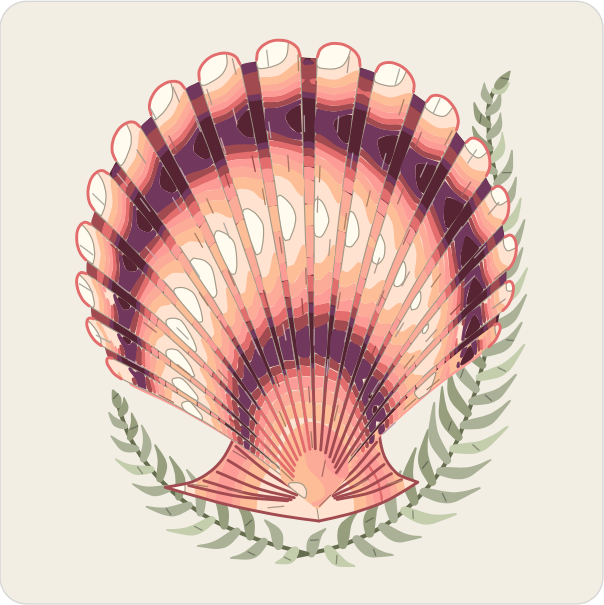
Scallop shell

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 3.9 × 4.6 in (9.9 × 11.7 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

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

An embroidery needle, size 9.

13 colors of floss (page 2): 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 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.

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, color 1
   Sea fern stem

2. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 2, 3, 4
   Sea fern fronds



Stitch in this order, continued

3. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand, colors 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13
   Ears, grooves, ribs, beak



4. **Split stitch**, colors 10, 11
   1 strand: ear ridges, frill edge, groove lines
   2 strands: ear edges

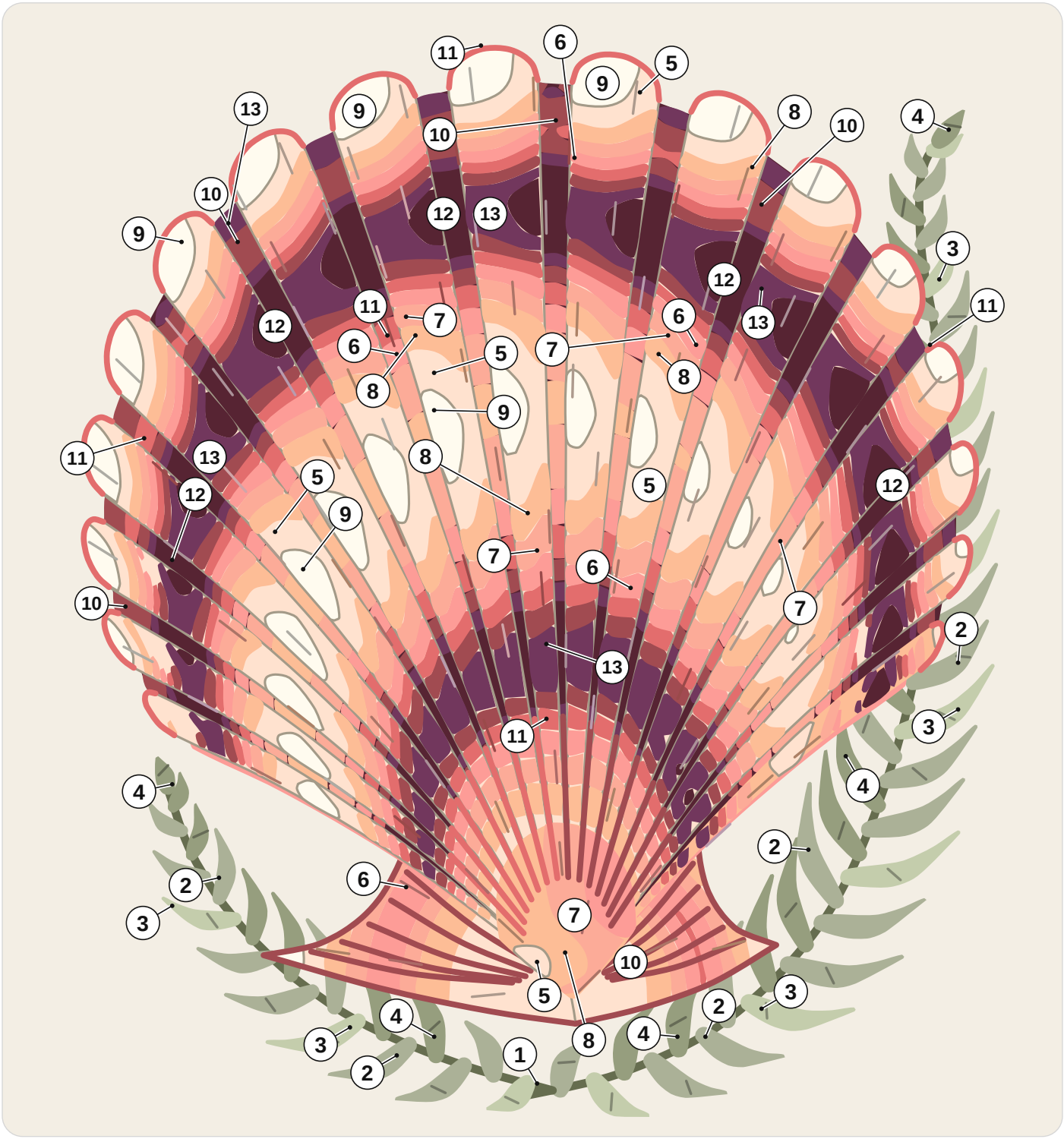
Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop or sew a pillow.

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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 520 Dark Fern Green	**6**	DMC 352 Light Coral	**11**	DMC 3328 Dark Salmon
2	DMC 523 Light Fern Green	**7**	DMC 3341 Apricot	**12**	DMC 154 Very Dark Grape
3	DMC 524 Very Light Fern Green	**8**	DMC 3825 Pale Pumpkin	**13**	DMC 3834 Dark Grape
4	DMC 522 Fern Green	**9**	DMC 712 Cream		
5	DMC 951 Light Tawny	**10**	DMC 3721 Dark Shell Pink		

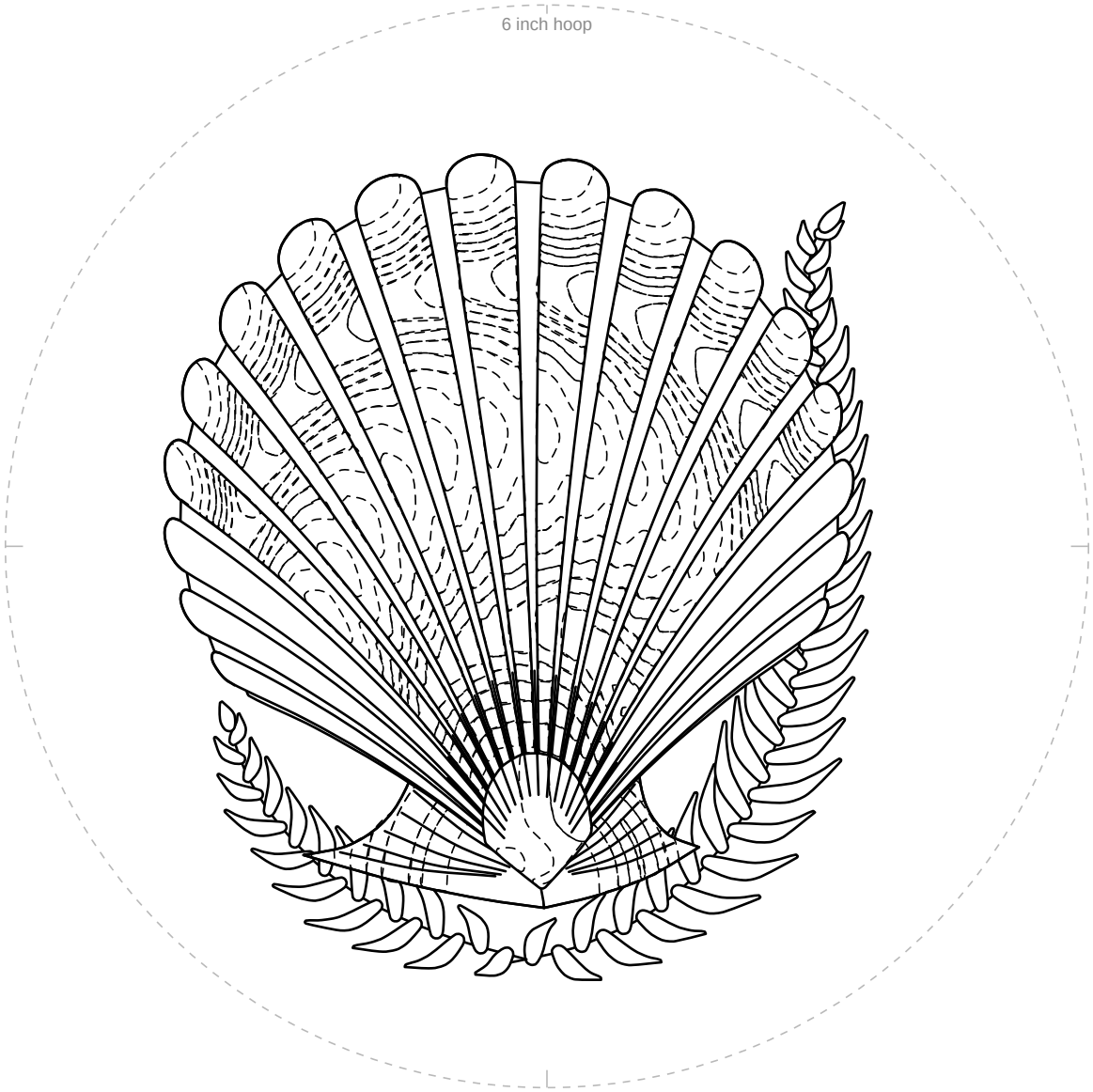
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Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



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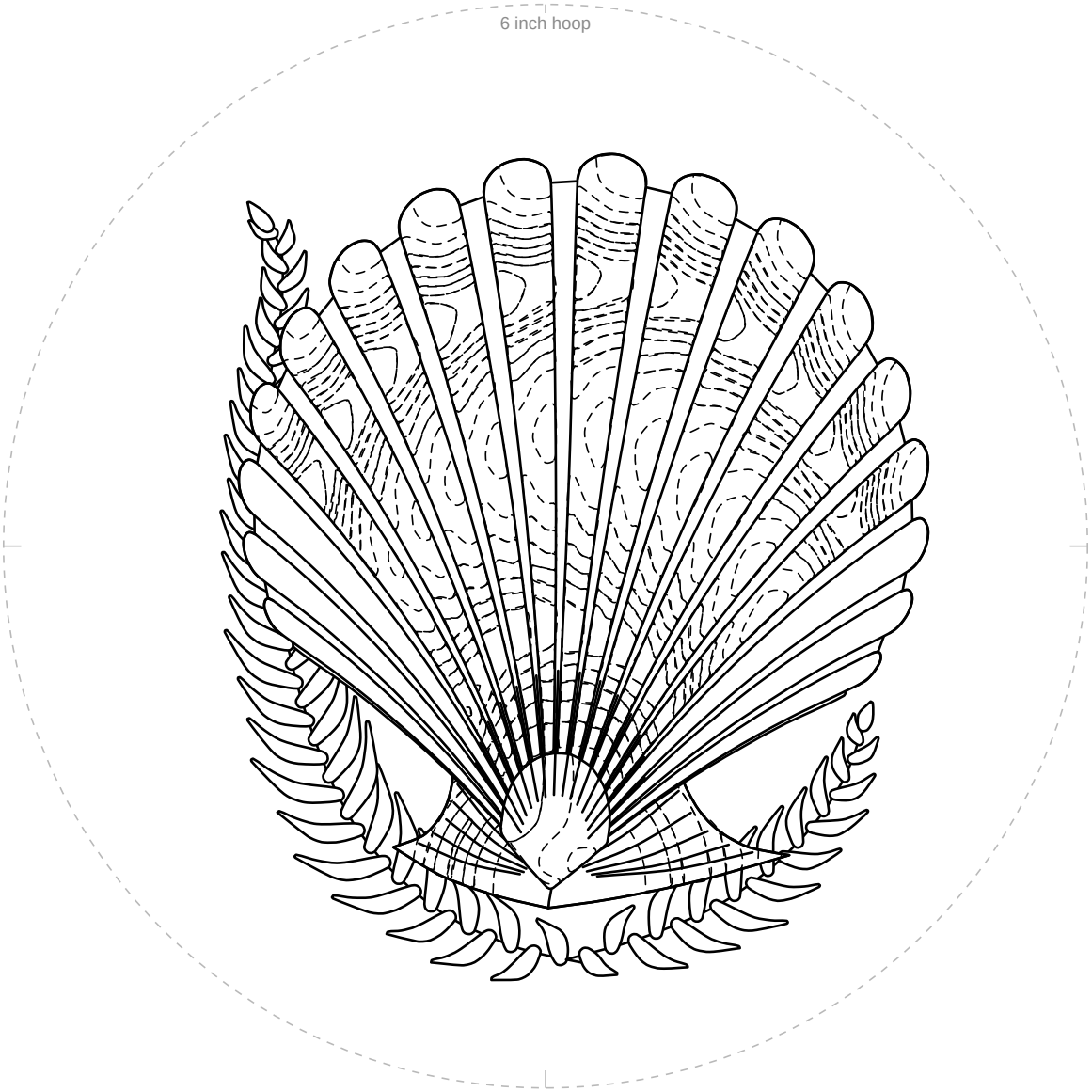
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For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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