# Peacock mandala

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.8 × 4.8 in (12.2 × 12.2 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

## Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand
   Eye fringe



2. **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
   Quills, whiplash stems



3. **Fly stitch**, 1 strand
   Barbs



4. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Neck and breast, wing feathers



5. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Train eye rims, train eyes, bronze, train eyes, turquoise, train eyes, navy, whiplash leaves, buds, train scales, small wing feathers, shoulder, cheek, beak, rosette petals, rosette jewel



6. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand
   Lines of the crest, rosette rays



7. **French knot**, two wraps
   2 strands: eyes
   1 strand: knots of the crest, rosette knots



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

## 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: 17 colors of floss (page 2), one skein of each 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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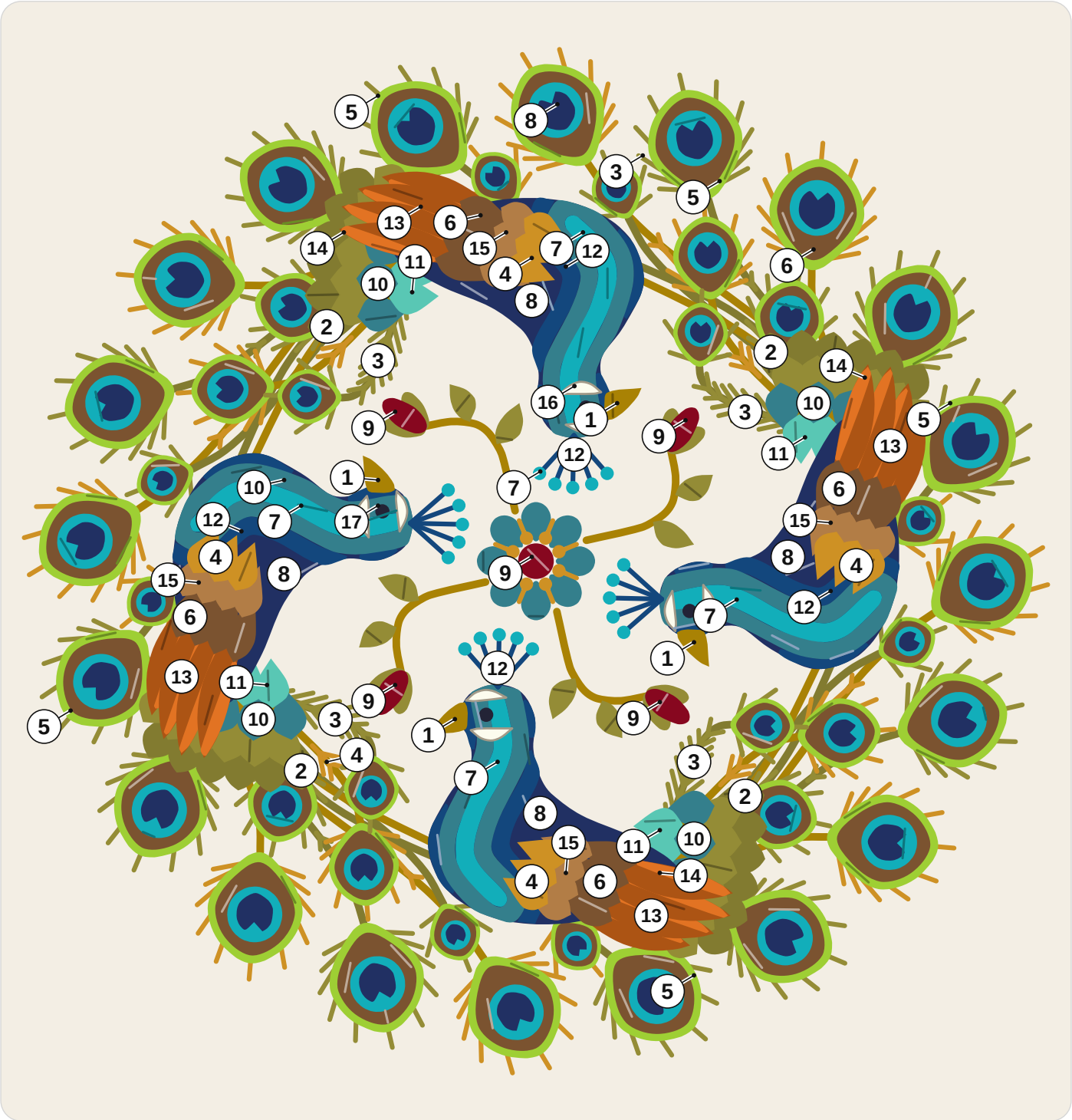
A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



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| **1** | DMC 3829 Very Dark Old Gold | **7** | DMC 3844 Dark Bright Turquoise | **13** | DMC 920 Medium Copper |
| **2** | DMC 730 Very Dark Olive Green | **8** | DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue | **14** | DMC 922 Light Copper |
| **3** | DMC 732 Olive Green | **9** | DMC 815 Medium Garnet | **15** | DMC 435 Very Light Brown |
| **4** | DMC 783 Medium Topaz | **10** | DMC 3765 Very Dark Peacock Blue | **16** | DMC 746 Off White |
| **5** | DMC 704 Bright Chartreuse | **11** | DMC 959 Medium Seagreen | **17** | DMC 310 Black |
| **6** | DMC 433 Medium Brown | **12** | DMC 797 Royal Blue | | |



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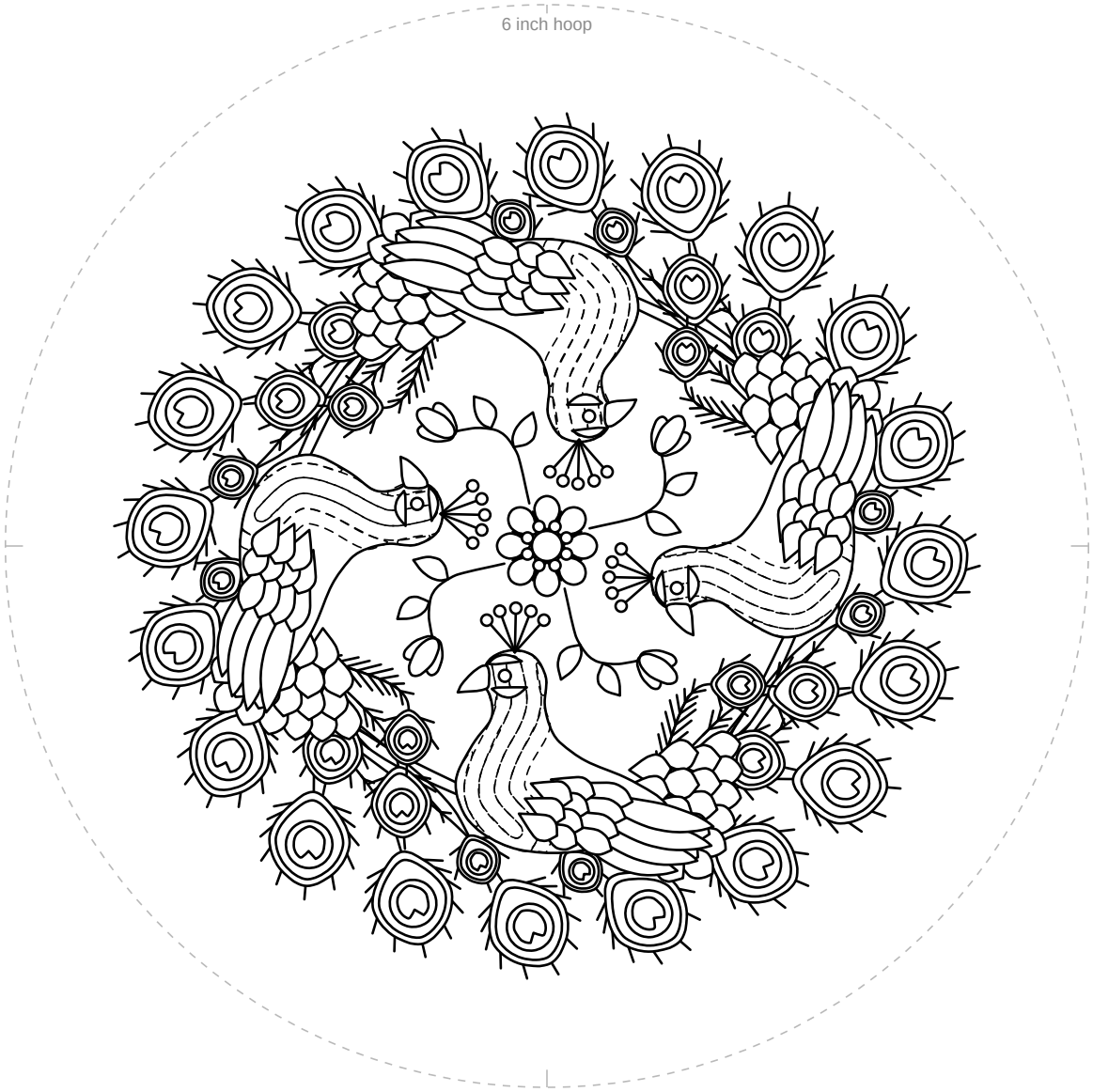
Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

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.




**1 in**
25.4 mm

Not 1 inch (25.4 mm)? Print again at 100%.



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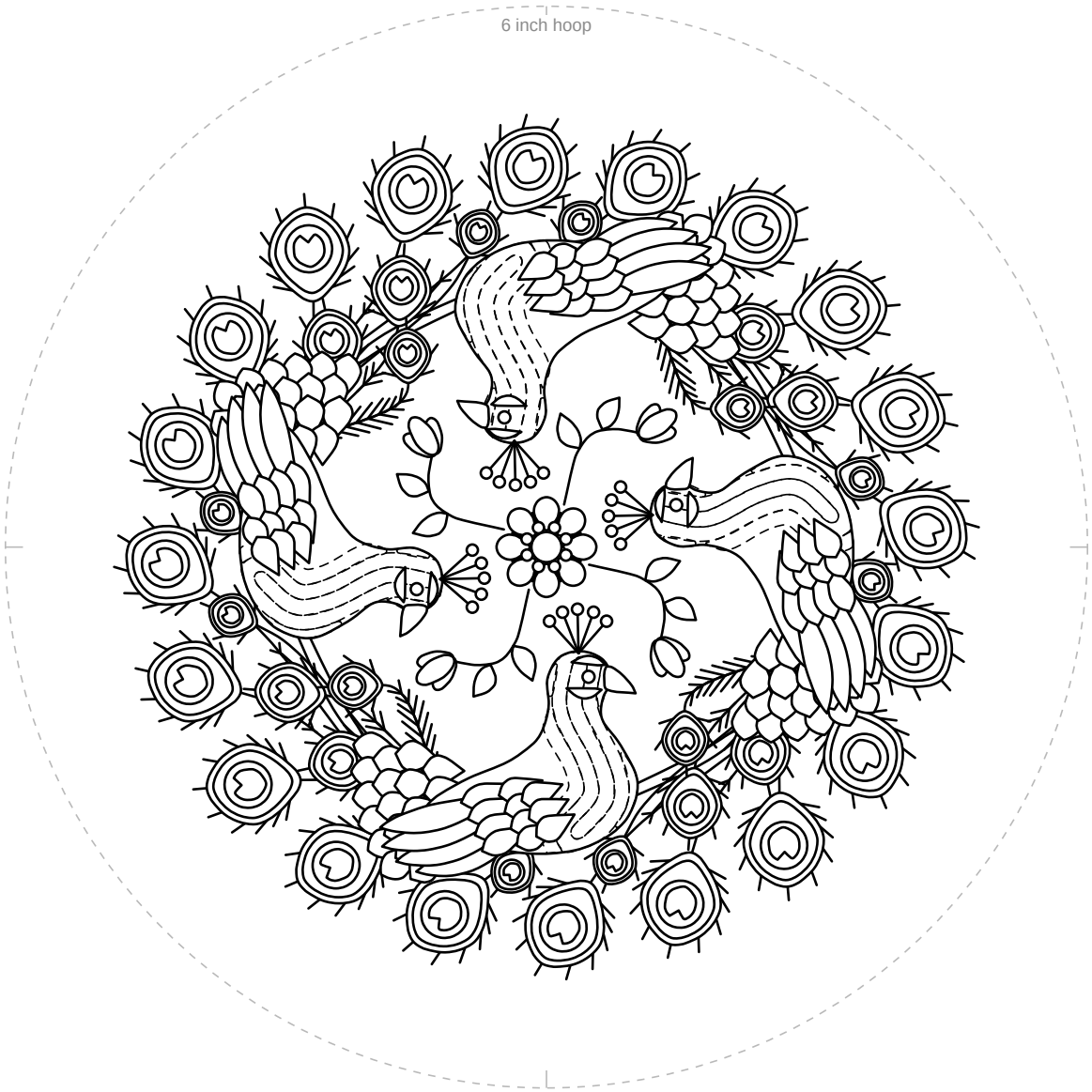
For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.

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