Retro piano border with music notes

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 5 × 2.8 in (12.7 × 7.1 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: dark teal cotton or linen.

Three ways onto dark fabric

1. **Light shines through it**
   Lay page 3 on a bright light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a white marking pencil or pen.
2. **No light shines through**
   Print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, smooth it onto fabric that can be washed, stitch through both and rinse it away.
3. **White or yellow carbon paper**
   Lay it colored side down on the fabric with page 3 on top, tape the layers and trace firmly with a ballpoint pen. Go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Page 3 is the pattern at actual size (page 4 is its mirror, for an iron-on pen on a light fabric). Print it at 100% with scaling turned off. Then put the fabric in the hoop: inner ring under, drawing up, tight as a drum.

Floss

- **1 DMC 712 Cream**
  White keys and music notes
- **2 DMC 840 Medium Beige Brown**
  Key lines
- **3 DMC 3371 Black Brown**
  Black keys
- **4 DMC 3863 Medium Mocha Beige**
  Black key shine
- **5 DMC 920 Medium Copper**
  Back rail and petal lines, end discs (dark)
- **6 DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Rainbow bands (lighter), front rail and daisy hearts, end discs (light)
- **7 DMC 721 Medium Orange Spice**
  Daisy petals, rainbow bands (darker), end discs (middle)
- **8 DMC 598 Light Turquoise**
  Leaves

Stitch in this order

Filled parts from the back of the picture forward, then lines and knots.

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   White keys, back rail, end discs, rainbow bands, music notes, leaves, daisy petals, daisy hearts



2. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Black keys, end discs



3. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Key lines

4. **Straight stitch**
   strands by part on page 2
   Black key shine, petal lines



5. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Front rail



6. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Daisy hearts



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How to read it

Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

Inside a filled shape start with two or three tiny stitches, which the filling covers. Start a line with a small knot on the back. End each thread by running the needle under the backs of a few stitches.

Each small ring is one French knot.

A number on the picture is a color of the list of floss on page 1. The fine lines on the colors show which way the stitches lie.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches. The first time: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.



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How many strands

Straight stitch. 2 strands: petal lines; 1 strand: black key shine.

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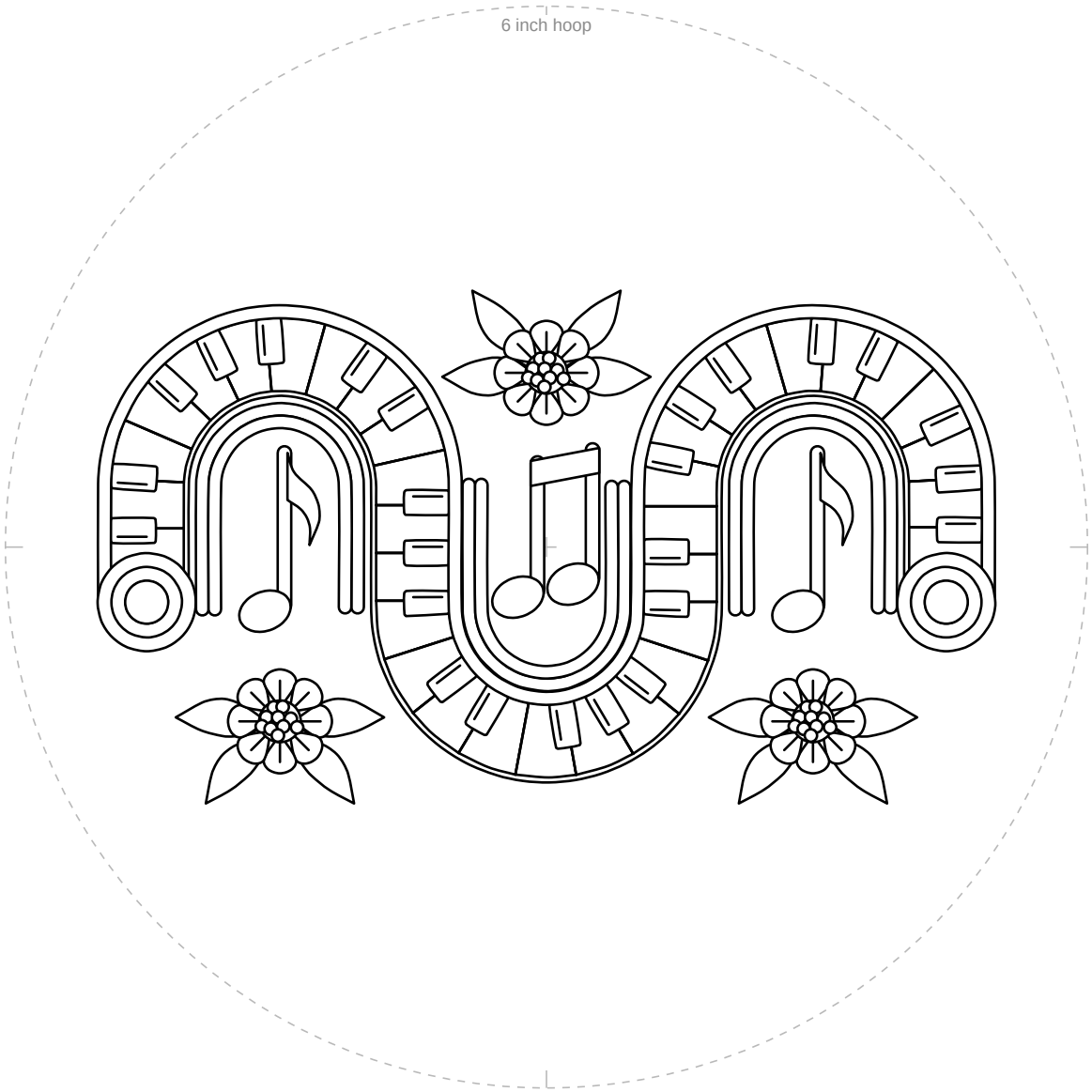
Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

Check square: 1 inch (25.4 mm) on each side.
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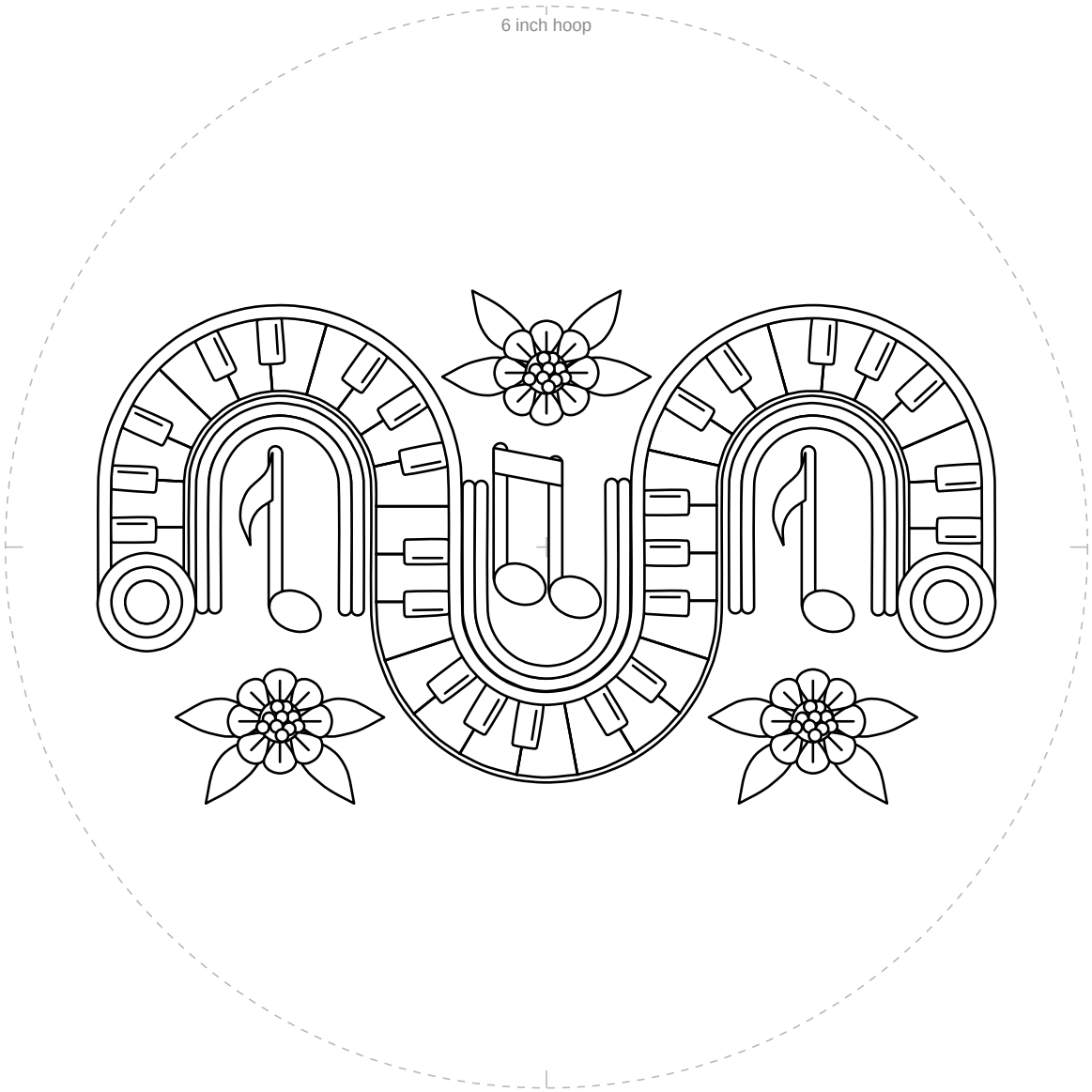
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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