Sheep face in a scalloped fleece

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 3.5 × 3.5 in (8.9 × 8.9 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: pale blue cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

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

An embroidery needle, size 9.

17 colors of floss (page 2): 2 skeins of DMC 318; 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. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand, colors 1, 5, 6, 7, 10
   Ears, face



2. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16
   Inner ears, eyelids, eyes, pupils, nose, clover leaves, clover bloom



3. **Split stitch**, 1 strand, colors 1, 13
   Scallop edges, eye lines (color 13)

4. **Stem stitch**
   3 strands, colors 13, 14
   Eye lines (color 13), nostrils, mouth, lines of the clover stem

5. **Lazy daisy stitch**
   2 strands, colors 14, 17
   Clover petals, loops of the clover stem



6. **Padded satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 1, 2, 3, 4
   Fleece scallops



7. **French knot**
   1 strand, two wraps, color 4
   Eye highlights



8. **Turkey work**
   2 strands, colors 2, 3, 4
   Forelock



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

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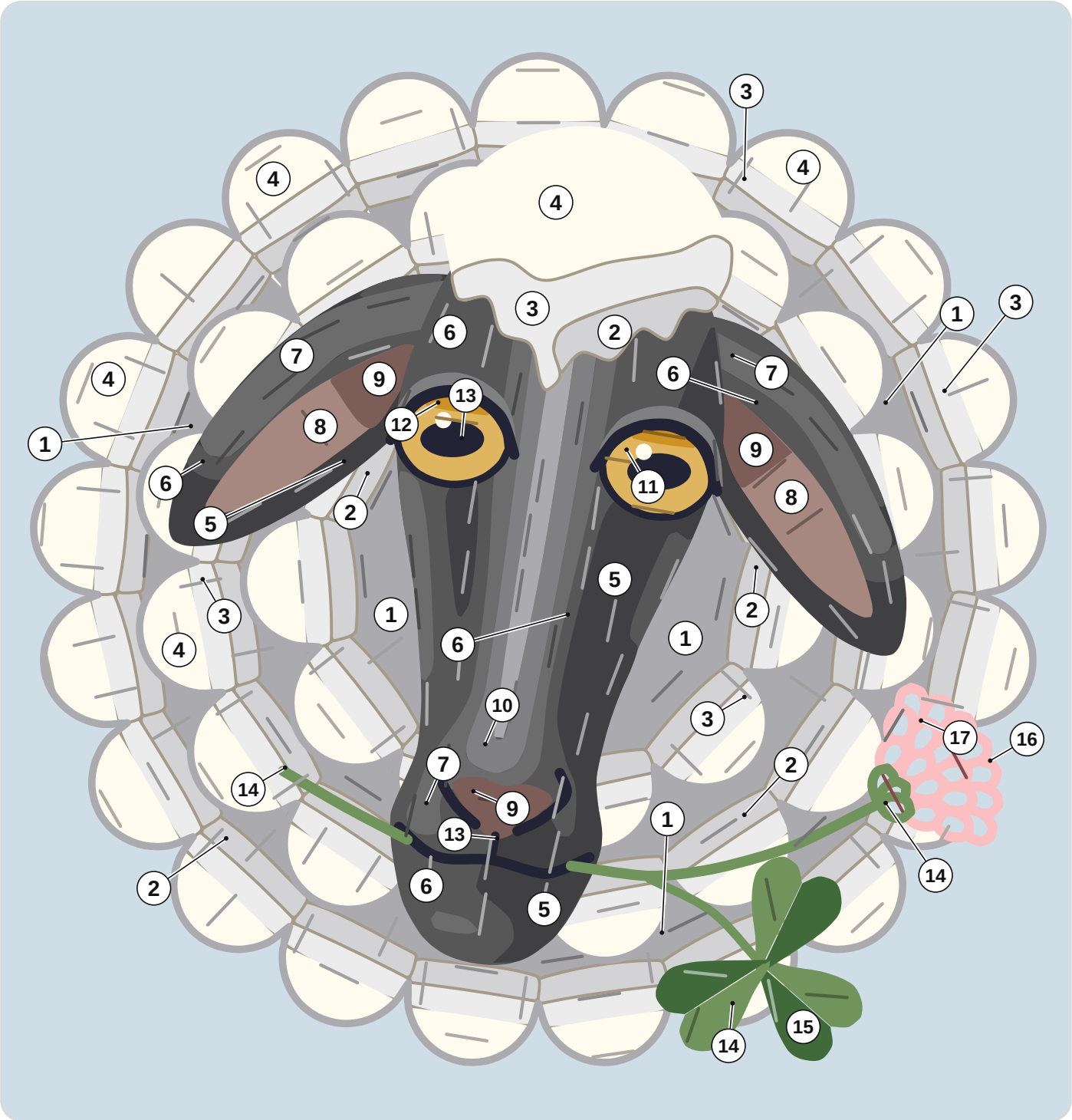
A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



1	DMC 318 Light Steel Gray	7	DMC 317 Pewter Gray	13	DMC 310 Black
2	DMC 415 Pearl Gray	8	DMC 3861 Light Cocoa	14	DMC 3347 Medium Yellow Green
3	DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray	9	DMC 3860 Cocoa	15	DMC 3346 Hunter Green
4	DMC 712 Cream	10	DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray	16	DMC 3687 Mauve
5	DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray	11	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	17	DMC 3689 Light Mauve
6	DMC 413 Dark Pewter Gray	12	DMC 783 Medium Topaz		

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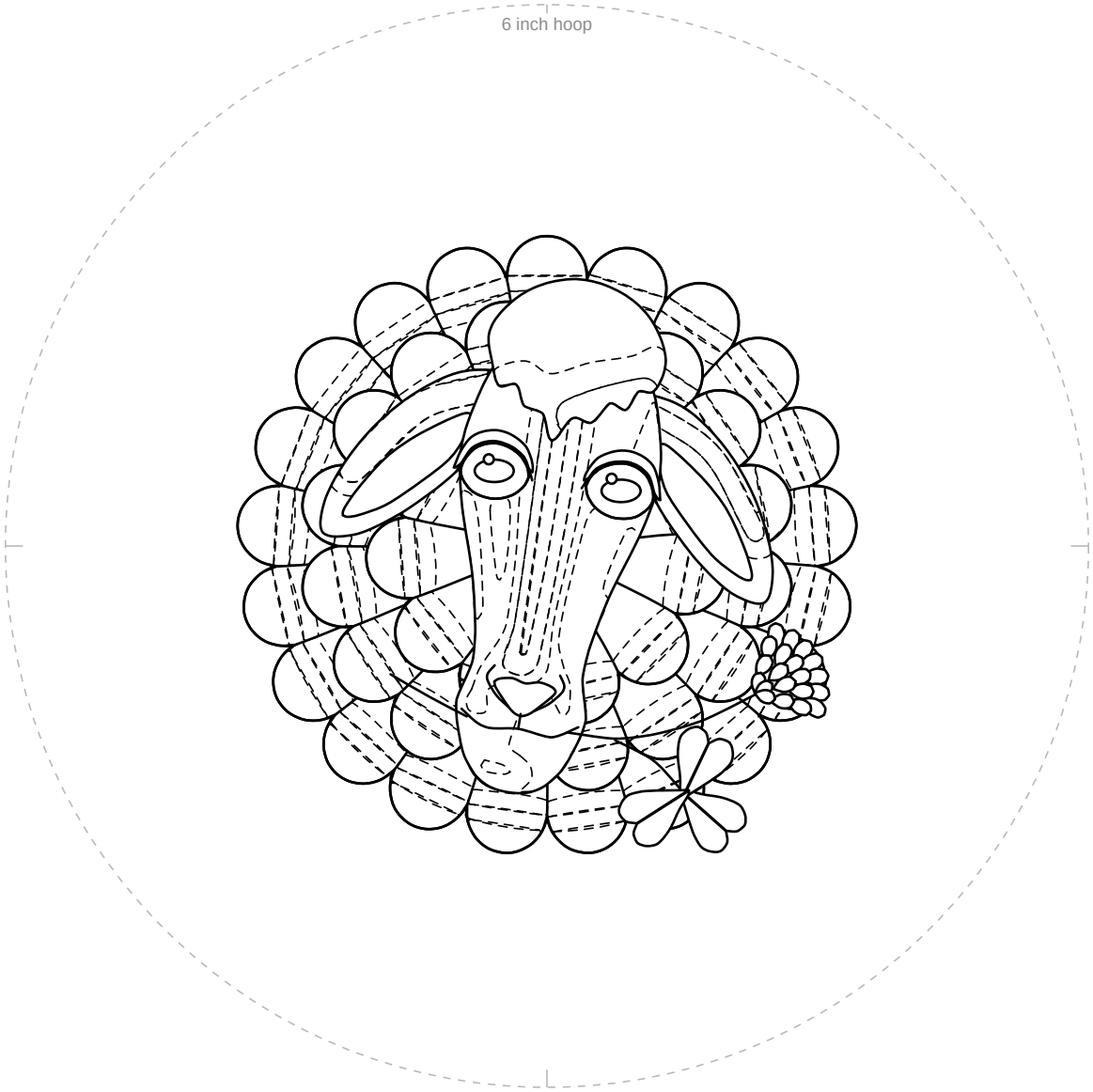
6 inch hoop

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.

On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot; a loop is one lazy daisy, begun at its point; a broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



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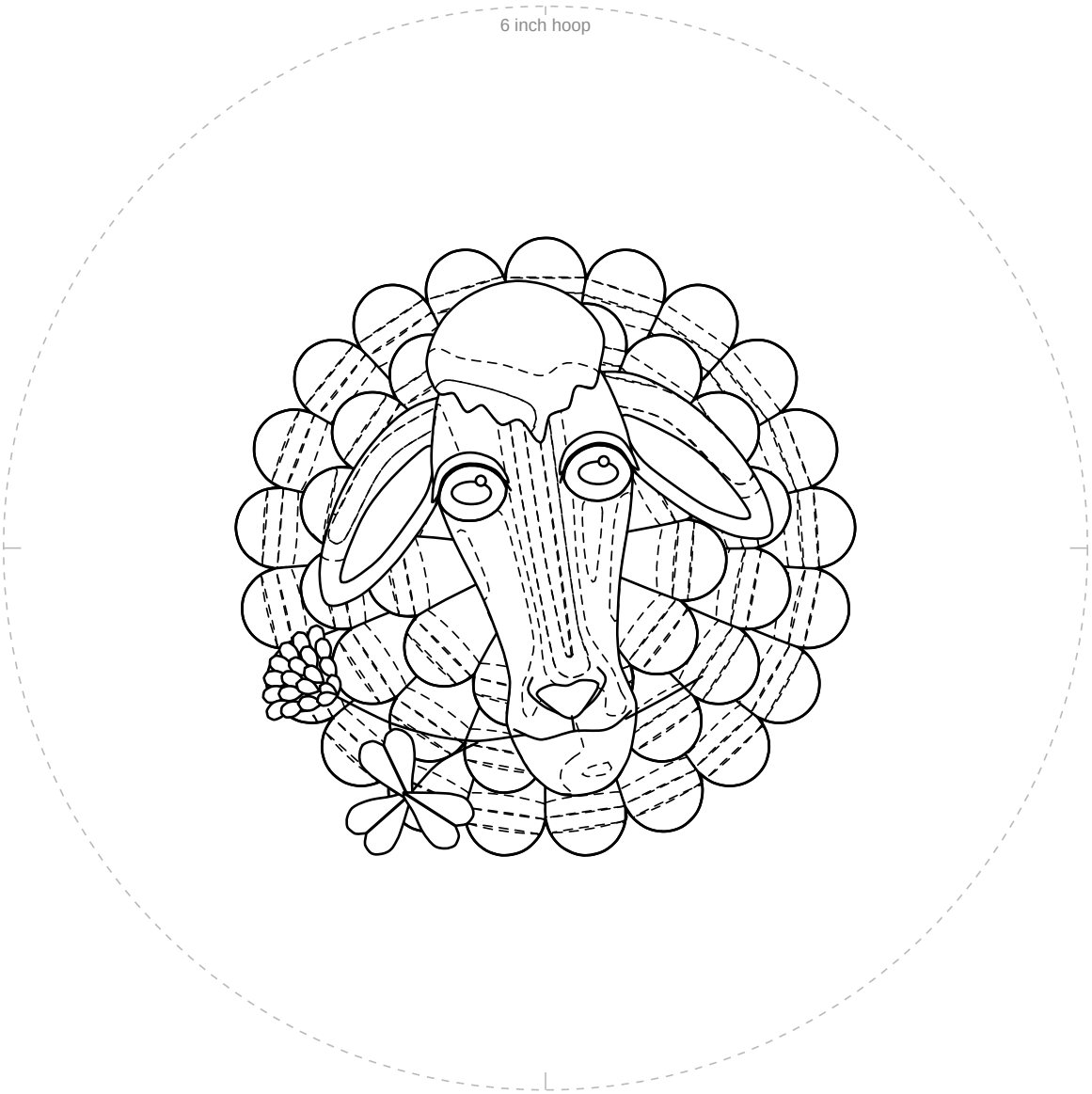
For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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