Shamrock and thistle border

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.8 × 2.8 in (12.2 × 7.1 cm).



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Stem stitch**, 1 to 6 strands
  Stalks, thistle leaf veins, shamrock veins, tendrils, vine, cup edges, wing edges, feelers
- **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Thistle leaves, shamrocks, blossom leaves, clover blossoms, blossom cups, scale tips, thistle cups, ruff, bee wings
- **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
  Thistle tufts
- **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
  Thistle tufts, bee sting
- **Trellis stitch**, 1 strand
  Cup trellis
- **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Bee, bee bands, bee head
- **French knot**, 1 strand, two wraps
  Bee eye

Floss

- **DMC 986 Very Dark Forest Green**
  Vine, stalks and scale tips, thistle leaves (darker) and 3 more parts
- **DMC 988 Medium Forest Green**
  Blossom leaves, thistle leaves (lighter), thistle cups (middle) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 3348 Light Yellow Green**
  Thistle leaf veins and shamrock veins
- **DMC 699 Green** Shamrocks (darker)
- **DMC 701 Light Green** Shamrocks (lighter)
- **DMC 3687 Mauve** Clover blossoms (darkest)
- **DMC 3688 Medium Mauve**
  Clover blossoms (dark)
- **DMC 3689 Light Mauve** Clover blossoms (light)
- **DMC 818 Baby Pink** Clover blossoms (lightest)
- **DMC 211 Light Lavender** Thistle tufts (lightest)
- **DMC 550 Very Dark Violet** Thistle tufts (darkest)
- **DMC 552 Medium Violet** Thistle tufts (dark)
- **DMC 553 Violet** Thistle tufts (middle)
- **DMC 209 Dark Lavender** Thistle tufts (light)
- **DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green**
  Thistle cups (light)
- **DMC 895 Very Dark Hunter Green**
  Cup trellis and cup edges
- **DMC 3753 Ultra Very Light Antique Blue**
  Bee wings and bee eye
- **DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue**
  Wing edges and bee path
- **DMC 3820 Dark Straw** Bee
- **DMC 898 Very Dark Coffee Brown**
  Bee bands, bee head, feelers and bee sting

Stitches, continued

- **Running stitch**, 2 strands
  Bee path

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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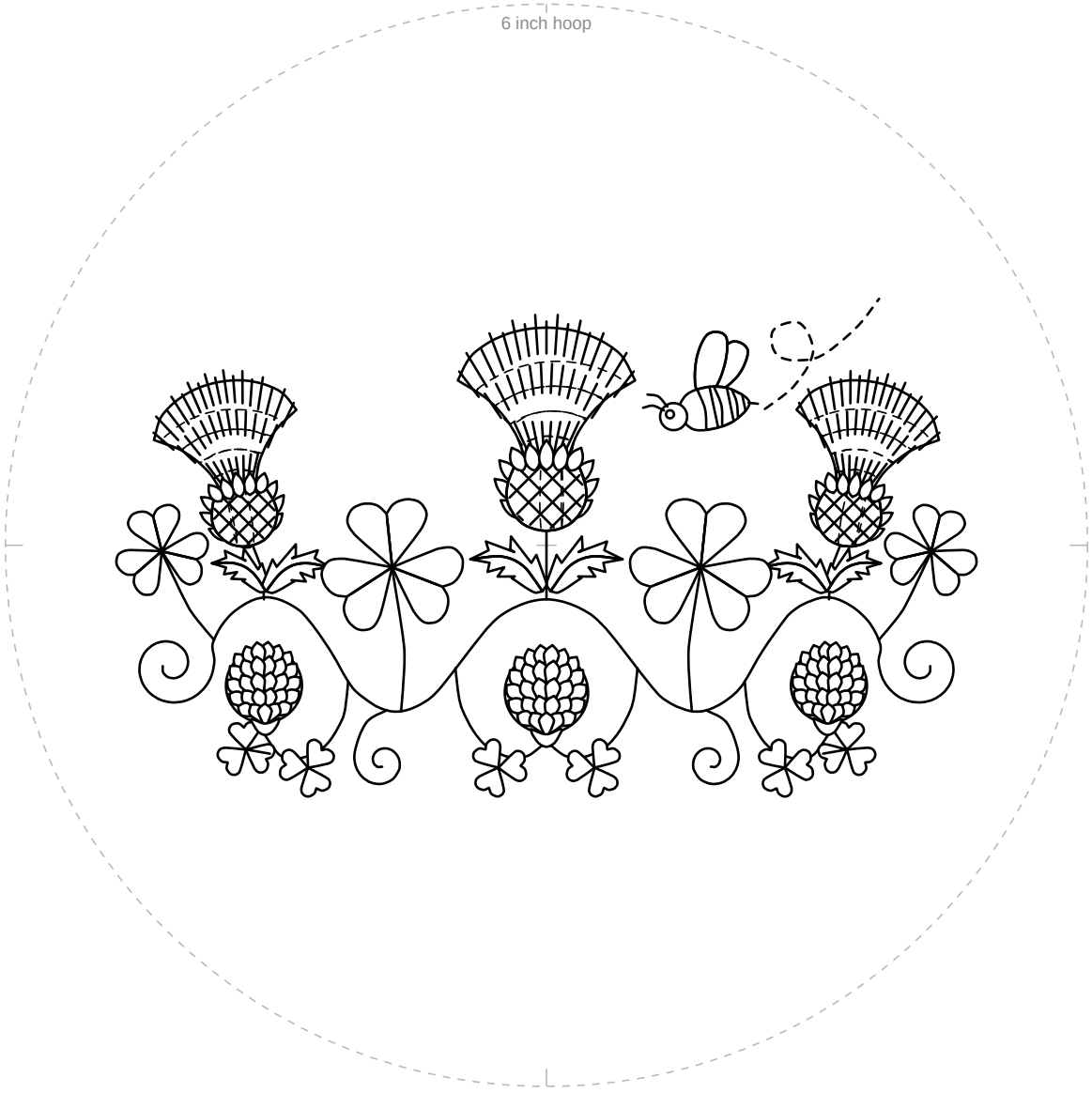

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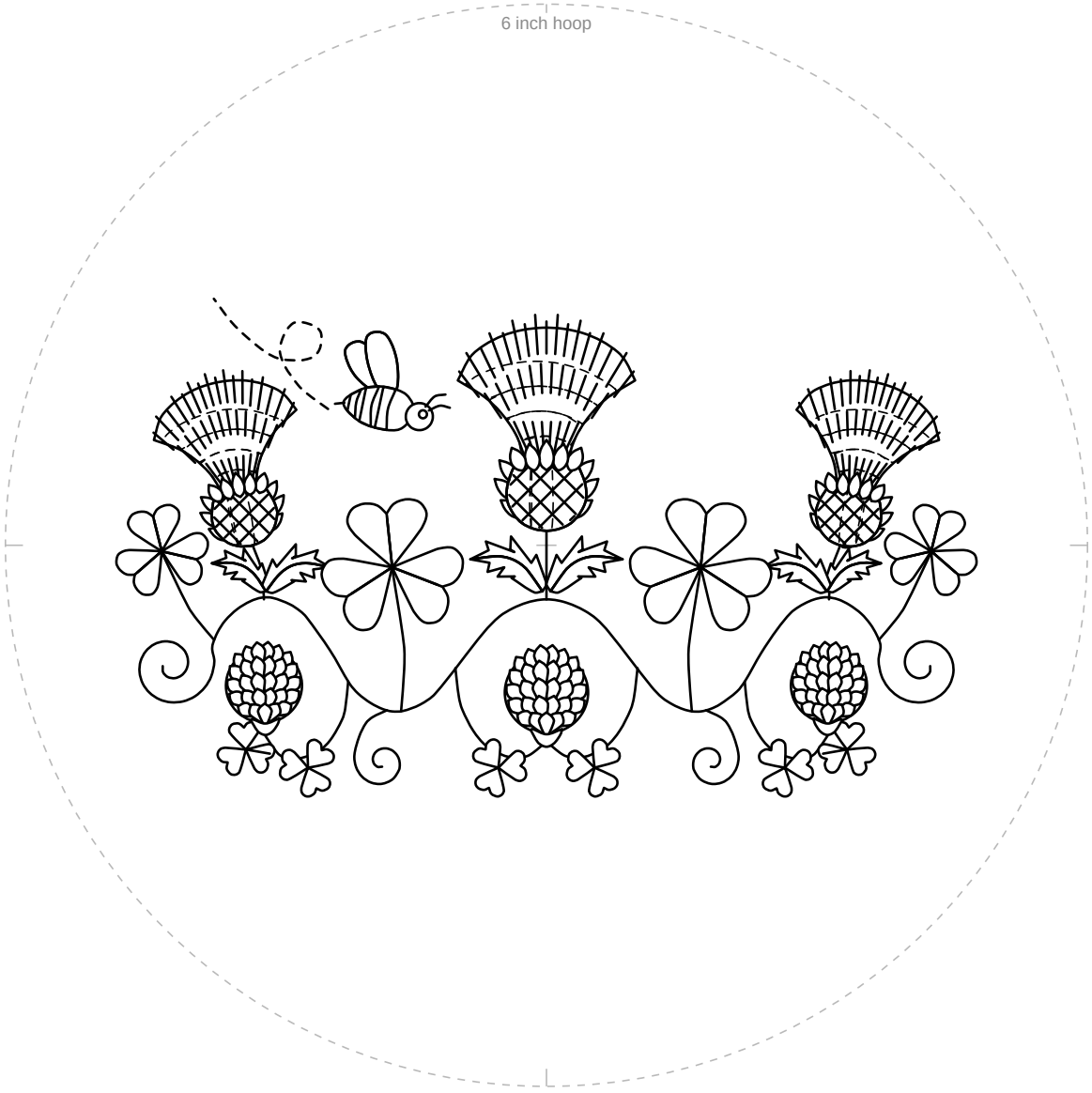
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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