Mistletoe bunch with a bow

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.4 × 4.5 in (11.2 × 11.4 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

18 colors of floss (page 2): one skein of each 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 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.

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.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Lines of the stems

2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Stems, leaves, turned leaf edges, ribbon tails, bow



3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Cut stem ends, stem nodes



4. **Stem stitch**, 1 strand
   Leaf veins

5. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Berry shadows, edges of the turned leaf edges, bow edges, bow folds

6. **Padded satin stitch**, 1 strand
   Berries



7. **French knot**, 1 strand, two wraps
   Berry tips



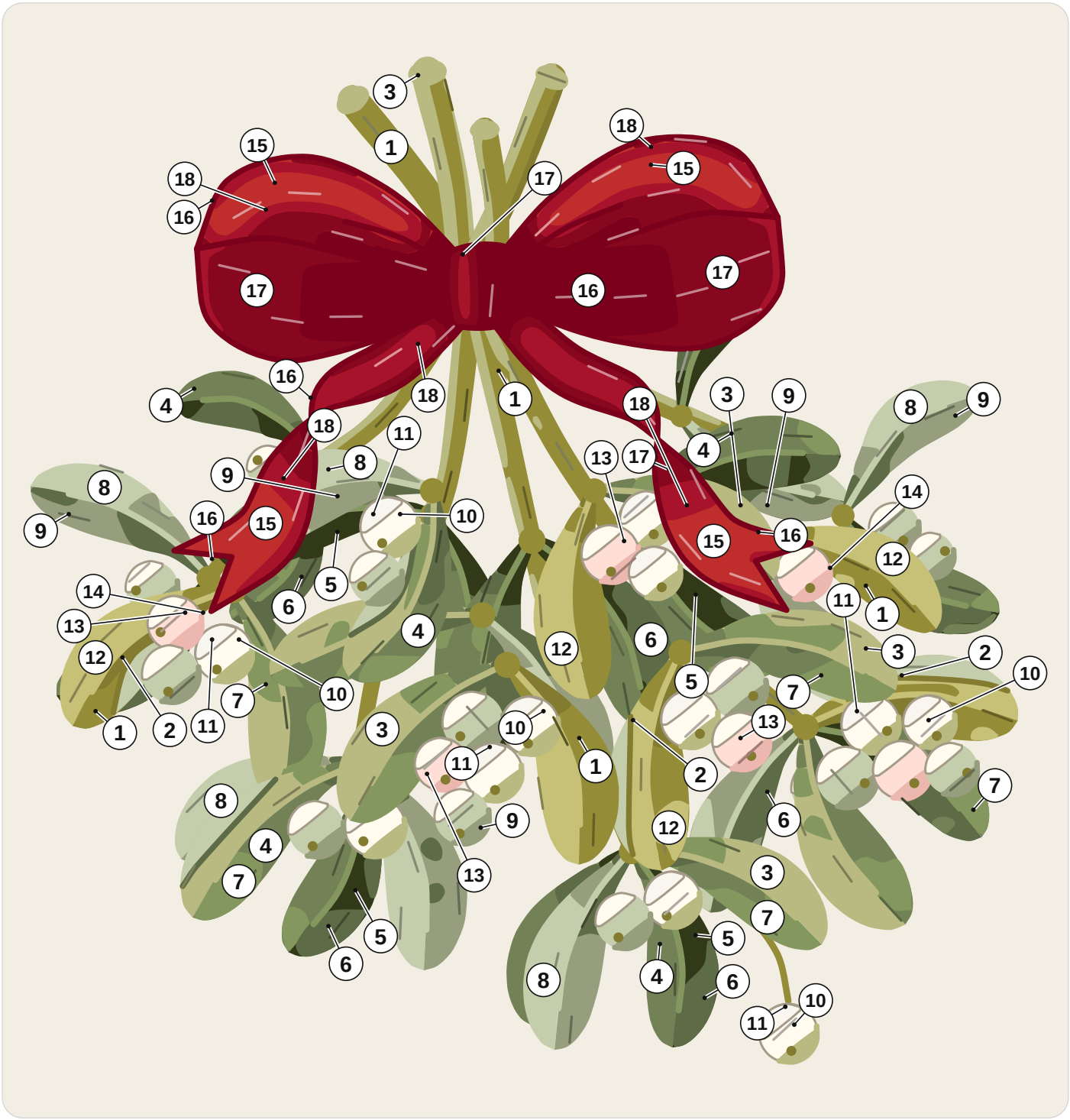
Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop or sew a pillow.

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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 732 Olive Green	7	DMC 3364 Pine Green	13	DMC 225 Ultra Very Light Shell Pink
2	DMC 730 Very Dark Olive Green	8	DMC 524 Very Light Fern Green	14	DMC 224 Very Light Shell Pink
3	DMC 3013 Light Khaki Green	9	DMC 522 Fern Green	15	DMC 347 Very Dark Salmon
4	DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green	10	DMC 712 Cream	16	DMC 814 Dark Garnet
5	DMC 934 Black Avocado Green	11	DMC 3865 Winter White	17	DMC 815 Medium Garnet
6	DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green	12	DMC 734 Light Olive Green	18	DMC 498 Dark Red

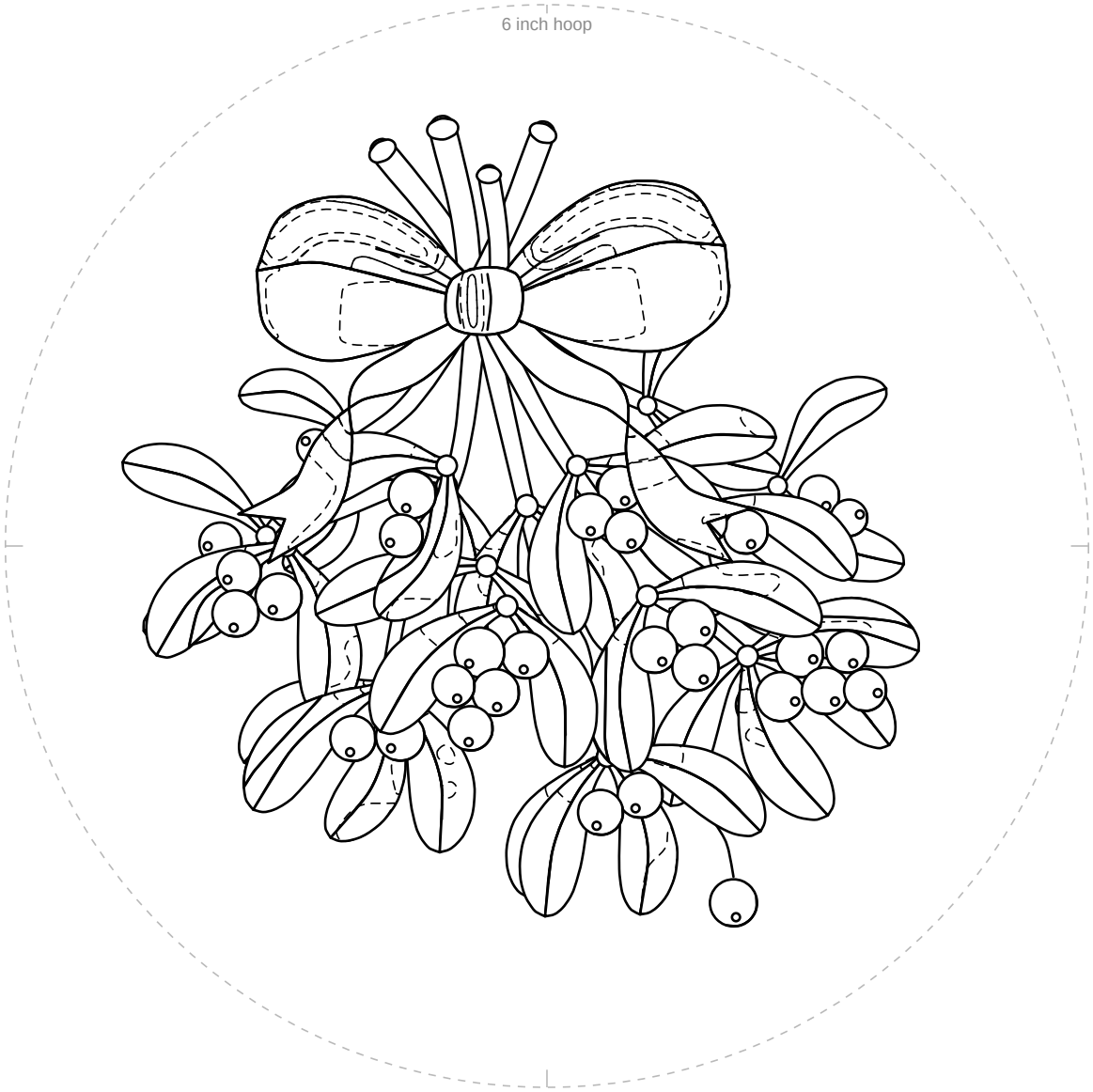
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Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot; a broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



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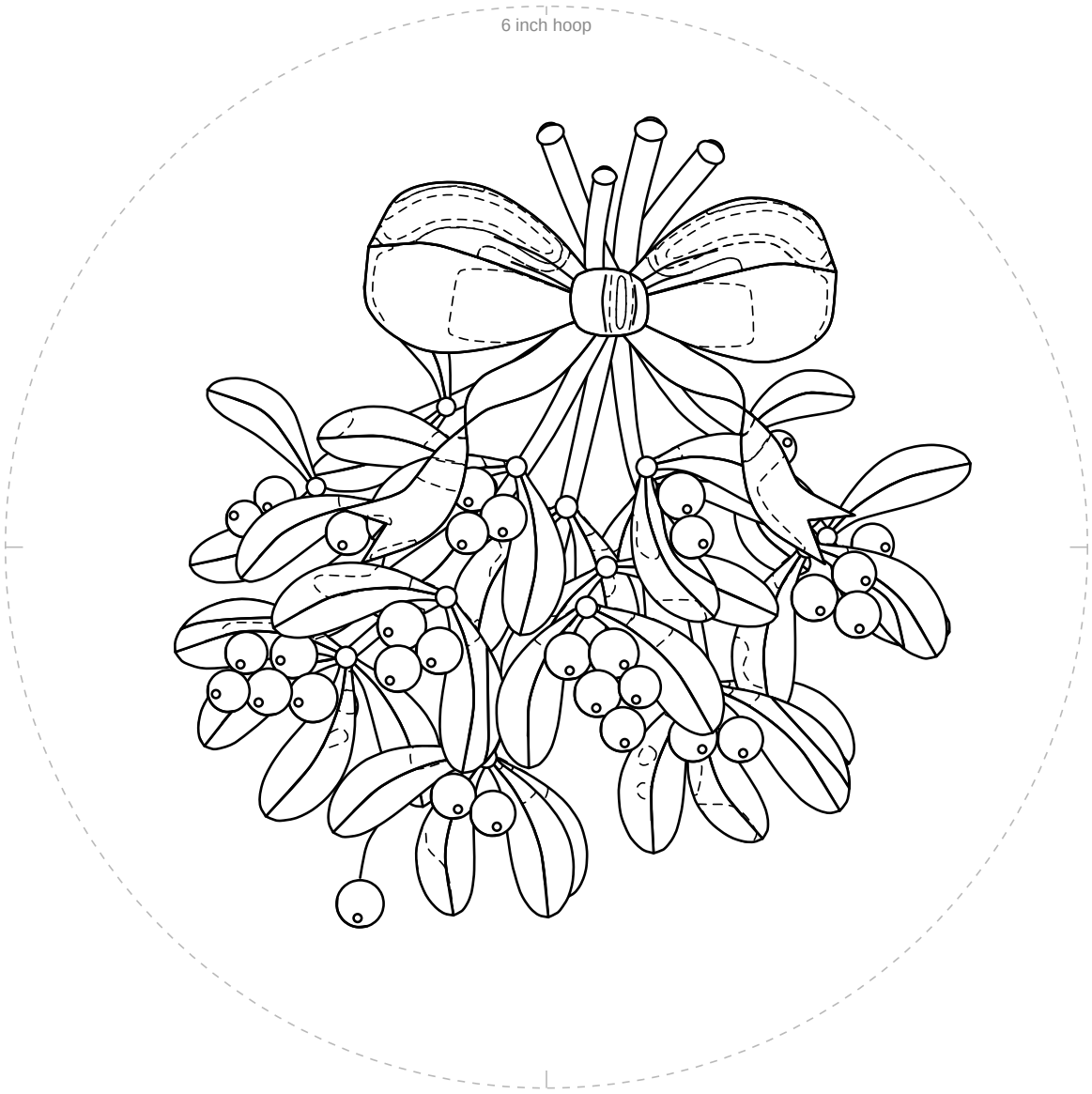
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