Lotus pond in kantha and shadow work

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 3.9 × 4.4 in (9.9 × 11.2 cm).



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Running stitch**, 3 to 4 strands
  Ripples
- **Stem stitch**, 2 to 3 strands
  Stems
- **Herringbone stitch**, 1 strand
  Leaf, lotus petals, bud petals, seed pod, dragonfly wings
- **Back stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Leaf veins, leaf edge, lotus petal edges, bud petal edges, seed pod edge, dragonfly wing edges
- **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Seed pod top, dragonfly body
- **French knot**, 1 to 2 strands, two wraps
  Seeds, dragonfly head
- **Straight stitch**, 1 strand
  Dragonfly legs

Floss

- **DMC BLANC White**
  Lotus petals and bud petals (lightest), ripples and dragonfly wings
- **DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green**
  Leaf veins, stems and leaf edge
- **DMC 3052 Medium Green Gray**
  Leaf (darker)
- **DMC 3053 Green Gray**
  Leaf (lighter)
- **DMC 225 Ultra Very Light Shell Pink**
  Lotus petals and bud petals (light)
- **DMC 223 Light Shell Pink**
  Lotus petals and bud petals (dark), lotus petal edges and bud petal edges
- **DMC 3722 Medium Shell Pink**
  Lotus petals and bud petals (darkest), seeds
- **DMC 738 Very Light Tan**
  Seed pod and seed pod top
- **DMC 3863 Medium Mocha Beige**
  Seed pod edge
- **DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue**
  Dragonfly wing edges, dragonfly body, dragonfly legs and dragonfly head

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 2 to a sunny window or lay it on a light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a sharp pencil or a water-soluble pen.
2. **Fabric you cannot see through**
   Lay dressmaker’s carbon paper colored side down on the fabric with page 2 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on**
   Go over the lines of page 3, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron.

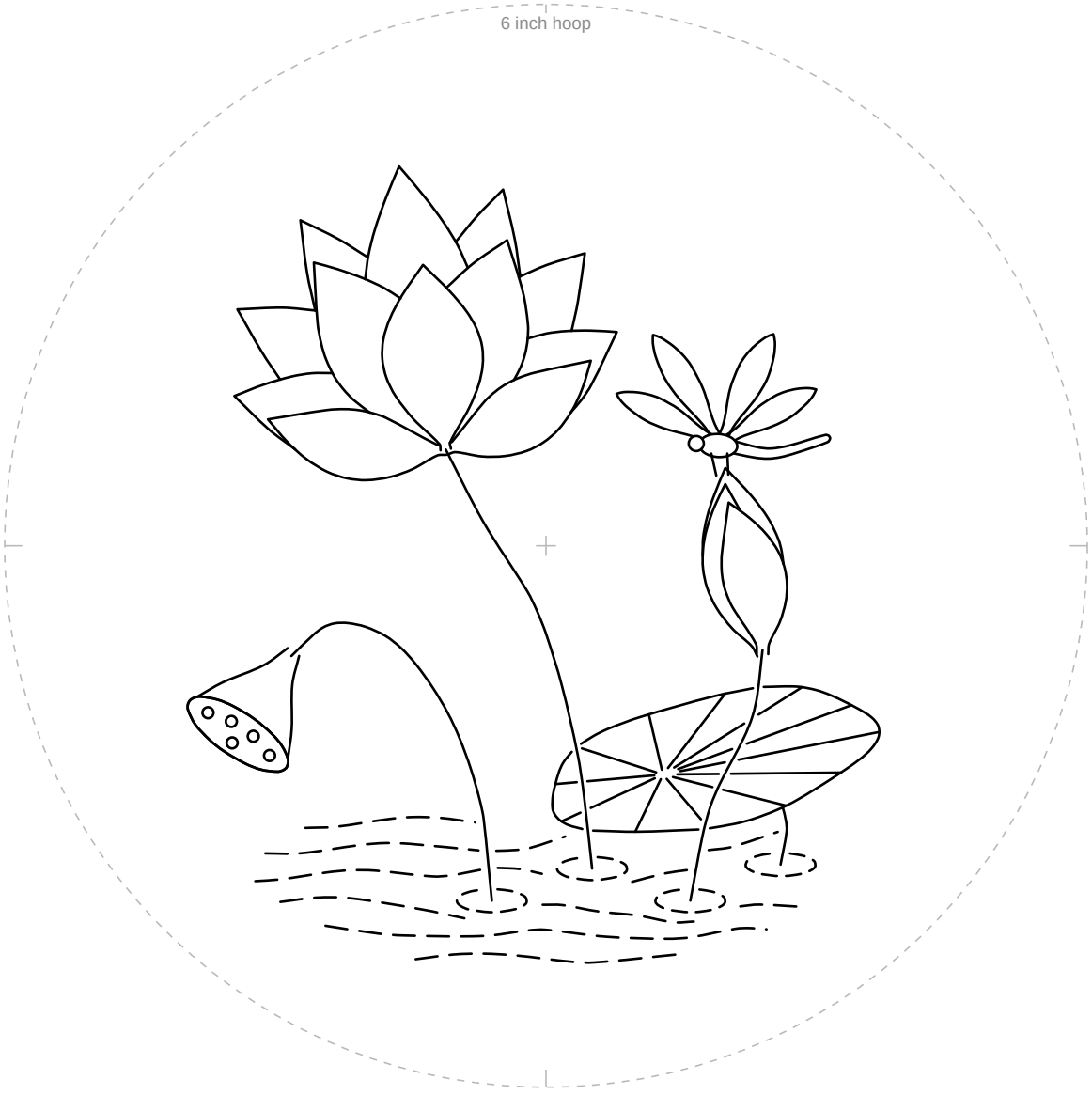
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1 in
25.4 mm

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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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