Racing stripe letters, letter A

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, letter 3.7 in (9.4 cm) tall, 3.5 × 3.7 in (8.9 × 9.4 cm)



Colors.
Fabric: tan cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

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

An embroidery needle, size 7.

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 2 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 2 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 3, 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 each part with tiny stitches that it covers, never a 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.

Floss

DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green
Outer stripes

DMC 741 Medium Tangerine
Middle stripe

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. Satin stitch, 2 strands
Outer stripes, middle stripe



Take out lines that still show, press face down on soft cloth.

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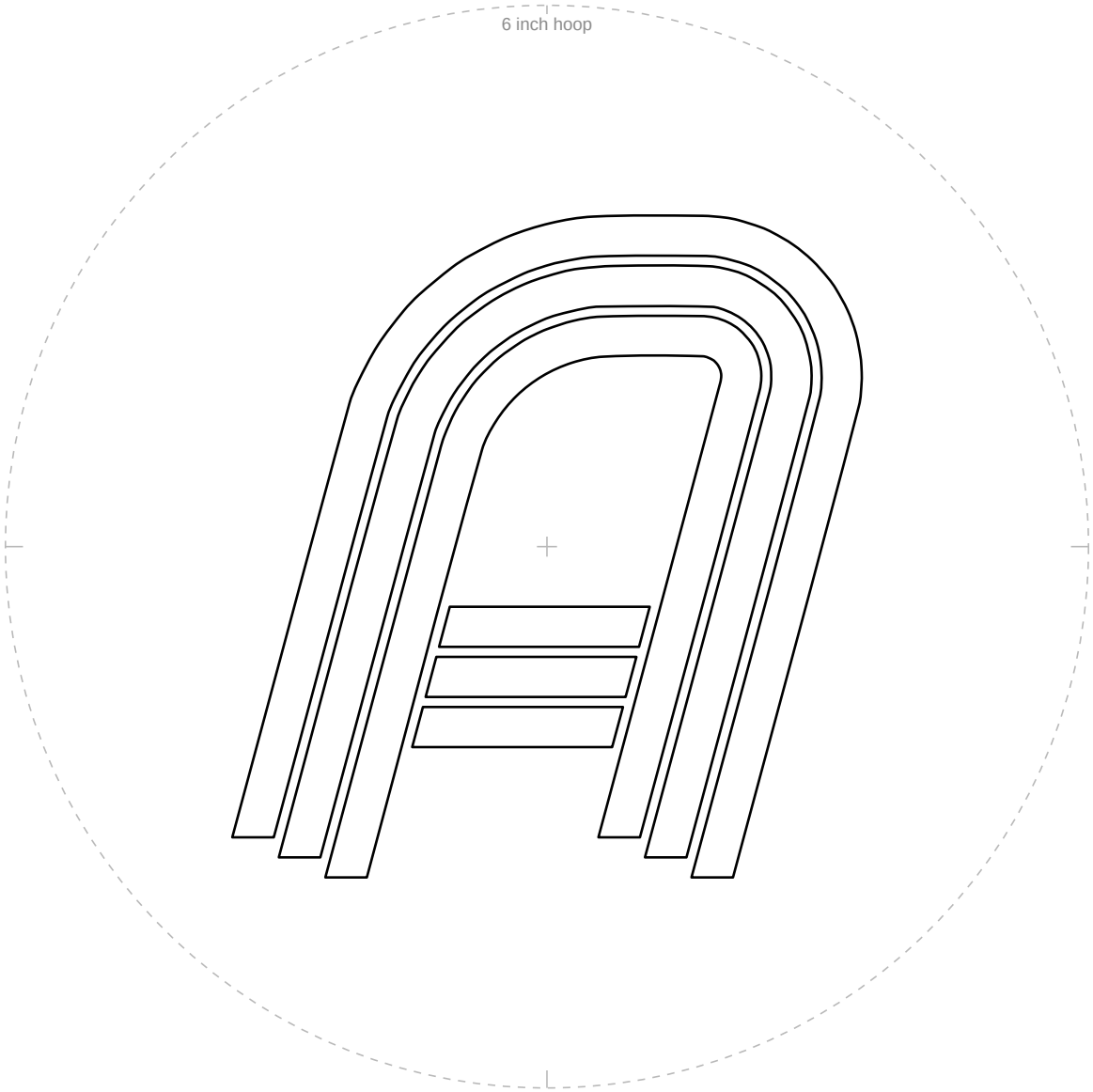
Letter 3.7 in, 6 inch hoop

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.



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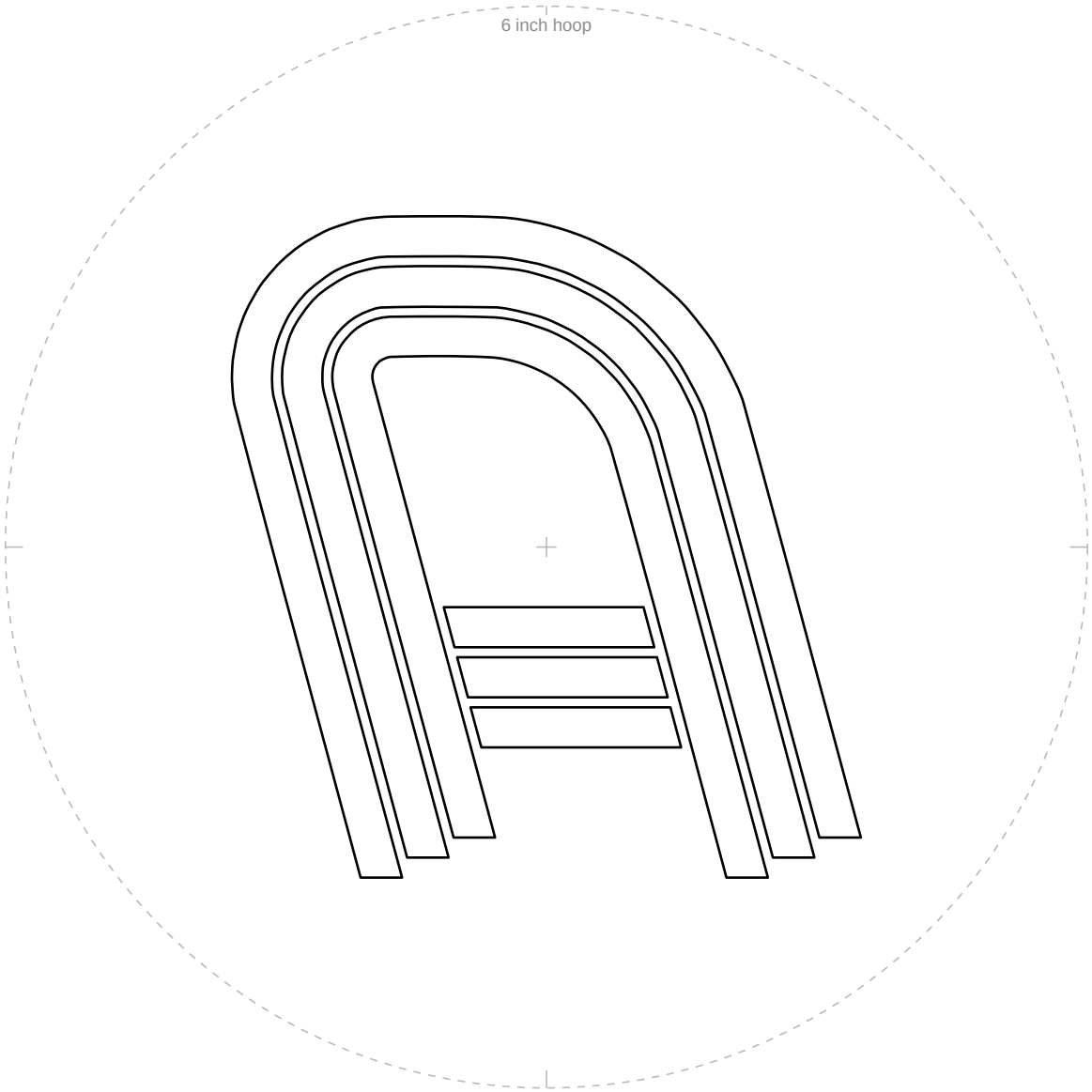
For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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