May in script

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.9 × 4.9 in (12.4 × 12.4 cm)



A number is a row of the list.
Fabric: sage green cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of sage green cotton or linen.

Embroidery needles, size 9, and size 5 for 4 strands.

2 skeins of DMC BLANC; one of each other 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 2 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 2 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 3, 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.

Floss

- **DMC BLANC White**
  Scalloped edge, lettering, mesh leaves, laurel petals, eyelets, glossy leaves, mesh leaf edges, boughs, stamens, hairlines, buds, open leaves, bud caps, leaf veins and bud stems
- **DMC 739 Ultra Very Light Tan**
  Stamen tips and flower centers

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**, 4 strands
   Boughs, hairlines

2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Eyelets, buds



3. **Trellis stitch**, 1 strand
   Mesh leaves



4. **Buttonhole stitch**, 2 strands
   Scalloped edge



5. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Leaf veins

6. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Mesh leaf edges, open leaves, bud stems

7. **Straight stitch**
   2 strands: bud caps
   1 strand: stamens



8. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Glossy leaves, buds, laurel petals, lettering



9. **French knot**, two wraps
   1 strand: stamen tips
   2 strands: flower centers



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

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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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25.4 mm

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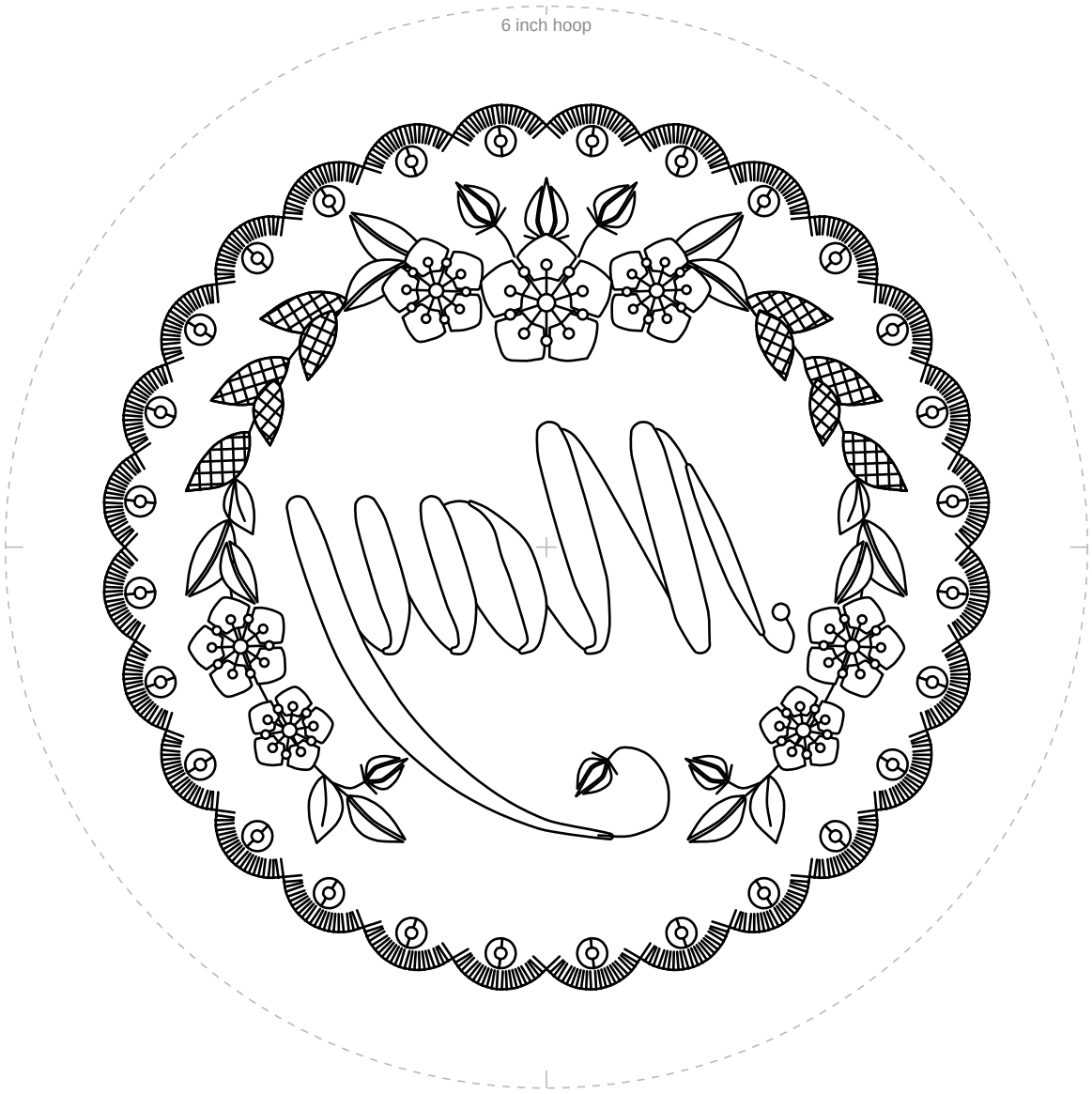
For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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