Ming style lotus scroll

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.7 × 4.6 in (11.9 × 11.7 cm).



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

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.

Floss

- **1 DMC 932 Light Antique Blue**
  Leaves (light)
- **2 DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue**
  Leaves and seed pod (darkest)
- **3 DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Petal rims, stem, leaf ribs, pod rim and tendrils (lighter), stamens
- **4 DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz**
  Petal rims, stem, leaf ribs, pod rim and tendrils (darker)
- **5 DMC 502 Blue Green**
  Leaves and sepals (middle), seed pod (light)
- **6 DMC 501 Dark Blue Green**
  Leaves, seed pod and sepals (dark)
- **7 DMC 504 Very Light Blue Green**
  Leaves and seed pod (lightest), sepals (light)
- **8 DMC 712 Cream**
  Side petals, front petals and bud (lightest), pearls
- **9 DMC 3824 Light Apricot**
  Back petals (lightest), side petals, front petals and bud (light)
- **10 DMC 3341 Apricot**
  Back petals (light), side petals, front petals and bud (middle)
- **11 DMC 350 Medium Coral**
  Side petals, back petals, bud and front petals (dark)
- **12 DMC 347 Very Dark Salmon**
  Side petals, back petals, front petals and bud (darkest)

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 1 strand
   Leaves, seed pod, sepals, back petals, side petals, front petals, bud
2. **Couching**, strands by part on page 2
   Leaf ribs, tendrils, stem, pod rim, petal rims
3. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Stamens
4. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Pearls

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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 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

Couching. 4 or 6 strands: stem; 3 strands: tendrils; 2 strands: leaf ribs, pod rim, petal rims.

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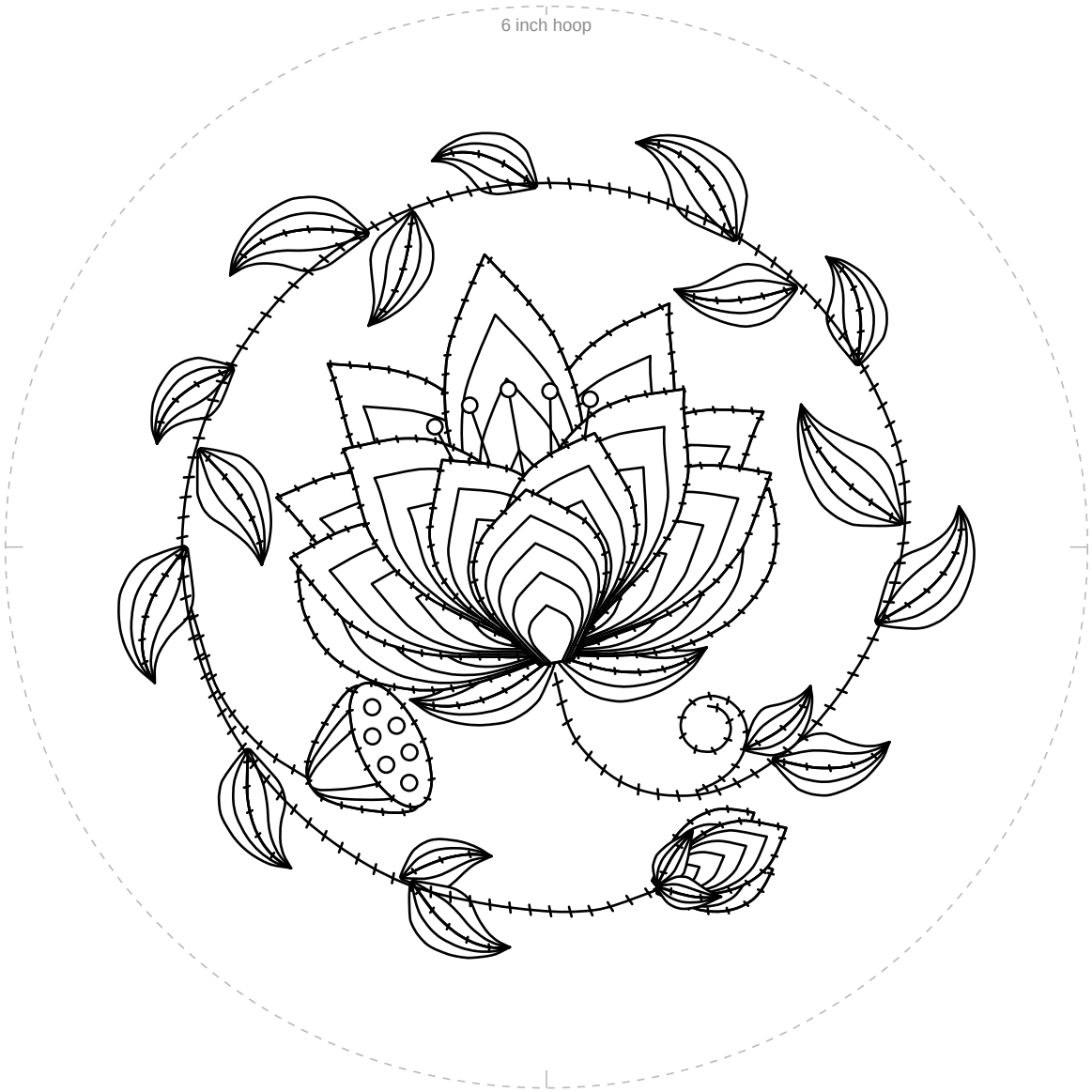
Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

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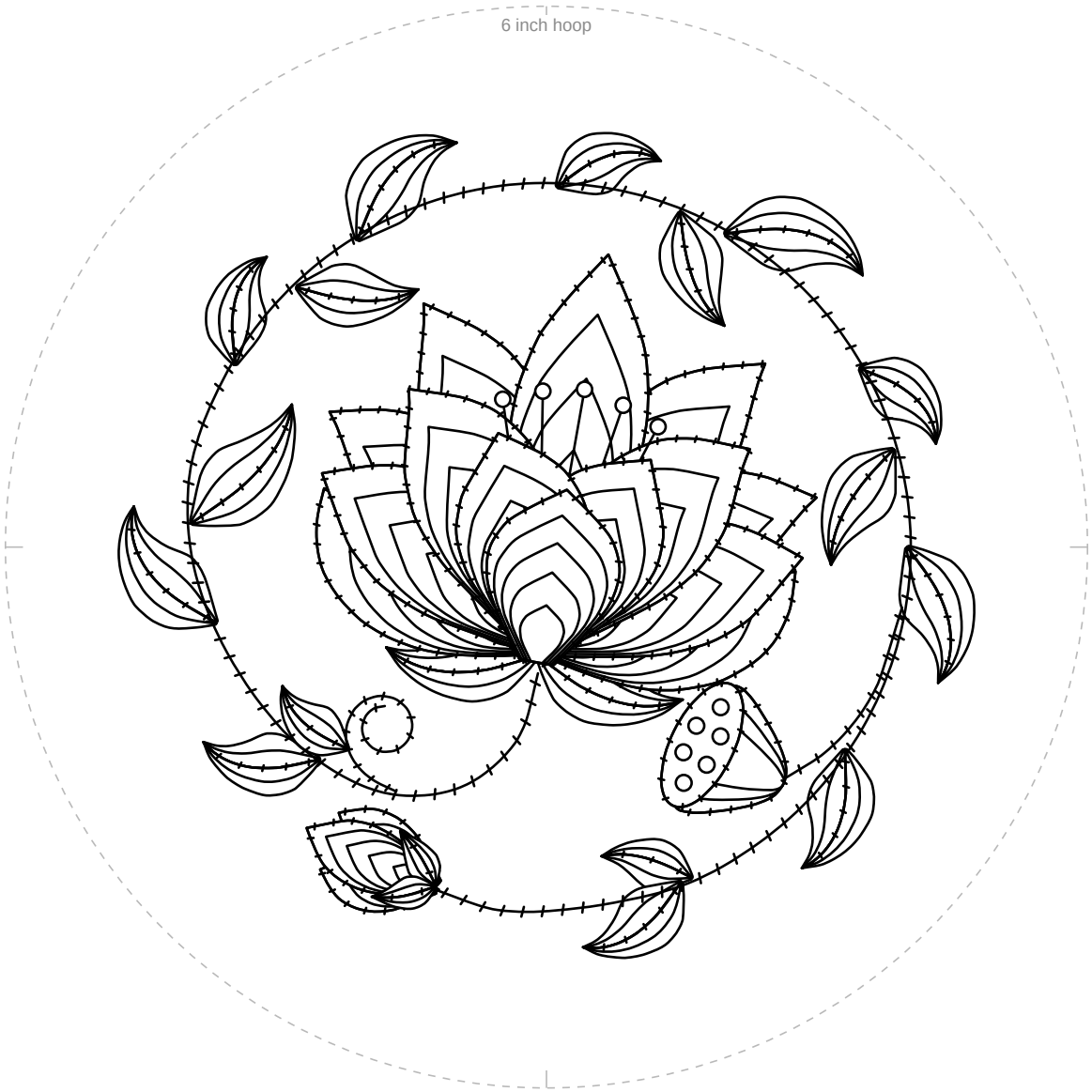
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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