Chinese phoenix and birds on a branch

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.5 × 4.5 in (11.4 × 11.4 cm).



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
  Twigs, bough, body, shoulder, head, swallow, birds, blossom petals
- **Stem stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Bark lines, plume edges, feather edges, quills, body edge, wing edge, and 3 more
- **Fly stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Green plume, near wing
- **Lazy daisy stitch**, 1 strand
  Green plume, violet plume, crimson plume
- **Trellis stitch**, 2 strands
  Violet plume
- **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
  Crimson plume
- **Herringbone stitch**, 2 strands
  Gold plume
- **Straight stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Plume fringe, eye light, bird eye lights, bird feet, bud cups
- **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Plume eyes, far wing, near wing, body, legs, feet, thighs, tail coverts, and 16 more
- **Back stitch**, 1 strand
  Scale edges
- **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
  Leaves

Floss

- **DMC 3862 Dark Mocha Beige**
  Bough and twigs, bark lines (darker)
- **DMC 841 Light Beige Brown** Bark lines (lighter)
- **DMC 3812 Very Dark Seagreen**
  Green plume (dark) and 11 more parts
- **DMC 958 Dark Seagreen**
  Body (shade 4 of 8), shoulder (light) and 8 more parts
- **DMC 964 Light Seagreen**
  Green plume (light), body (shade 7 of 8) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 209 Dark Lavender**
  Violet plume (darker) and 10 more parts
- **DMC 742 Light Tangerine**
  Near wing (shade 8 of 9) and 21 more parts
- **DMC 3801 Very Dark Melon**
  Scale edges (middle) and 9 more parts
- **DMC 321 Red**
  Feather edges and quills (darkest) and 13 more parts
- **DMC 3847 Dark Teal Green**
  Scale edges (dark) and 6 more parts
- **DMC 211 Light Lavender** Plume eyes (shade 7 of 9)
- **DMC 552 Medium Violet**
  Near wing (shade 1 of 9), birds (dark) and 5 more parts
- **DMC 798 Dark Delft Blue**
  Swallow, birds (middle) and 4 more parts
- **DMC 744 Pale Yellow**
  Scale edges (light) and 7 more parts
- **DMC 783 Medium Topaz**
  Near wing (shade 6 of 9) and 6 more parts
- **DMC 970 Light Pumpkin**
  Body (shade 5 of 8), bird breasts (dark) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 310 Black** Bird eyes and gape, eye lid and eye (darker)
- **DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Bird breasts (light), eye (lighter) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 3755 Baby Blue**
  Bird wings (shade 7 of 7), bird edges (light)
- **DMC 988 Medium Forest Green**
  Leaves (lighter), bud cups
- **DMC 3833 Light Raspberry** Blossom petals and buds

Stitches, continued

- **French knot**, 1 to 2 strands, two wraps
  Stamen tips

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 2 to a sunny window or lay it on a light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a sharp pencil or a water-soluble pen.
2. **Fabric you cannot see through**
   Lay dressmaker's carbon paper colored side down on the fabric with page 2 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on**
   Go over the lines of page 3, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron.

Pages 2 and 3 are the pattern at actual size. Print them at 100% with scaling turned off.

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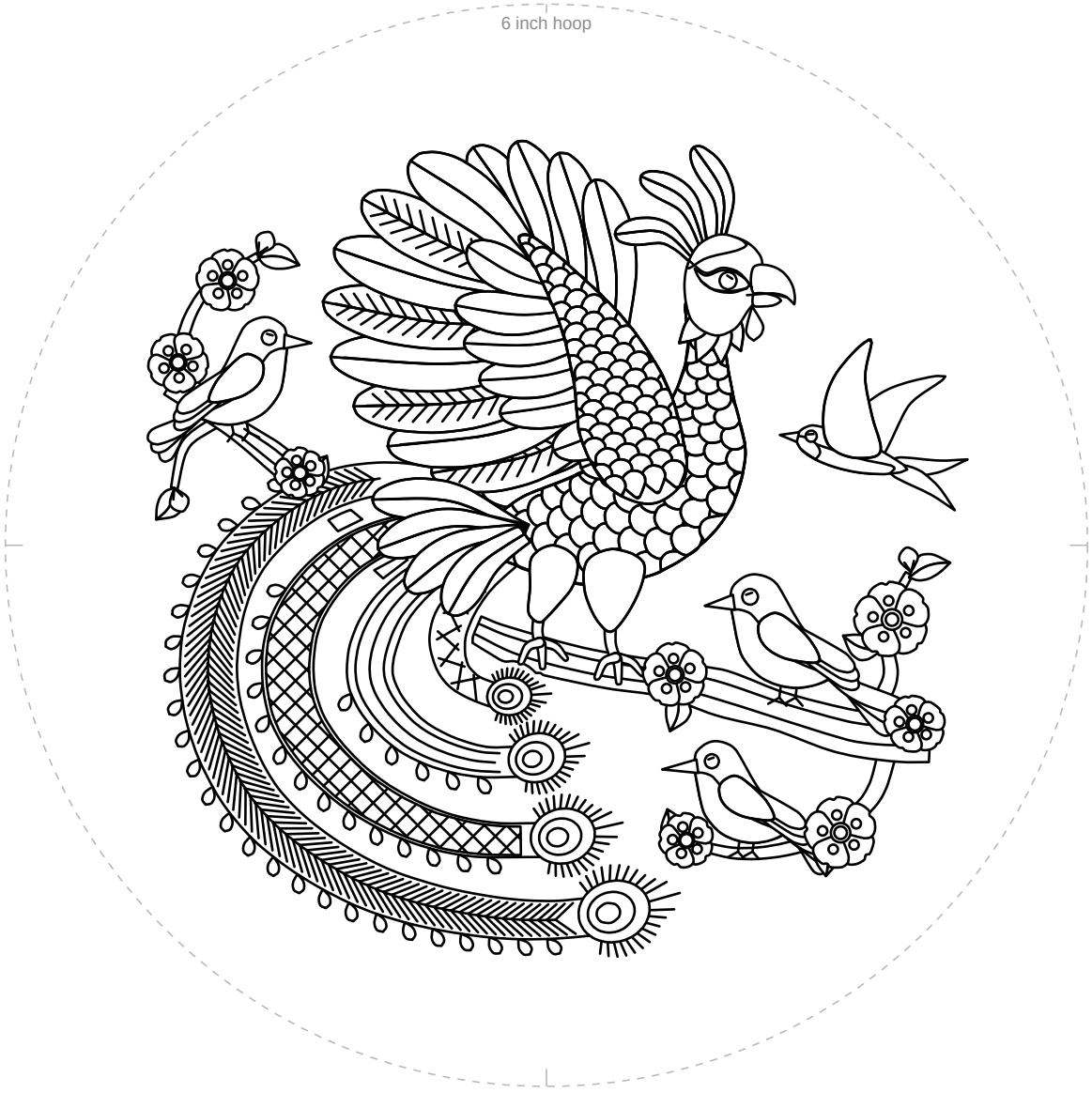
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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