Scalloped ring border

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.6 × 4.7 in (11.7 × 11.9 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.

Embroidery needles, size 7, and size 5 for 4 strands.

5 colors of floss (page 2): 2 skeins of DMC 796 and 2 of DMC 798; one of each other 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 2
   Tulip stems

2. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 1, 2, 3, 4
   Tulip leaves, tulip centers, tulip petals, middle scallop fans, inner scallop fans



3. **Buttonhole stitch**
   2 strands, colors 1, 2
   Outer scallop rims, middle scallop rims, inner scallop rims



4. **Straight stitch**
   2 strands, colors 1, 3
   Middle scallop ribs, inner scallop ribs



5. **Whipped back stitch**
   4 strands, color 5
   Inner edge

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.



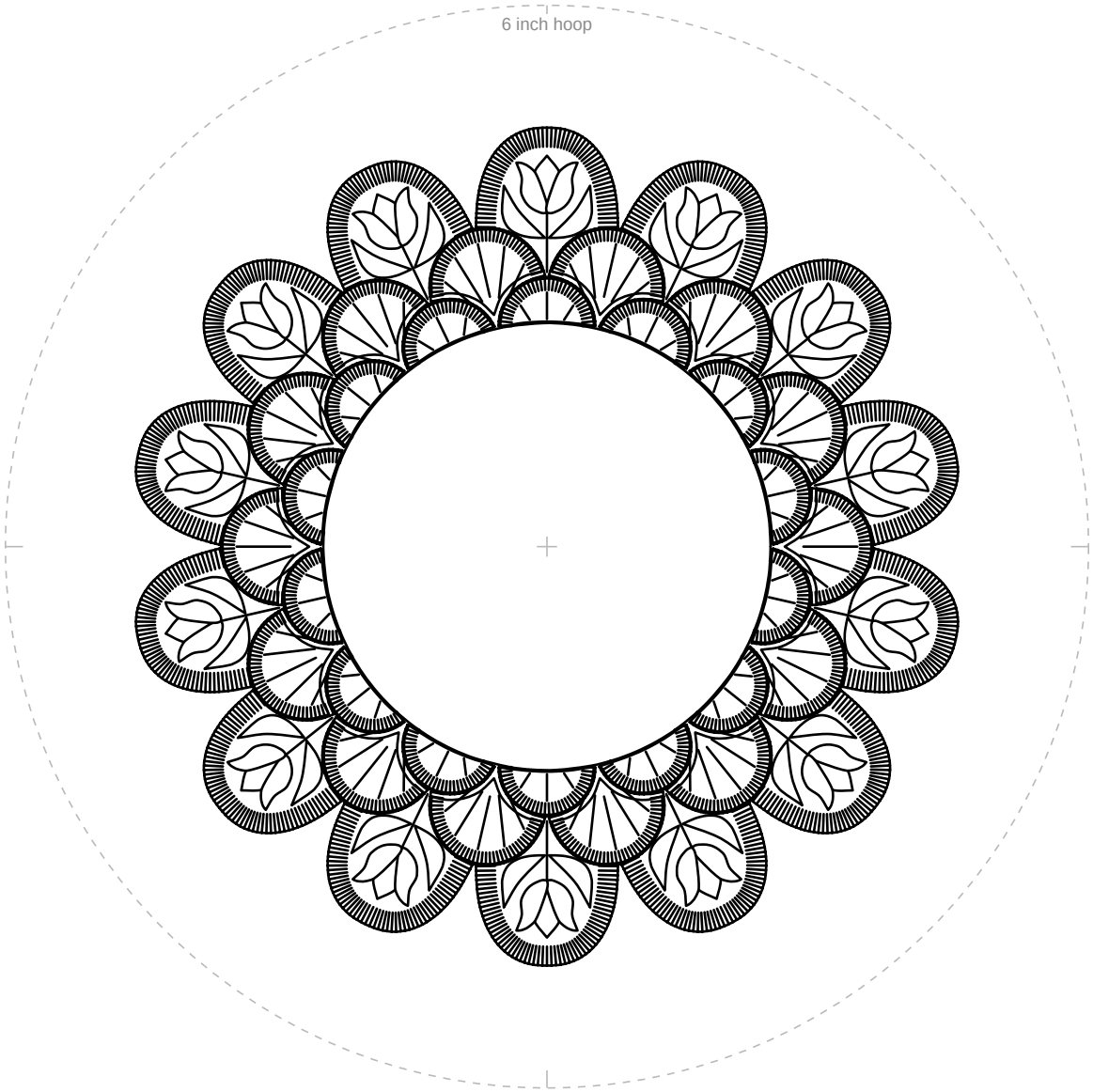
1 DMC 796 Dark Royal Blue
2 DMC 798 Dark Delft Blue
3 DMC 799 Medium Delft Blue
4 DMC 800 Pale Delft Blue
5 DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue

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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.



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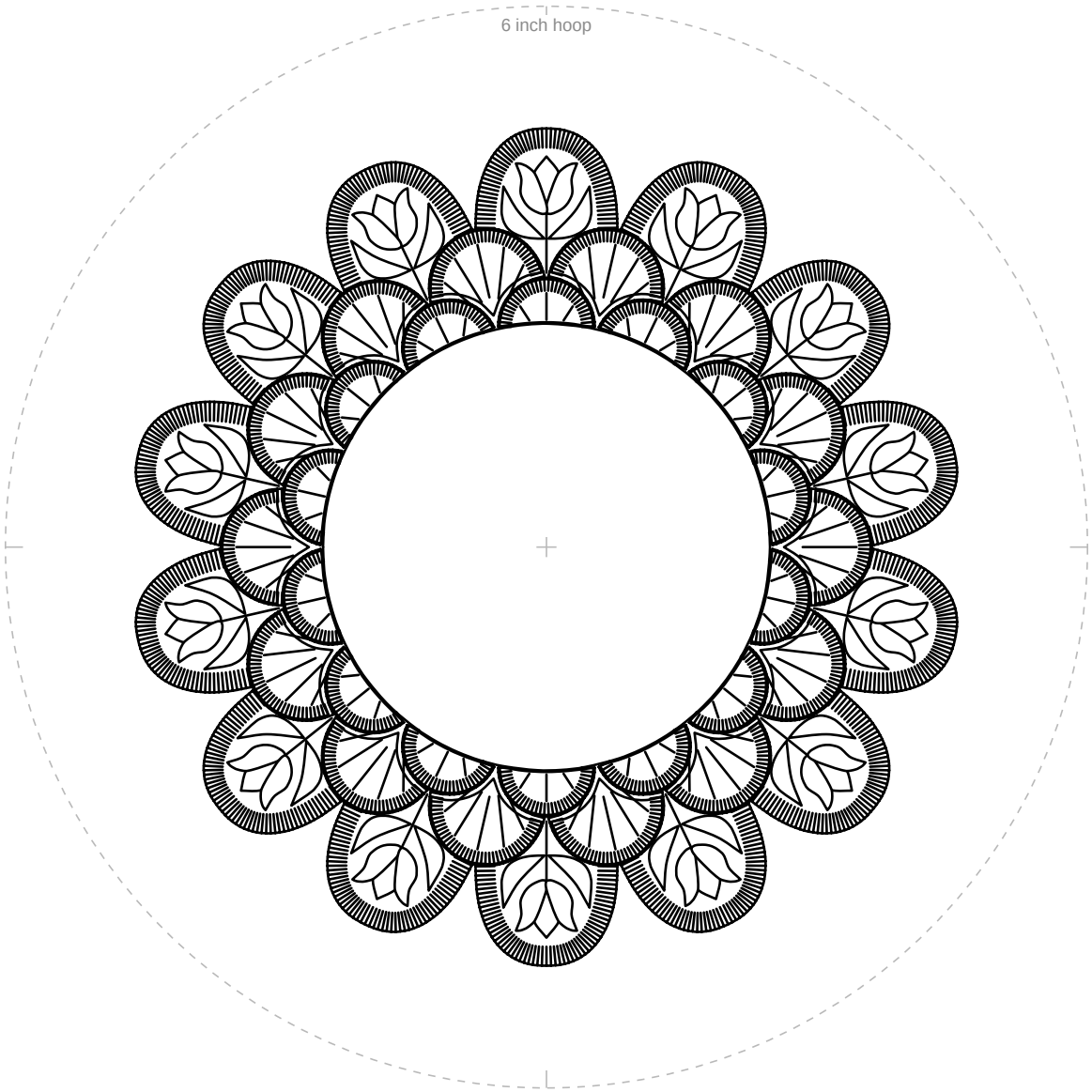
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For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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