Mexican flowers and birds wall hanging

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.7 × 4.7 in (11.9 × 11.9 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: black cotton or linen.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves
2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Dahlia petals, red petals, red flower inner petals, marigold petals, violet petals, tulip petals, bodies, breasts, wing feathers, and 2 more
3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Tulip cups, tail plumes, plume eyes, crests, bills, eyes
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Stems, legs
5. **Straight stitch**, 4 strands
   Legs
6. **French knot**
   strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Flower centers, eyes, eye lights

Floss

- **1 DMC 702 Kelly Green** Stems and tulip cups
- **2 DMC 907 Light Parrot Green** Leaves (lighter), tail plumes (light)
- **3 DMC 699 Green** Leaves (darker)
- **4 DMC 3805 Cyclamen Pink**
  Dahlia petals (shade 3 of 8), wing shoulders (light), plume eyes (middle)
- **5 DMC 3804 Dark Cyclamen Pink**
  Wing shoulders and plume eyes (dark), dahlia petals (shade 2 of 8)
- **6 DMC 3806 Light Cyclamen Pink**
  Dahlia petals (shade 6 of 8), wing shoulders (lightest)
- **7 DMC 3708 Light Melon** Dahlia petals (shade 8 of 8)
- **8 DMC 740 Tangerine**
  Breasts (middle), marigold petals (dark), dahlia petals (shade 5 of 8) and 3 more parts
- **9 DMC 666 Bright Red**
  Red petals (light), tulip petals (shade 3 of 8), breasts (dark) and 1 more part
- **10 DMC 946 Medium Burnt Orange**
  Dahlia petals (shade 4 of 8), marigold petals (darkest) and 4 more parts
- **11 DMC 742 Light Tangerine**
  Marigold petals, wing coverts and crests (light) and 6 more parts
- **12 DMC 744 Pale Yellow**
  Flower centers (light), wing coverts (lightest), bills (lighter) and 5 more parts
- **13 DMC 815 Medium Garnet**
  Wing shoulders and red petals (darkest), tulip petals (shade 1 of 8)
- **14 DMC 321 Red**
  Breasts (darkest), red petals (dark), flower centers (middle) and 1 more part
- **15 DMC 351 Coral** Red petals (lightest), tulip petals (shade 5 of 8)
- **16 DMC 208 Very Dark Lavender**
  Wing feathers and flower centers (dark), violet petals (middle)
- **17 DMC 209 Dark Lavender** Wing feathers and violet petals (light)
- **18 DMC 550 Very Dark Violet** Wing feathers (darkest), violet petals (dark)
- **19 DMC 3845 Medium Bright Turquoise**
  Tail plumes (middle), bodies (lighter)
- **20 DMC 3843 Electric Blue** Tail plumes (dark), bodies (darker)
- **21 DMC 211 Light Lavender** Wing feathers (lightest)
- **22 DMC 3823 Ultra Pale Yellow** Eyes (lighter), eye lights
- **23 DMC 310 Black** Eyes (darker)

Three ways onto dark fabric

1. **Light shines through it**
   Lay page 3 on a bright light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a white marking pencil or pen.
2. **No light shines through**
   Print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, smooth it onto fabric that can be washed, stitch through both and rinse it away.
3. **White or yellow carbon paper**
   Lay it colored side down on the fabric with page 3 on top, tape the layers and trace firmly with a ballpoint pen. Go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Page 3 is the pattern at actual size (page 4 is its mirror, for an iron-on pen on a light fabric). Print it 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. 4 or 5 strands: stems; 4 strands: legs.
French knot. 2 strands: flower centers, eyes; 1 strand: eye lights.

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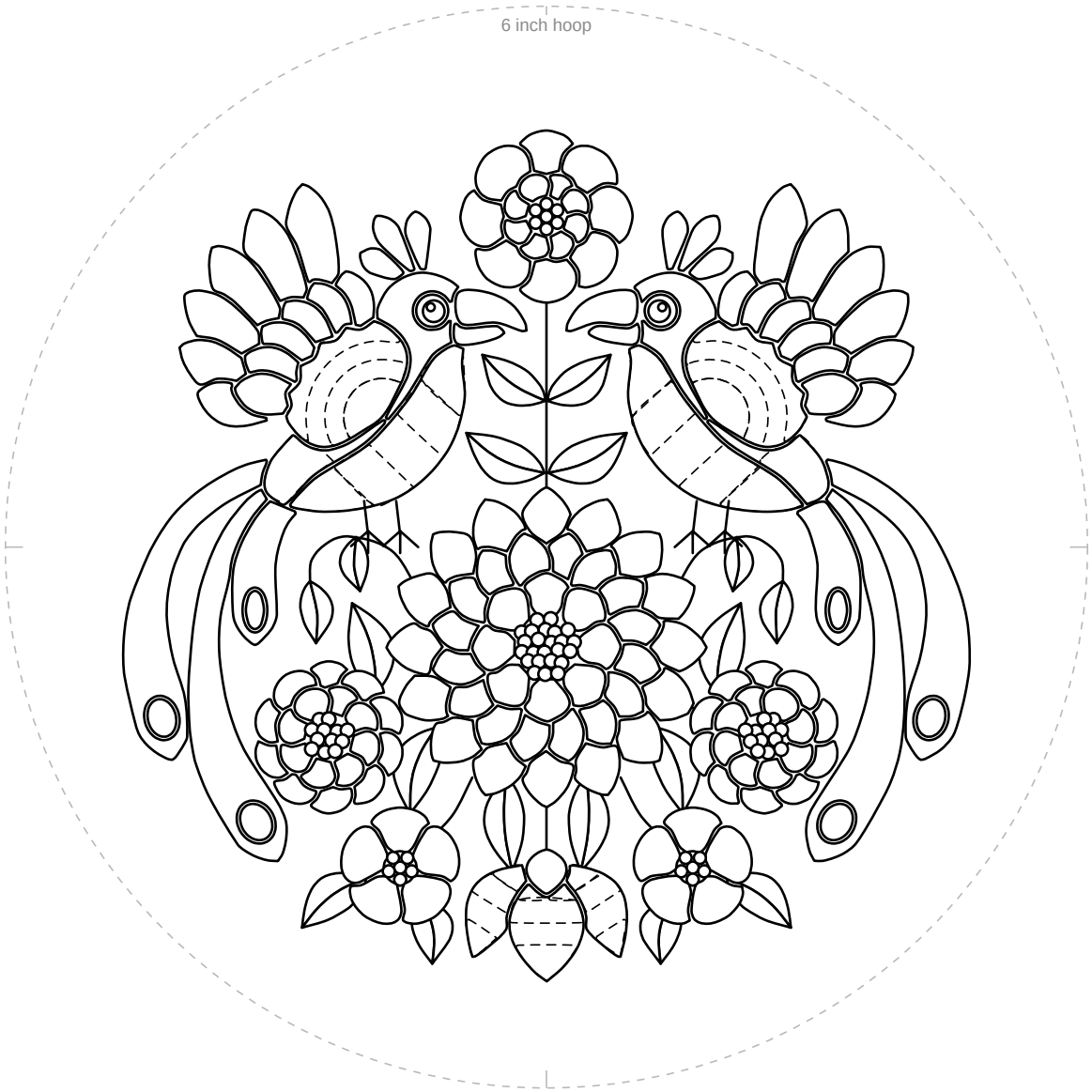
Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

Check square: 1 inch (25.4 mm) on each side.
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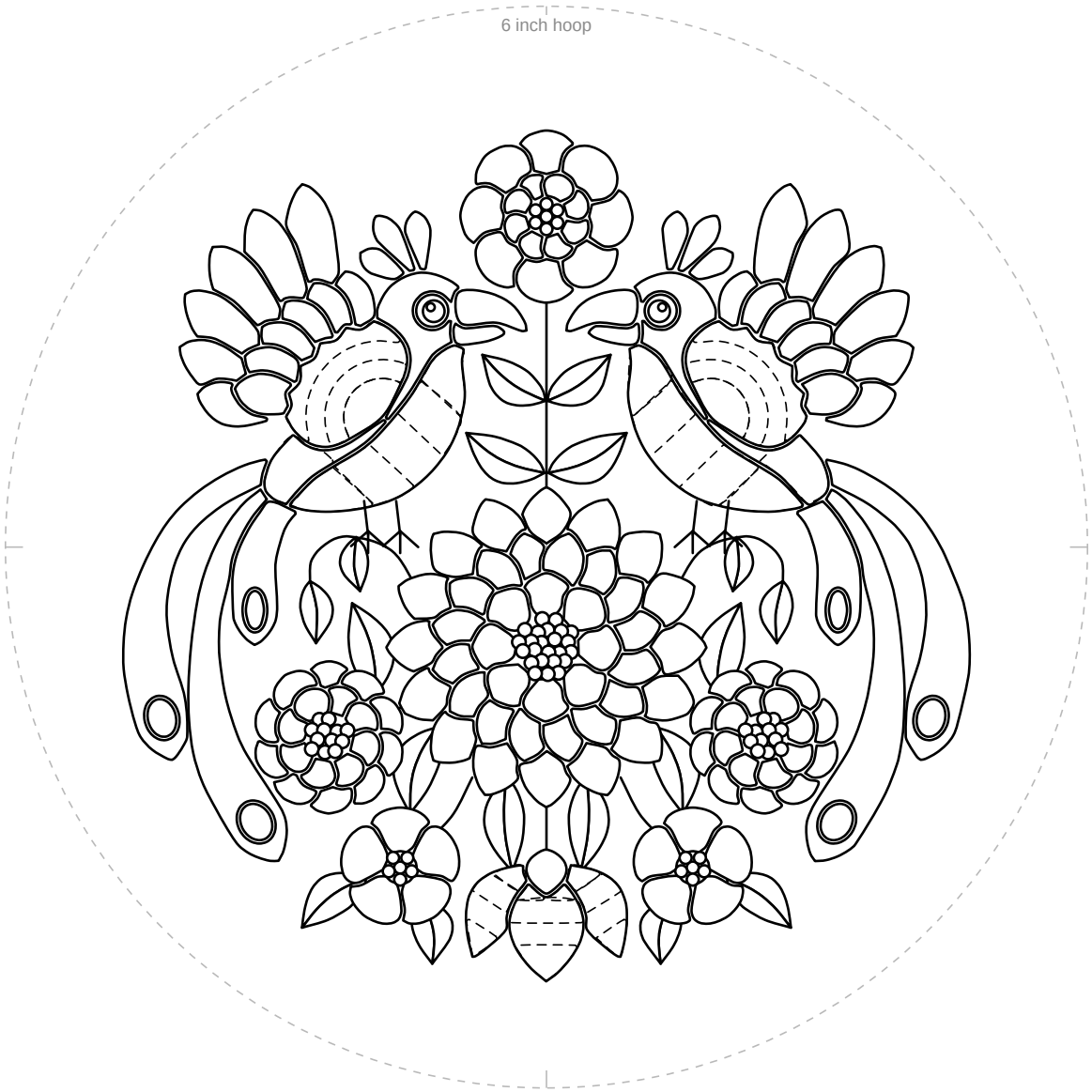
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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