Mini dog paw gift tag

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 3.2 × 4.7 in (8.1 × 11.9 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Tag, toes, main pad
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Striped edge, eyelet, eyelet hole, cord, cord knot
3. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Edge lines, eyelet rim, toe stripes, lines of the toe sprig, heart edge
4. **Back stitch**
   2 strands: cord knot lines, main pad plaid
   1 strand: toe check
5. **Blanket stitch**, 2 strands
   Blanket edges
6. **Running stitch**, 2 strands
   Tag running line
7. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 2 strands
   Loops of the toe sprig
8. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Heart
9. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Toe dots, sprig berry

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

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.

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.

Buy: 7 colors of floss (page 2), 3 skeins of DMC 712; one of each other color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), an embroidery needle size 9, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen, a water-soluble pen.

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



1 DMC 712 Cream
2 DMC 347 Very Dark Salmon
3 DMC 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise
4 DMC 3820 Dark Straw
5 DMC 433 Medium Brown
6 DMC 437 Light Tan
7 DMC 3328 Dark Salmon

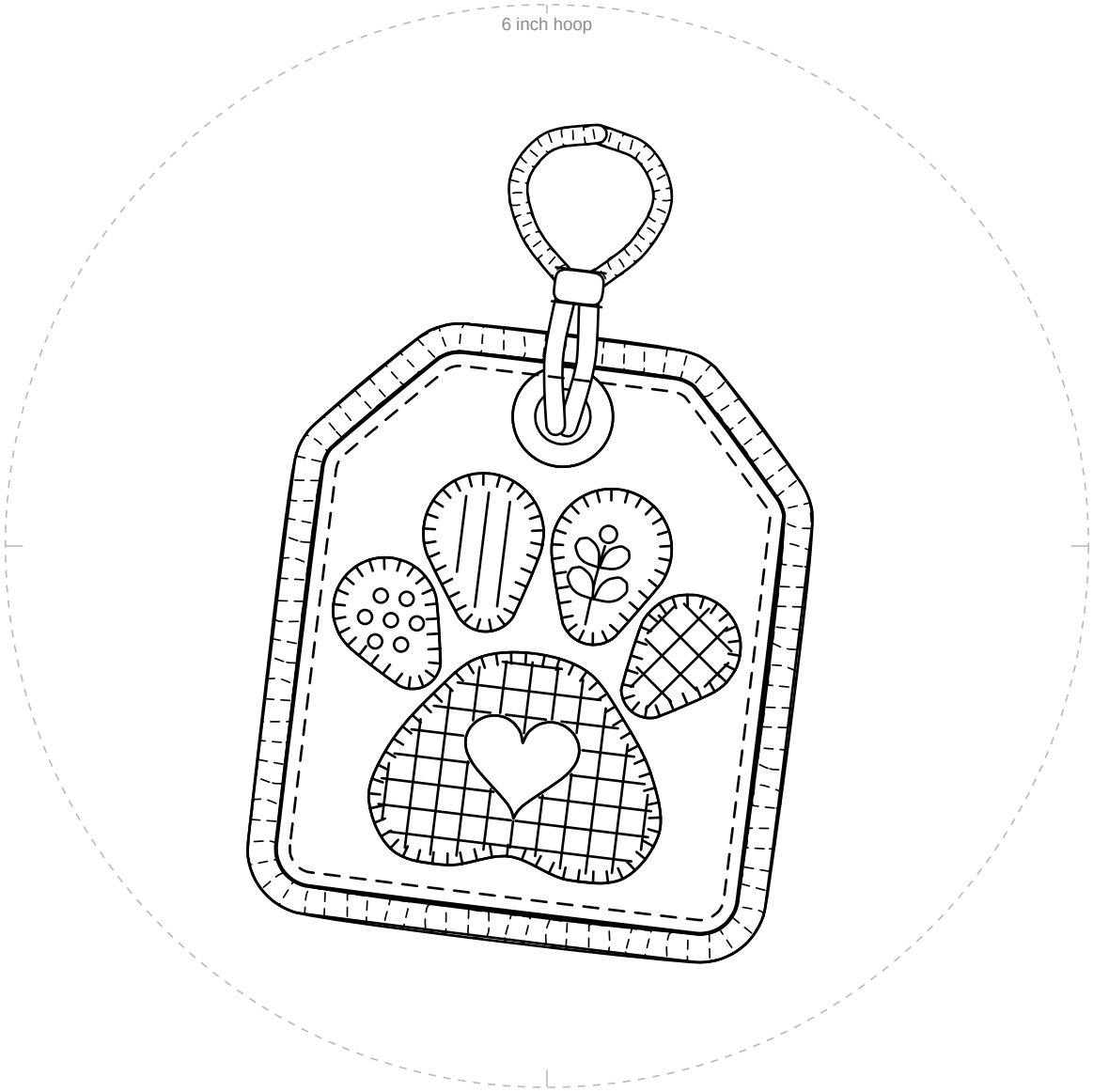
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Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot; a loop is one lazy daisy, begun at its point; a dashed line is running stitch; a finer one inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



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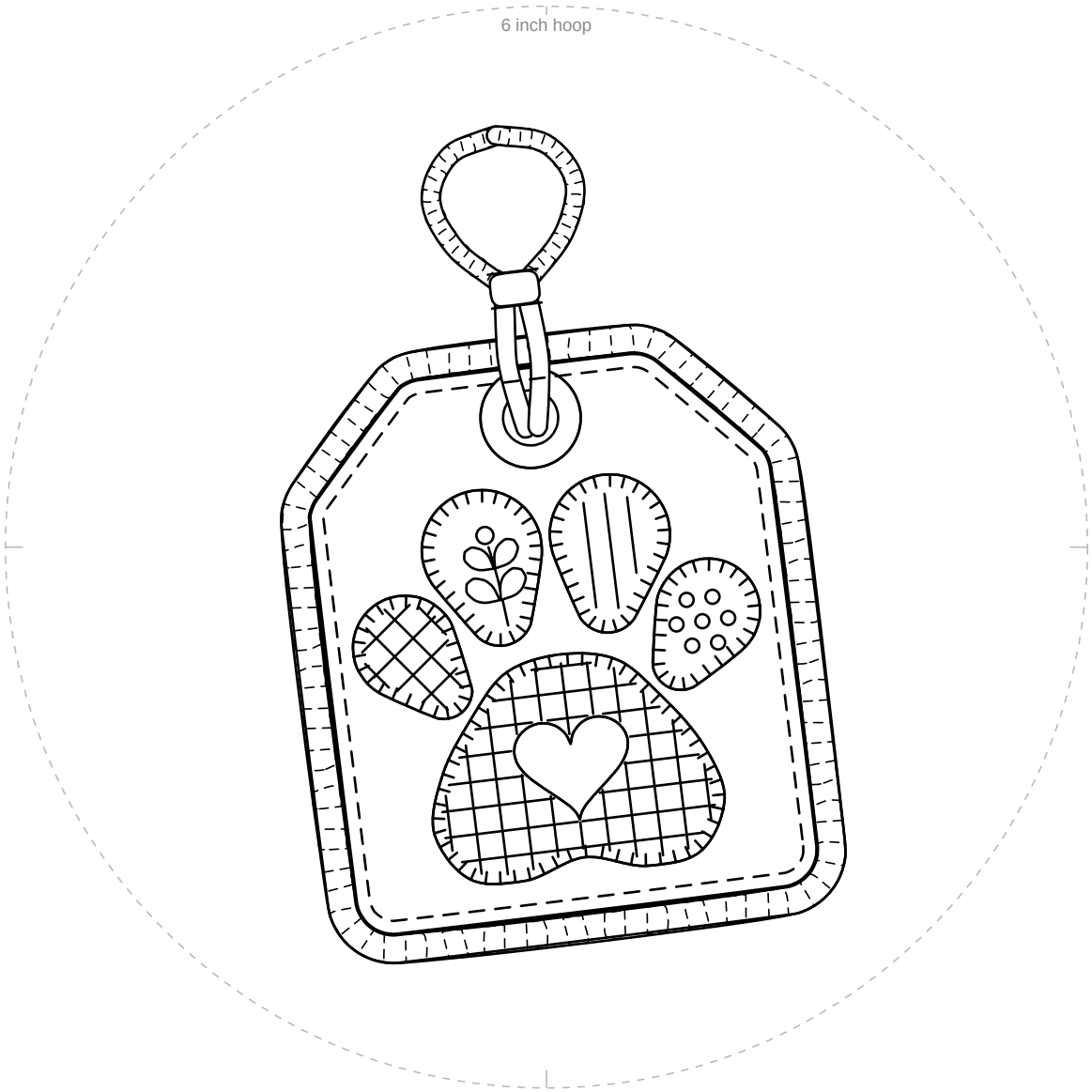
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