Lenten crosses bookmark with thorn vine

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 2.1 × 4.9 in (5.3 × 12.4 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Side crosses, tall cross, vine, gold jewel, thorns, rose buds, rose, frame, tassel, tassel head, tassel band
2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Hill
3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves
4. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Gold ring
5. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Bud stems, gold line
6. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Cross edges, rose edge
7. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Gold jewel

Floss

- **1 DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Gold line, gold ring, rose center and tassel band, gold jewel and cord (lighter)
- **2 DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green**
  Hill (darker), vine (light), bud stems (lighter)
- **3 DMC 210 Medium Lavender**
  Side crosses (middle), rose and rose buds (dark)
- **4 DMC 208 Very Dark Lavender**
  Side crosses (dark), rose edge, tall cross (middle), tassel (light)
- **5 DMC 211 Light Lavender**
  Side crosses (light), rose buds and rose (middle)
- **6 DMC 550 Very Dark Violet**
  Frame, cross edges and tassel head, tall cross and tassel (dark)
- **7 DMC 209 Dark Lavender**
  Frame knots, tall cross (light)
- **8 DMC 838 Very Dark Beige Brown**
  Vine (dark), thorns
- **9 DMC 3862 Dark Mocha Beige**
  Vine (middle), bud stems (darker)
- **10 DMC 3364 Pine Green** Hill (lighter)
- **11 DMC 3829 Very Dark Old Gold**
  Gold jewel and cord (darker)
- **12 DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green** Leaves (light)
- **13 DMC 3345 Dark Hunter Green** Leaves (dark)
- **14 DMC 3865 Winter White** Rose and rose buds (light)
- **15 DMC 3346 Hunter Green** Leaves (middle)
- **16 DMC 552 Medium Violet** Tassel (middle)

Stitches, continued

8. **Couching**, 6 strands
   Cord
9. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Gold jewel, rose center, frame knots

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 3 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 3 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on: the lines stay**
   Go over the lines of page 4, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron, as the pen's packet says.

Pages 3 and 4 are the pattern at actual size. Print them 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

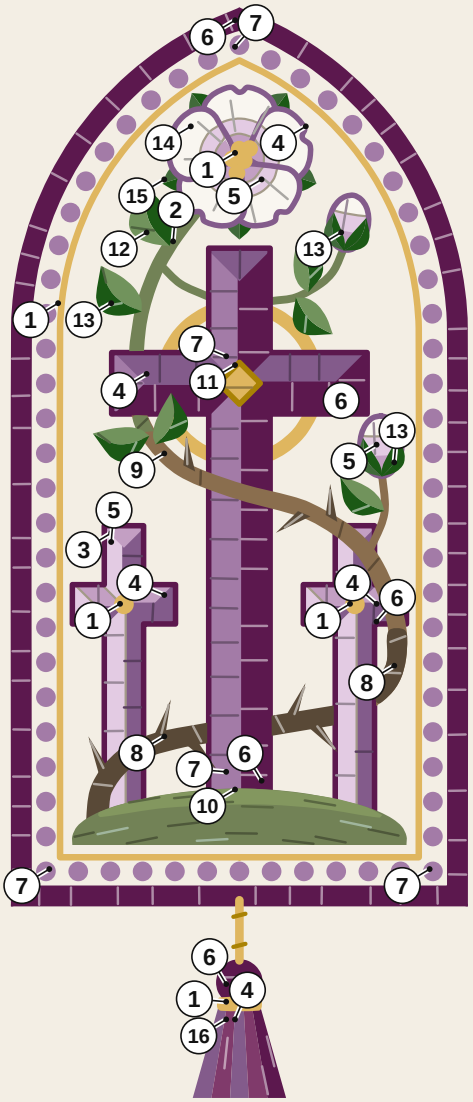
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

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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How many strands

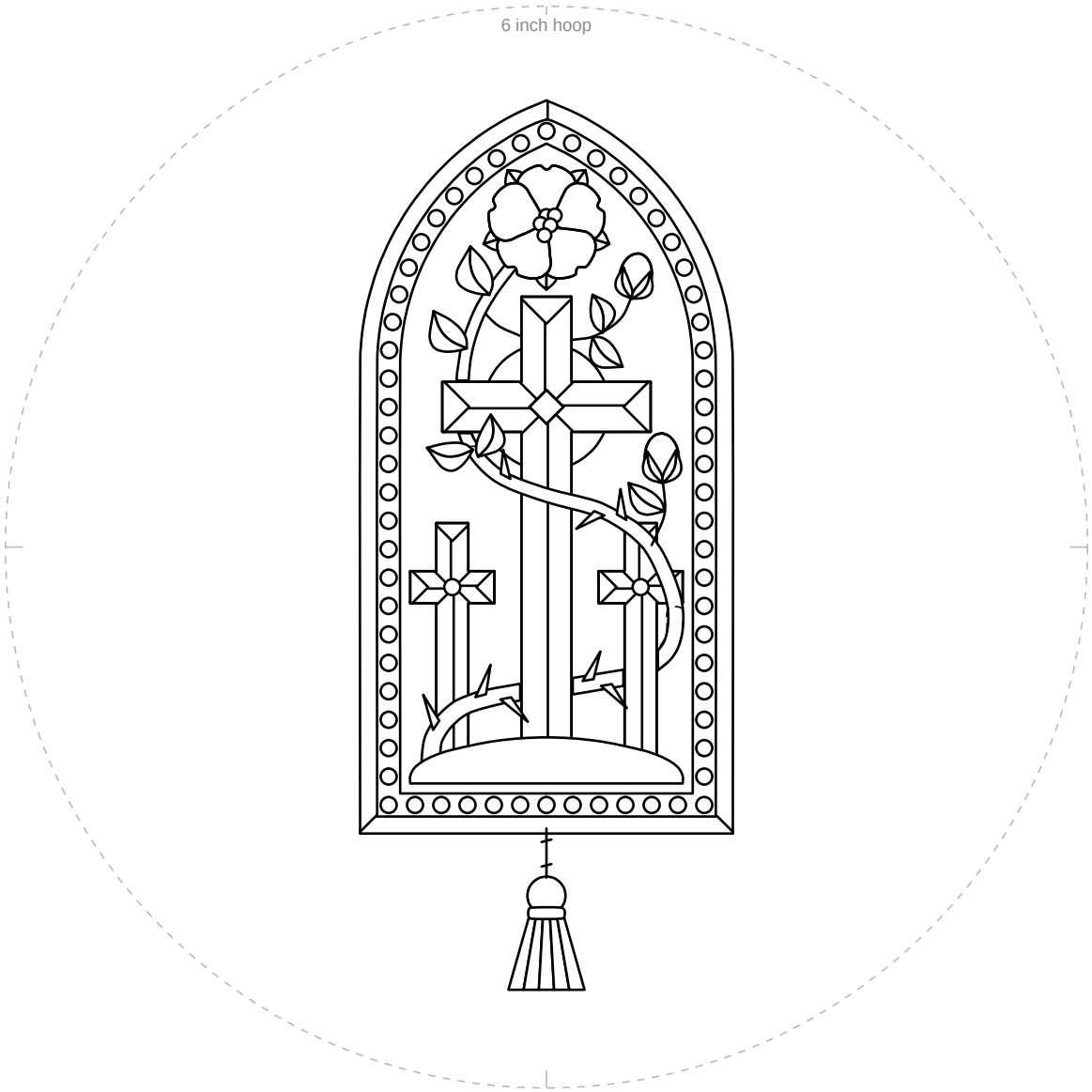
Stem stitch. 3 strands: bud stems; 2 strands: gold line.

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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

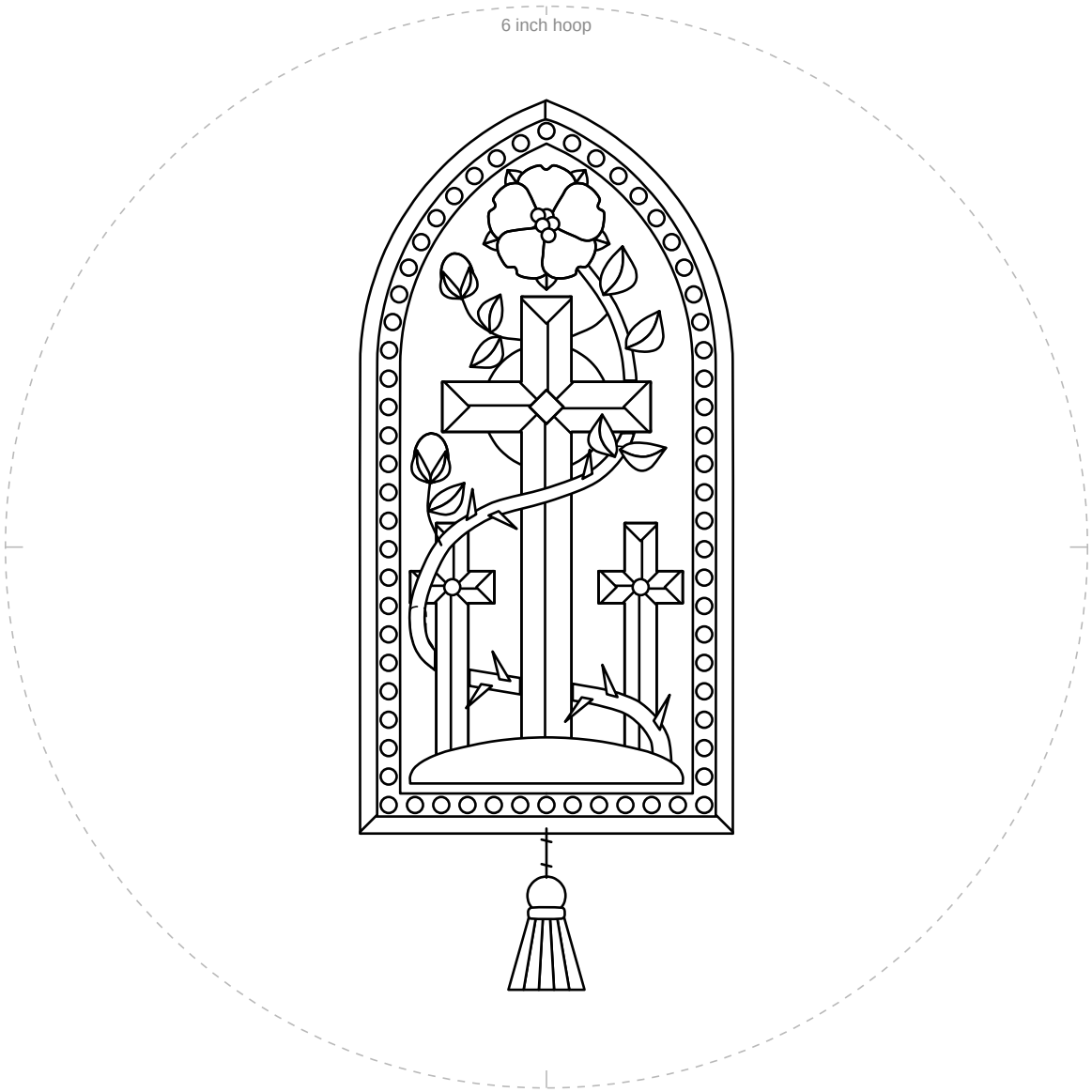
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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