Log cabin quilt block

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 3.4 × 3.4 in (8.6 × 8.6 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen.

Embroidery needles, size 9, and size 3 for 4 to 6 strands.

16 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. **Woven filling stitch**, 3 strands, color 6
   Log of woven filling
2. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand, colors 9, 10, 13, 14, 15
   Evening sky, snow
3. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 16
   Log of chain stitch, log of satin stitch, log of feather stitch, log of french knots, log of trellis stitch, log of lazy daisies, log of herringbone stitch, log of fern stitch, log of fly stitch, log of couching, log of blanket stitch, cabin logs, cabin door, lit window, chimney
4. **Chain stitch**, 3 strands, colors 2, 3
   Lines of the log of chain stitch
5. **Feather stitch**, 3 strands, color 3
   Lines of the log of feather stitch
6. **Trellis stitch**, 2 strands, colors 2, 3
   Lines of the log of trellis stitch
7. **Herringbone stitch**, 3 strands, color 8
   Lines of the log of herringbone stitch
8. **Fern stitch**, 3 strands, color 10
   Lines of the log of fern stitch
9. **Fly stitch**, 3 strands, color 12
   Lines of the log of fly stitch
10. **Couching**, 6 strands, colors 2, 4, 8
    Lines of the log of couching
11. **Blanket stitch**, 3 strands, color 10
    Lines of the log of blanket stitch
12. **Straight stitch**, colors 11, 16
    3 strands: fir trunks, fir trees
    1 strand: window bars
13. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands, color 2
    Smoke
14. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 3 strands, color 2
    Loops of the log of lazy daisies
15. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands, color 15
    Snowy roof
16. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps, colors 3, 5
    Knots of the log of french knots, knots of the log of lazy daisies

Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop or sew a pillow.

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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	**7**	DMC 3740 Dark Antique Violet	**13**	DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue
2	DMC 712 Cream	**8**	DMC 3042 Light Antique Violet	**14**	DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue
3	DMC 3830 Terra Cotta	**9**	DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue	**15**	DMC BLANC White
4	DMC 353 Peach	**10**	DMC 932 Light Antique Blue	**16**	DMC 433 Medium Brown
5	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	**11**	DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green		
6	DMC 501 Dark Blue Green	**12**	DMC 503 Medium Blue Green		

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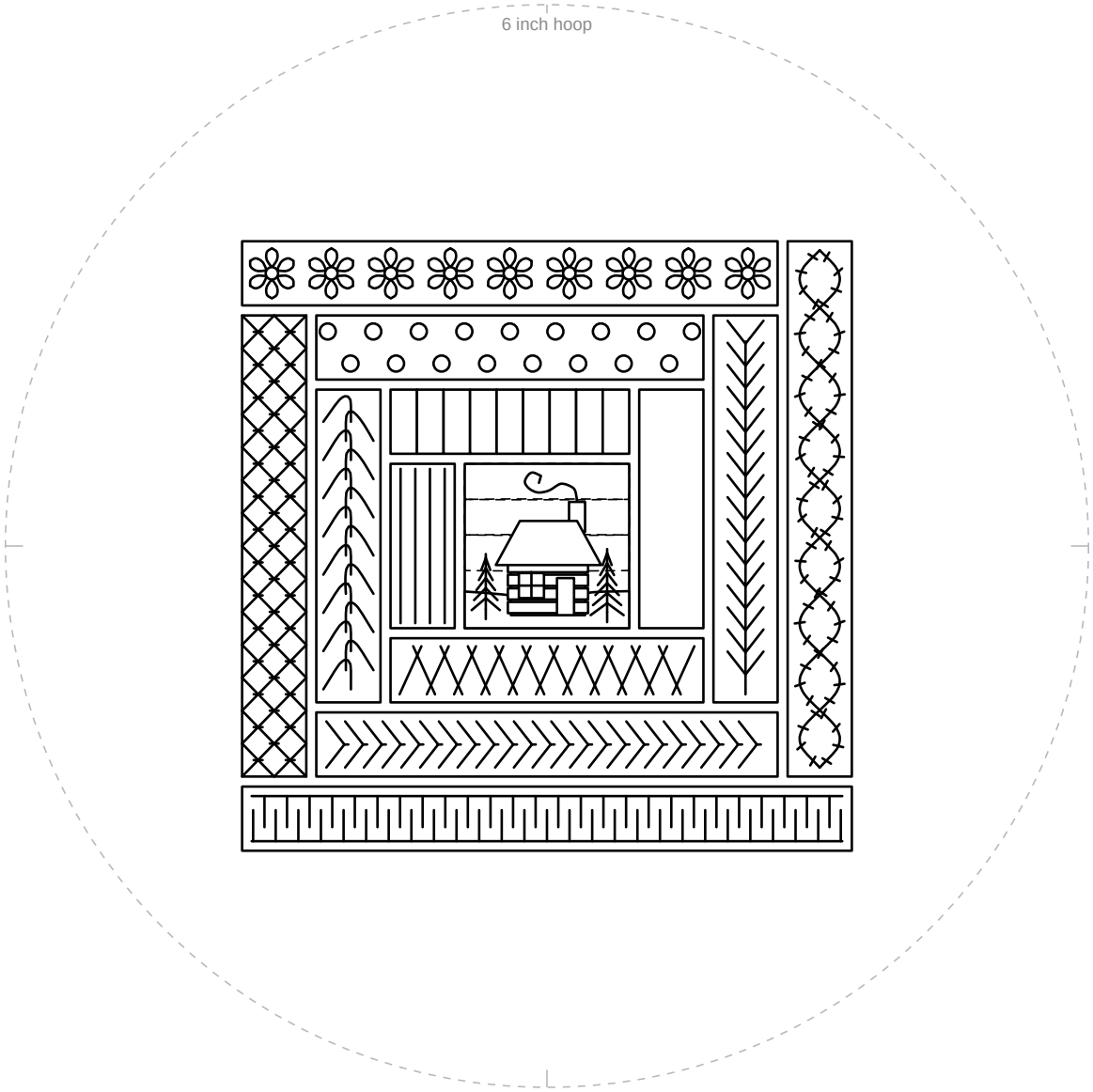
Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot; a loop is one lazy daisy, begun at its point; a broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



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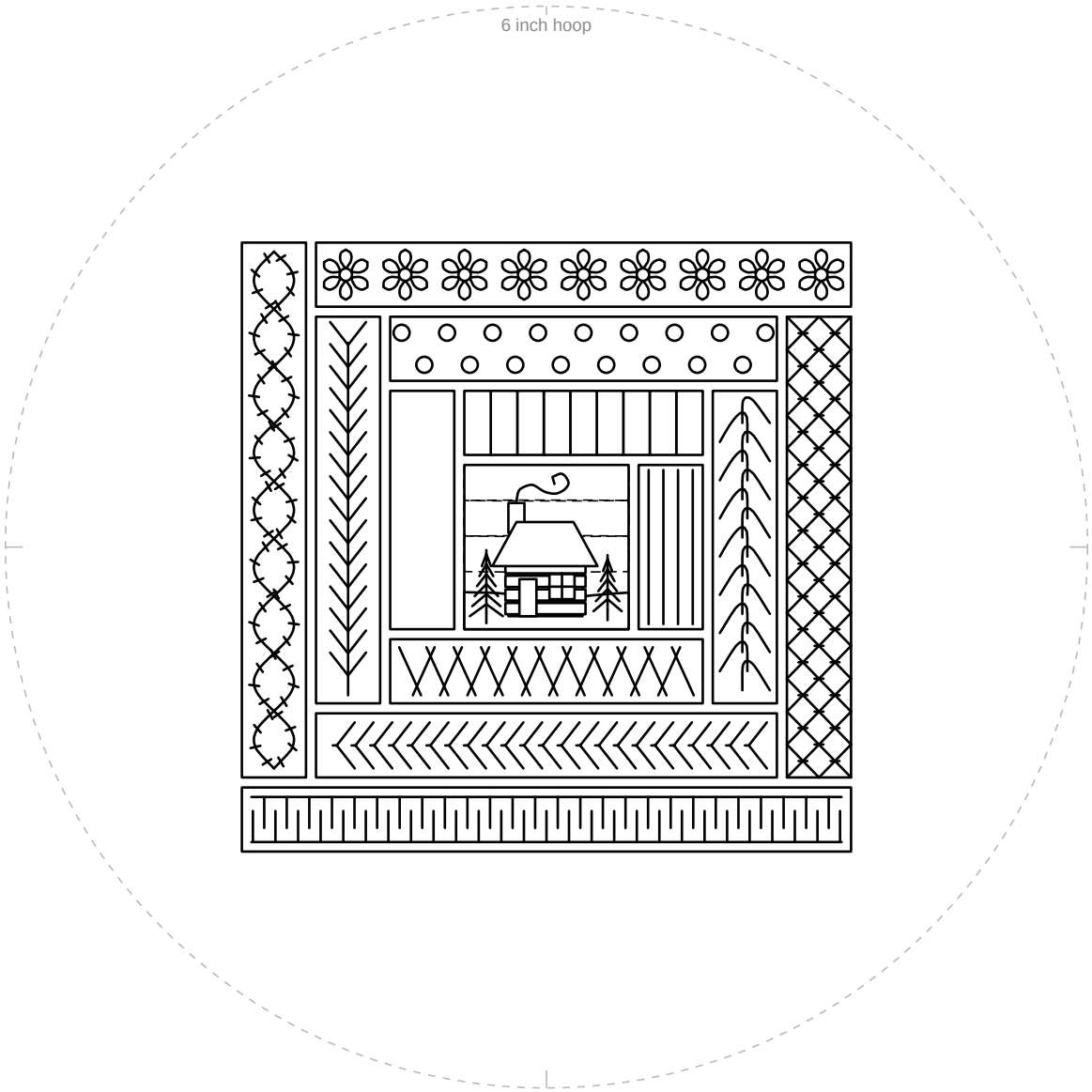
For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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