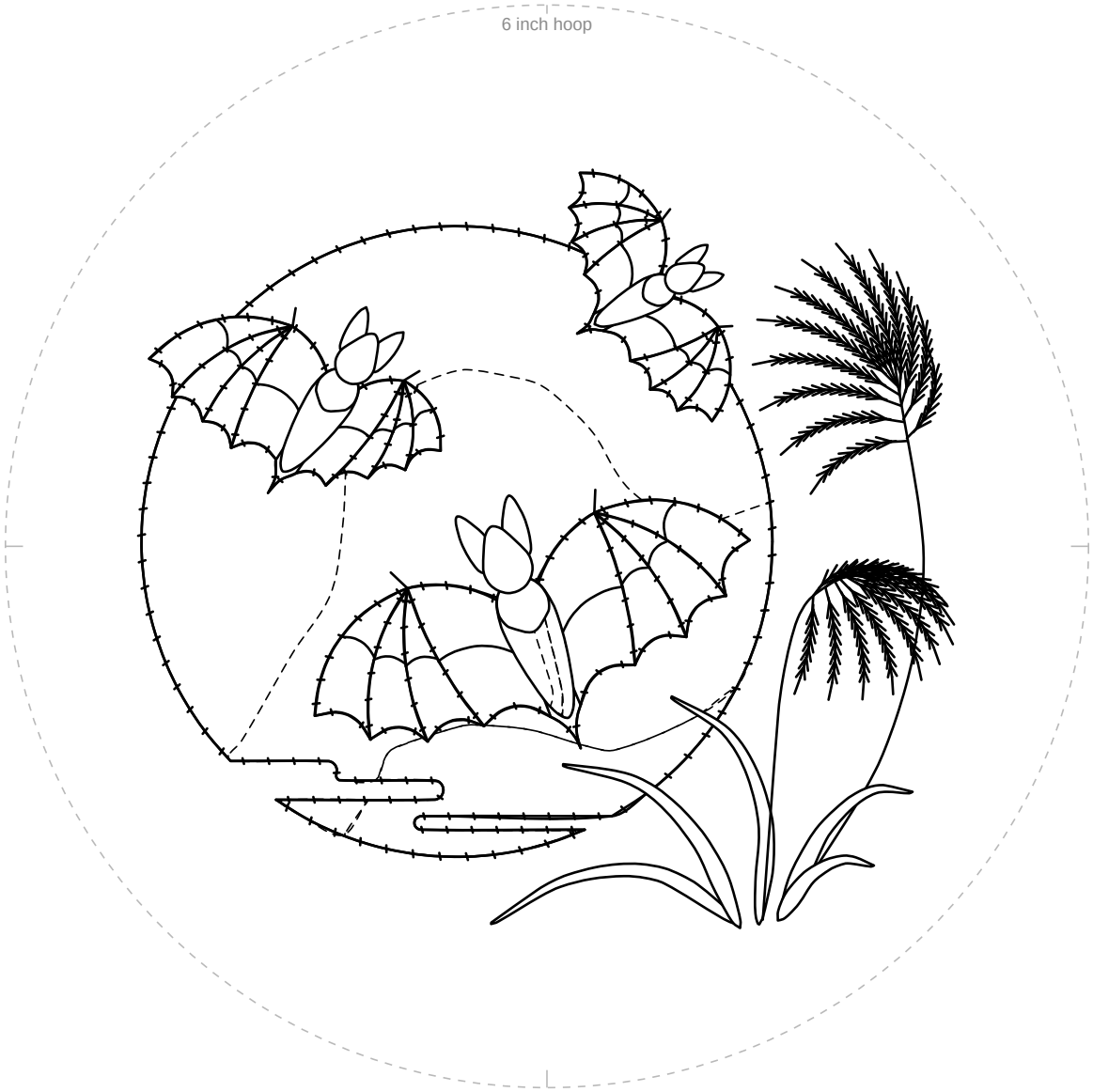
1	DMC 746 Off White	**5**	DMC 355 Dark Terra Cotta	**9**	DMC 317 Pewter Gray
2	DMC 676 Light Old Gold	**6**	DMC 3052 Medium Green Gray	**10**	DMC 413 Dark Pewter Gray
3	DMC 677 Very Light Old Gold	**7**	DMC 318 Light Steel Gray	**11**	DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray
4	DMC 729 Medium Old Gold	**8**	DMC 169 Light Pewter	**12**	DMC 3051 Dark Green Gray

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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 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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