Pennsylvania folk turkey

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.9 × 4.7 in (12.4 × 11.9 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: black cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

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

An embroidery needle, size 9.

12 colors of floss (page 2): one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes).

A white pencil, and small scissors.

Onto the fabric

Fabric that lets light through: page 3 on a bright light, the fabric over it; trace with a white pencil.

Other fabric: print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, stick it on, stitch through it and rinse it away.

Or white or yellow carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint and go over a faint line with a white pencil.

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**, 3 strands
   Body edge

2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Head



3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Tulip petals, tulip centers, tulip cups, tail feathers, legs, toes, thighs, breast feathers, breast heart, wing caps, wing feathers, bill, snood, wattle, eyes, pupils, mound, mound heart, mound scallops, vine leaves, vine tulip petals, vine tulip centers, vine tulip cups



4. **Chain stitch**, 3 strands
   Tail stems, vine



5. **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
   Heart line

6. **French knot**, two wraps
   2 strands: tail dots, wing dots
   1 strand: eye highlights



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 347 Very Dark Salmon	5	DMC 783 Medium Topaz	9	DMC 676 Light Old Gold
2	DMC 815 Medium Garnet	6	DMC 598 Light Turquoise	10	DMC 597 Turquoise
3	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	7	DMC 3810 Dark Turquoise	11	DMC 310 Black
4	DMC 989 Forest Green	8	DMC 712 Cream	12	DMC 987 Dark Forest Green

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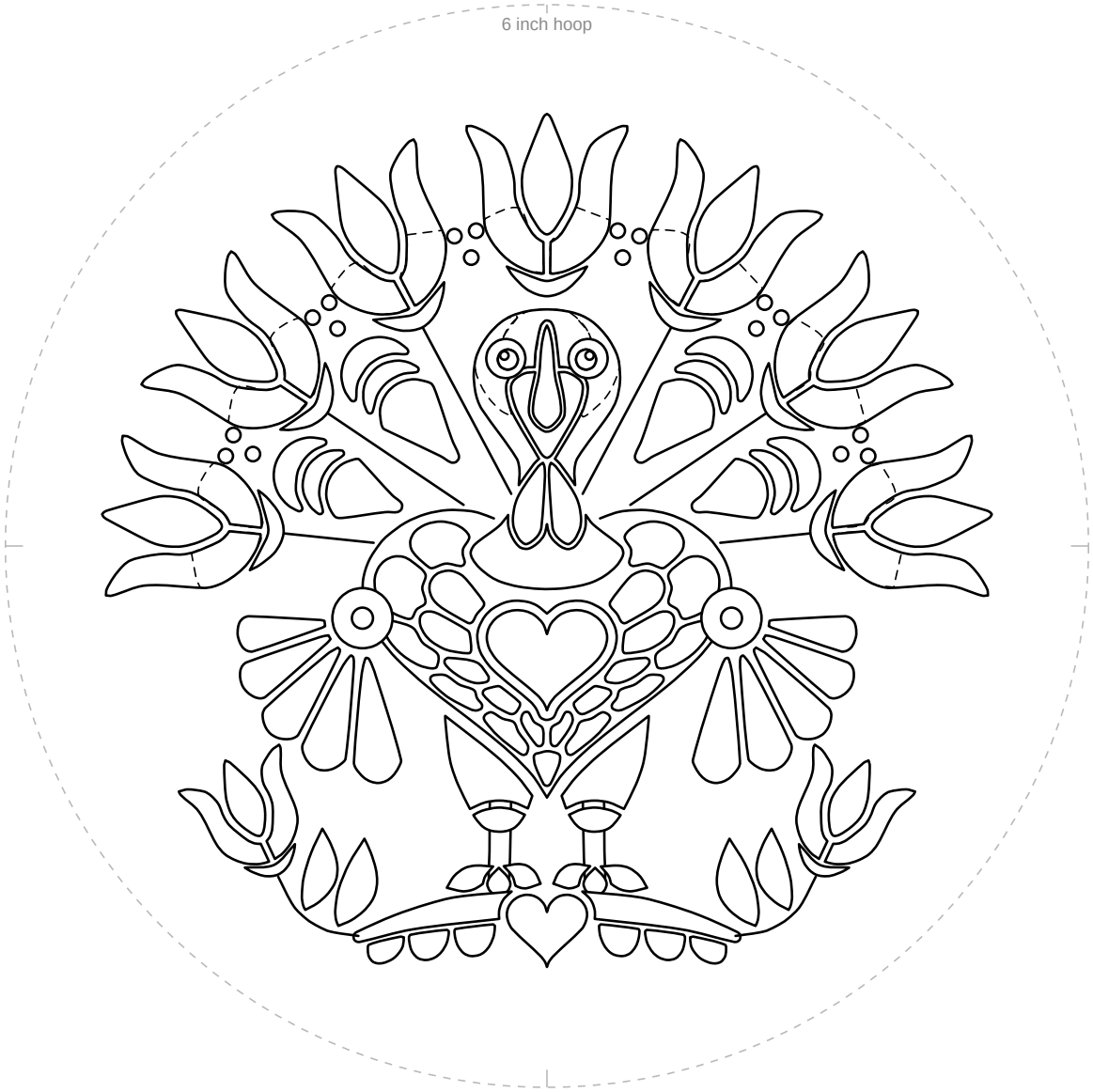
Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

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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