Long finial ornament

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 2.7 × 4.6 in (6.9 × 11.7 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 5 for 4 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. **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
   Tendrils, hanging ring

2. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand
   Twisted ball (color 1), bulb diamonds (color 1)



3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Stems, gold caps, twisted ball, waist, gold collars, bulb diamonds, twisted needle



4. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Mistletoe leaves



5. **Chain stitch**, 4 strands
   Frame



6. **Stem stitch**
   2 strands: inner frame
   1 strand: gold seams

7. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Berry edges

8. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Lights



9. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Pearl berries, peacock drop



10. **French knot**, 1 strand, two wraps
    Berry tips



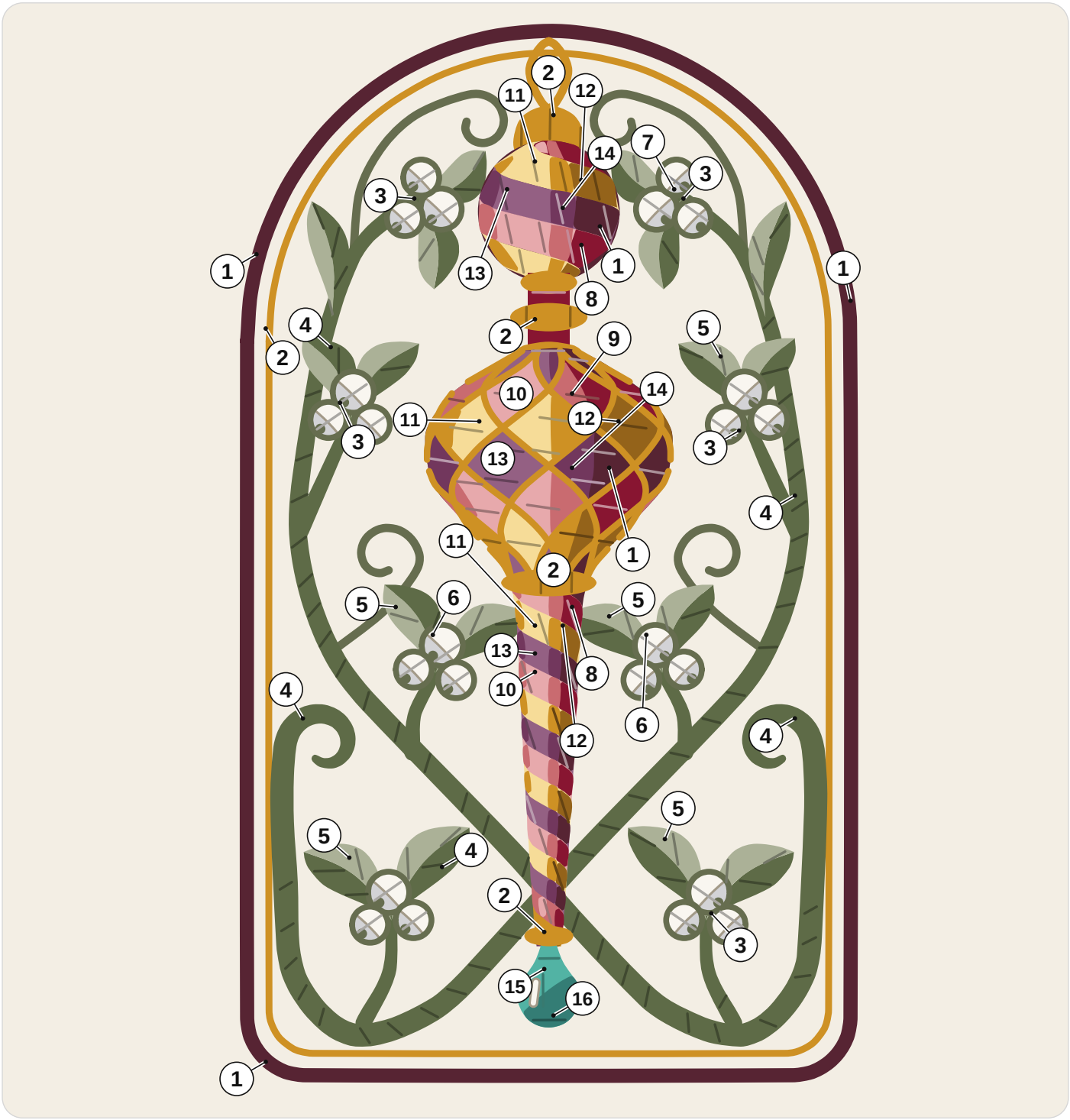
Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop.

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



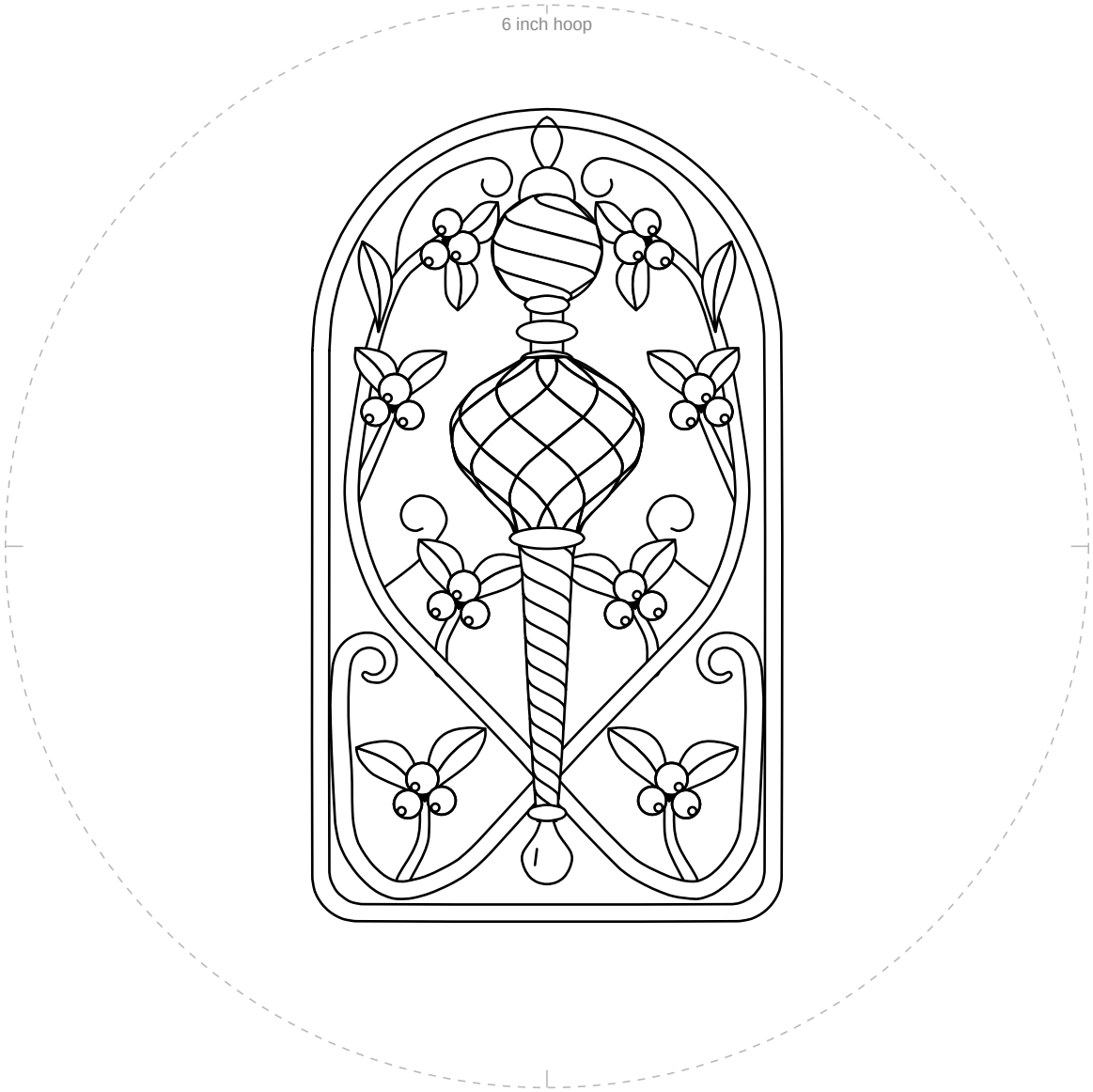
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2	DMC 783 Medium Topaz	**8**	DMC 3685 Very Dark Mauve	**14**	DMC 3834 Dark Grape
3	DMC 520 Dark Fern Green	**9**	DMC 3687 Mauve	**15**	DMC 3849 Light Teal Green
4	DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green	**10**	DMC 3688 Medium Mauve	**16**	DMC 3847 Dark Teal Green
5	DMC 523 Light Fern Green	**11**	DMC 3822 Light Straw		
6	DMC 3865 Winter White	**12**	DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz		

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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.



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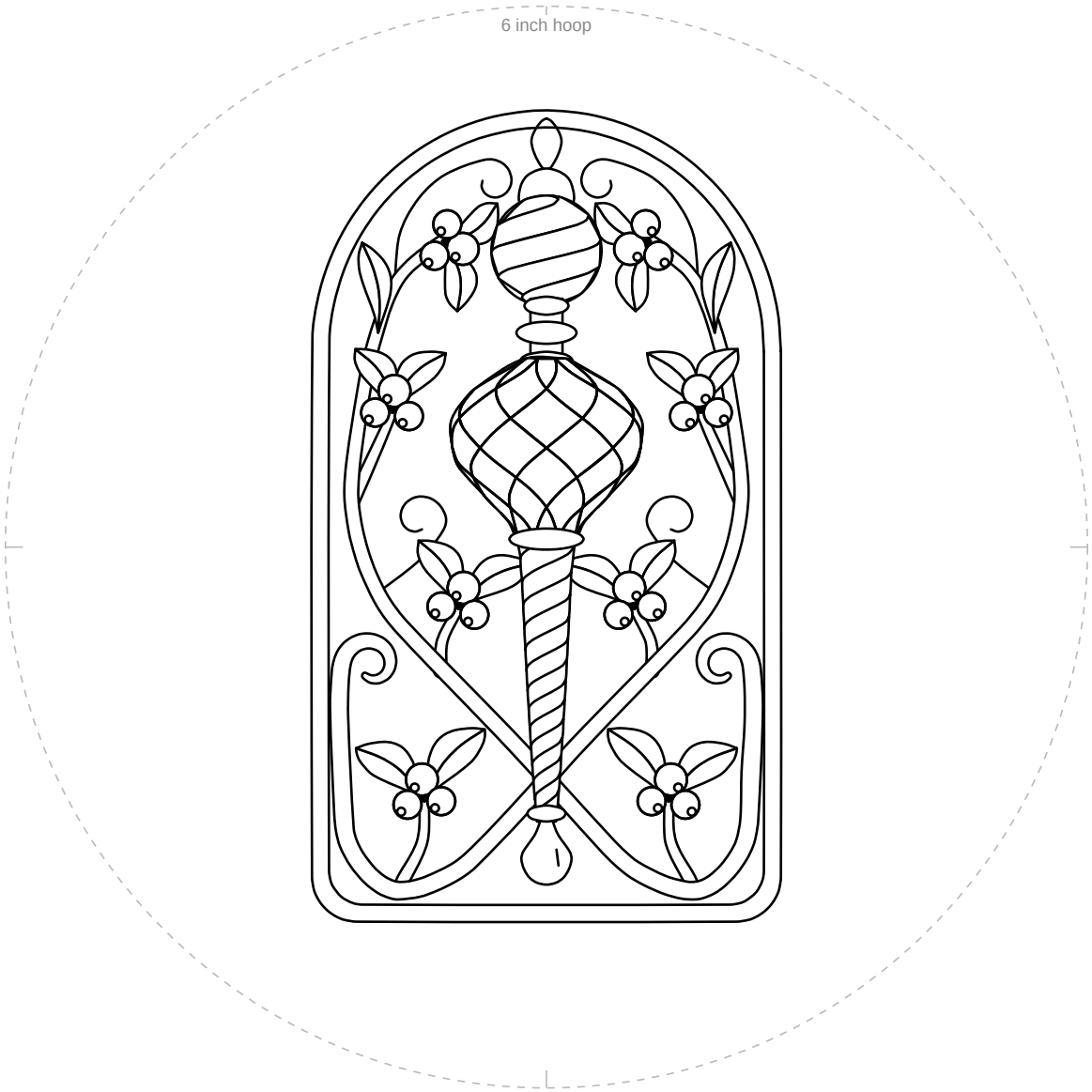
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