# Mexican flowers for a clutch purse

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.6 × 3.5 in (11.7 × 8.9 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**
   strands by part on page 2
   Dahlia petals, hibiscus petals, rose petals, large buds, small buds, corner bud, smallest bud, tassel
3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Hibiscus stamens, rose petal rims, rose heart, sepals, tassel, tassel head
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Purse edge, flap edge, stems
5. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Flap edge
6. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Dahlia heart, hibiscus stamens

## Floss

- **1 DMC 725 Medium Light Topaz**
  Flap edge (lighter), purse edge, hibiscus stamens and tassel head and 3 more parts
- **2 DMC 600 Very Dark Cranberry**
  Flap edge (darker), tassel and large buds (middle)
- **3 DMC 701 Light Green**
  Leaves (middle), sepals and stems
- **4 DMC 703 Chartreuse** Leaves (light)
- **5 DMC 699 Green** Leaves (dark)
- **6 DMC 552 Medium Violet**
  Dahlia petals and corner bud (middle)
- **7 DMC 550 Very Dark Violet**
  Dahlia petals and corner bud (dark)
- **8 DMC 554 Light Violet**
  Dahlia petals and corner bud (light)
- **9 DMC 321 Red**
  Hibiscus petals and small buds (darkest), rose petals and smallest bud (middle)
- **10 DMC 946 Medium Burnt Orange**
  Hibiscus petals and small buds (dark)
- **11 DMC 3340 Medium Apricot**
  Hibiscus petals (light), small buds (middle)
- **12 DMC 967 Very Light Apricot**
  Hibiscus petals and small buds (lightest)
- **13 DMC 498 Dark Red**
  Rose petals and smallest bud (dark)
- **14 DMC 815 Medium Garnet**
  Rose petals and smallest bud (darkest), large buds and tassel (dark), rose heart
- **15 DMC 3801 Very Dark Melon**
  Rose petals and smallest bud (light)
- **16 DMC 3706 Medium Melon**
  Rose petals and smallest bud (lightest), rose petal rims, large buds (light)

## 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

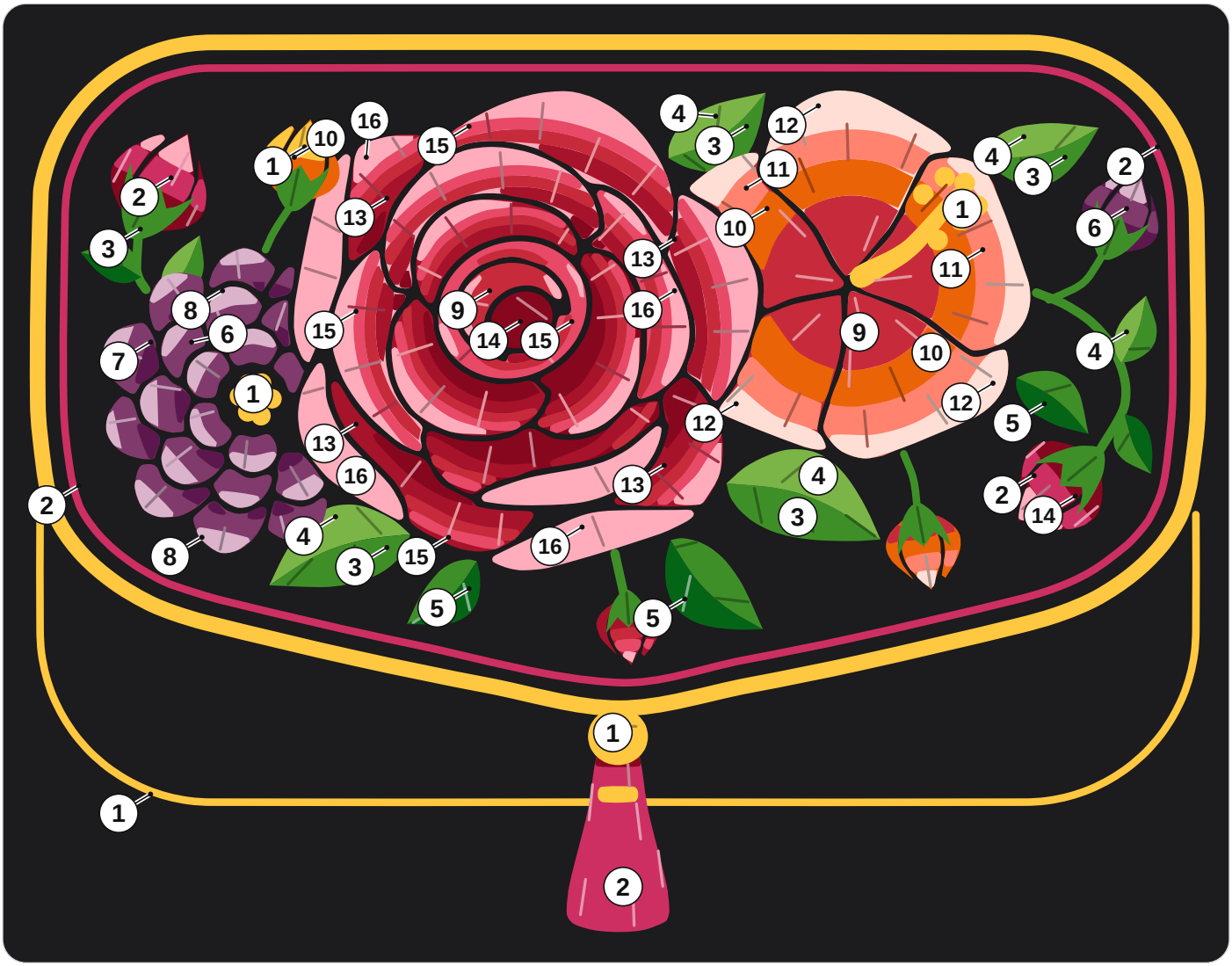
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

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

Long and short stitch. 2 strands: tassel; 1 strand: dahlia petals, hibiscus petals, rose petals, large buds, small buds, corner bud, smallest bud.
Stem stitch. 2 or 3 strands: stems; 2 strands: purse edge, flap edge.

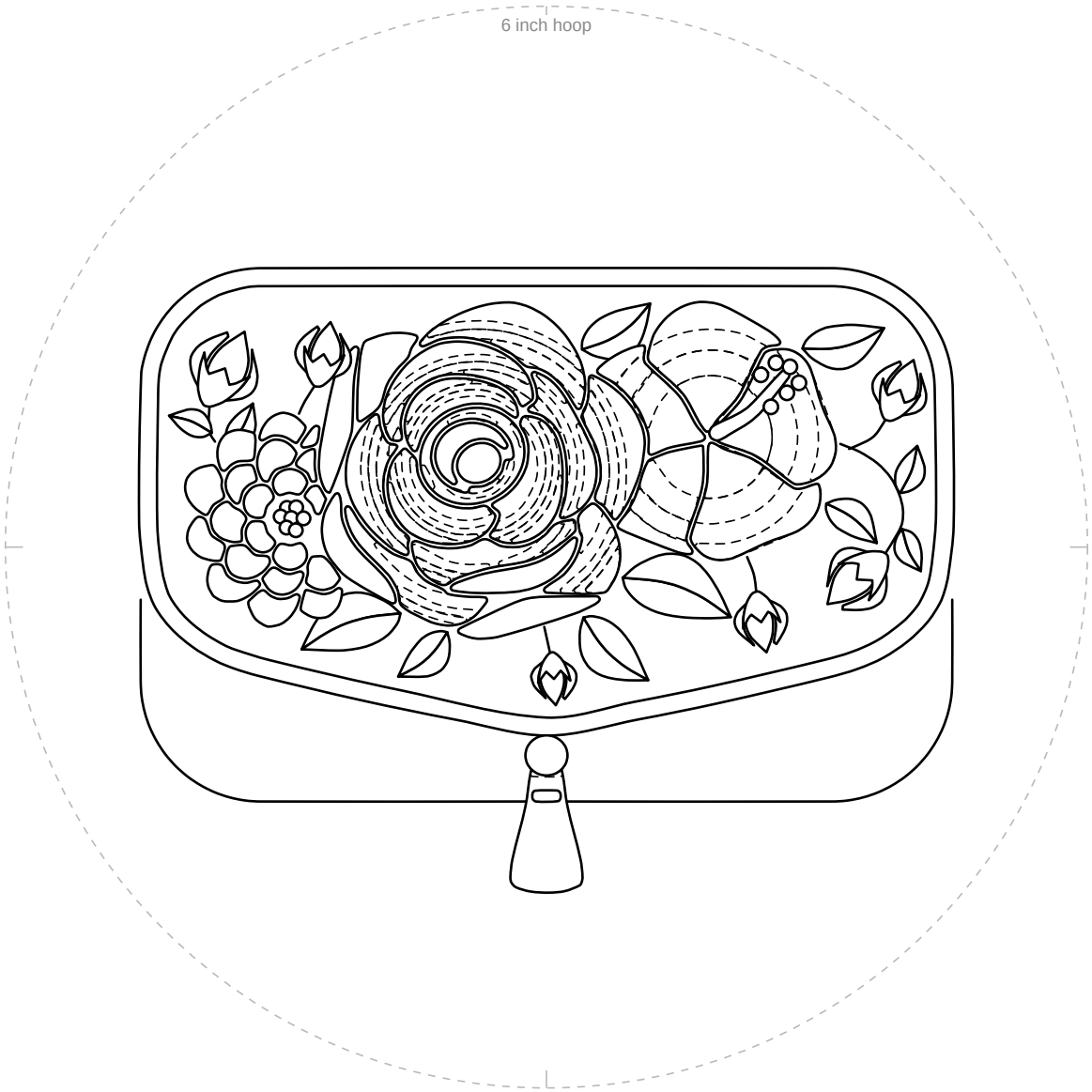


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Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.




**1 in**
25.4 mm

Check square: 1 inch (25.4 mm) on each side.
If it measures anything else, print again at 100% with scaling off.

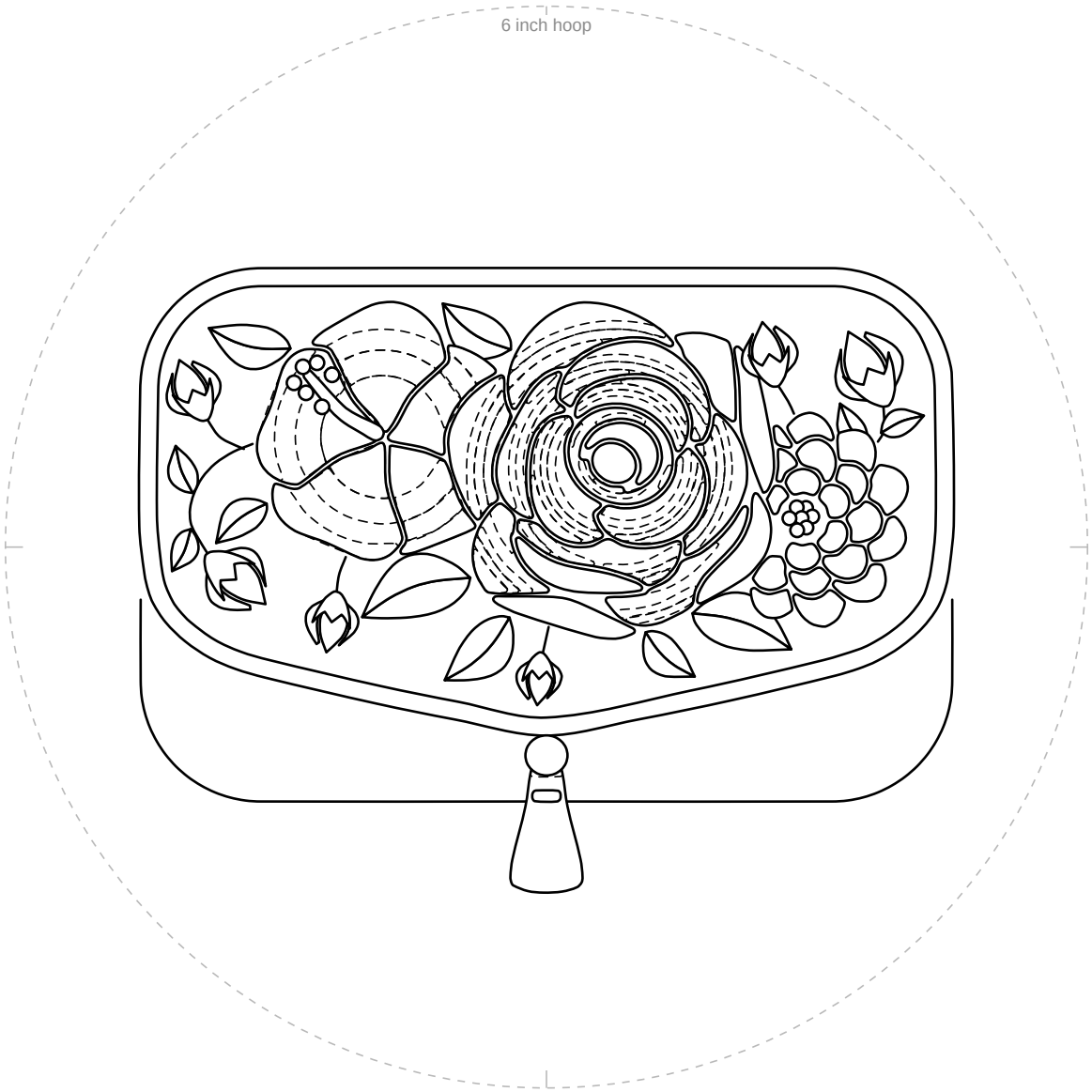


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**6 inch hoop**

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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