Shooting star

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.3 × 4.4 in (10.9 × 11.2 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 7.

12 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. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12
   Trail bands, little stars, twinkles, star rim, star band, star heart



2. **Chain stitch**
   colors 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11
   2 strands: band edges, star rows
   3 strands: star outline



Stitch in this order, continued

3. **Back stitch**
   2 strands, colors 2, 4, 6, 8, 10
   Edges of the little stars

4. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps, colors 2, 11
   Star knots, heart knots



Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop.

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



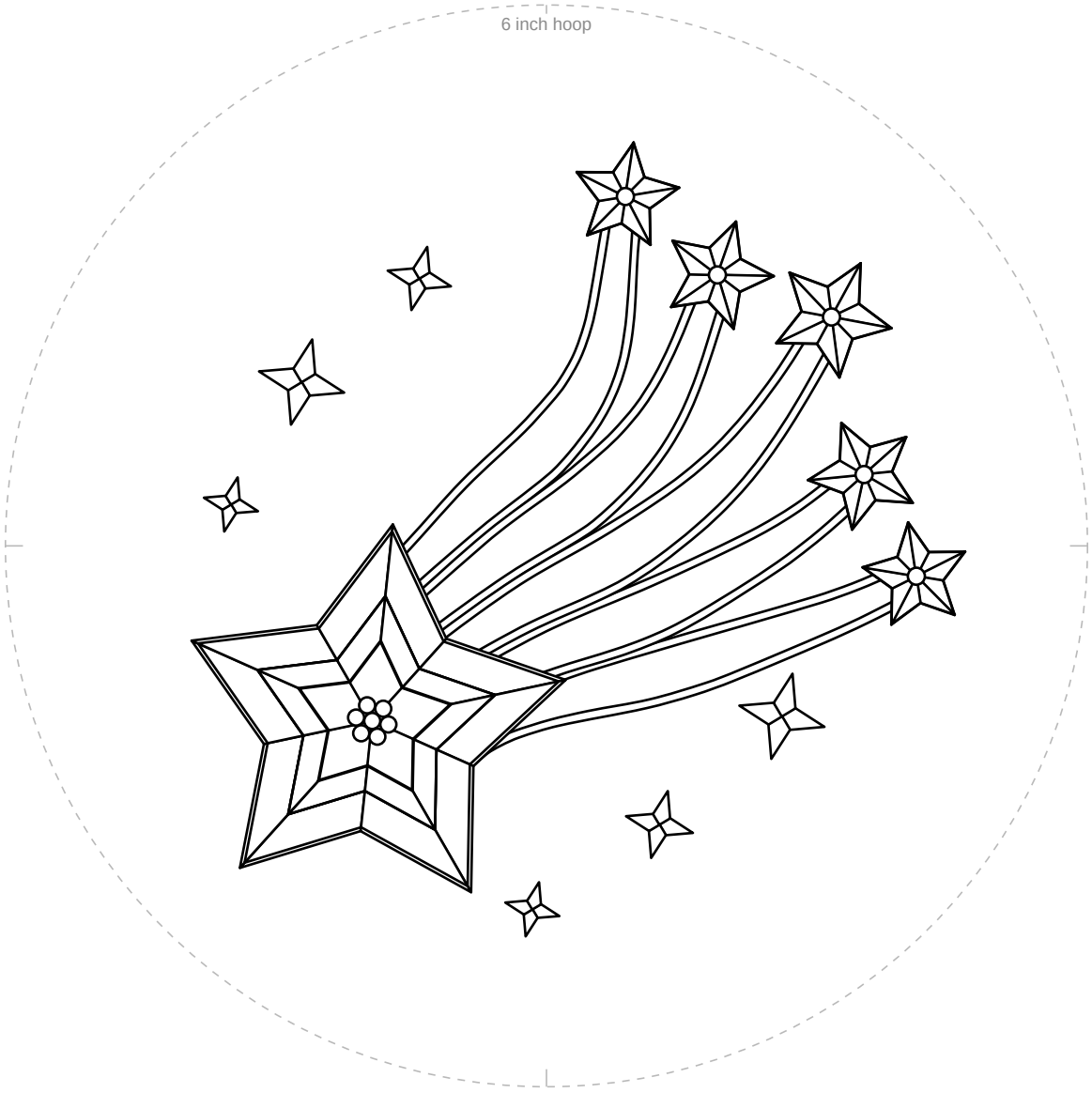
1	DMC 3810 Dark Turquoise	**5**	DMC 3733 Dusty Rose	**9**	DMC 3820 Dark Straw
2	DMC 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	**6**	DMC 3350 Ultra Dark Dusty Rose	**10**	DMC 782 Dark Topaz
3	DMC 921 Copper	**7**	DMC 741 Medium Tangerine	**11**	DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow
4	DMC 918 Dark Red Copper	**8**	DMC 946 Medium Burnt Orange	**12**	DMC 3822 Light Straw

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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 ring is one French knot: mark a dot.



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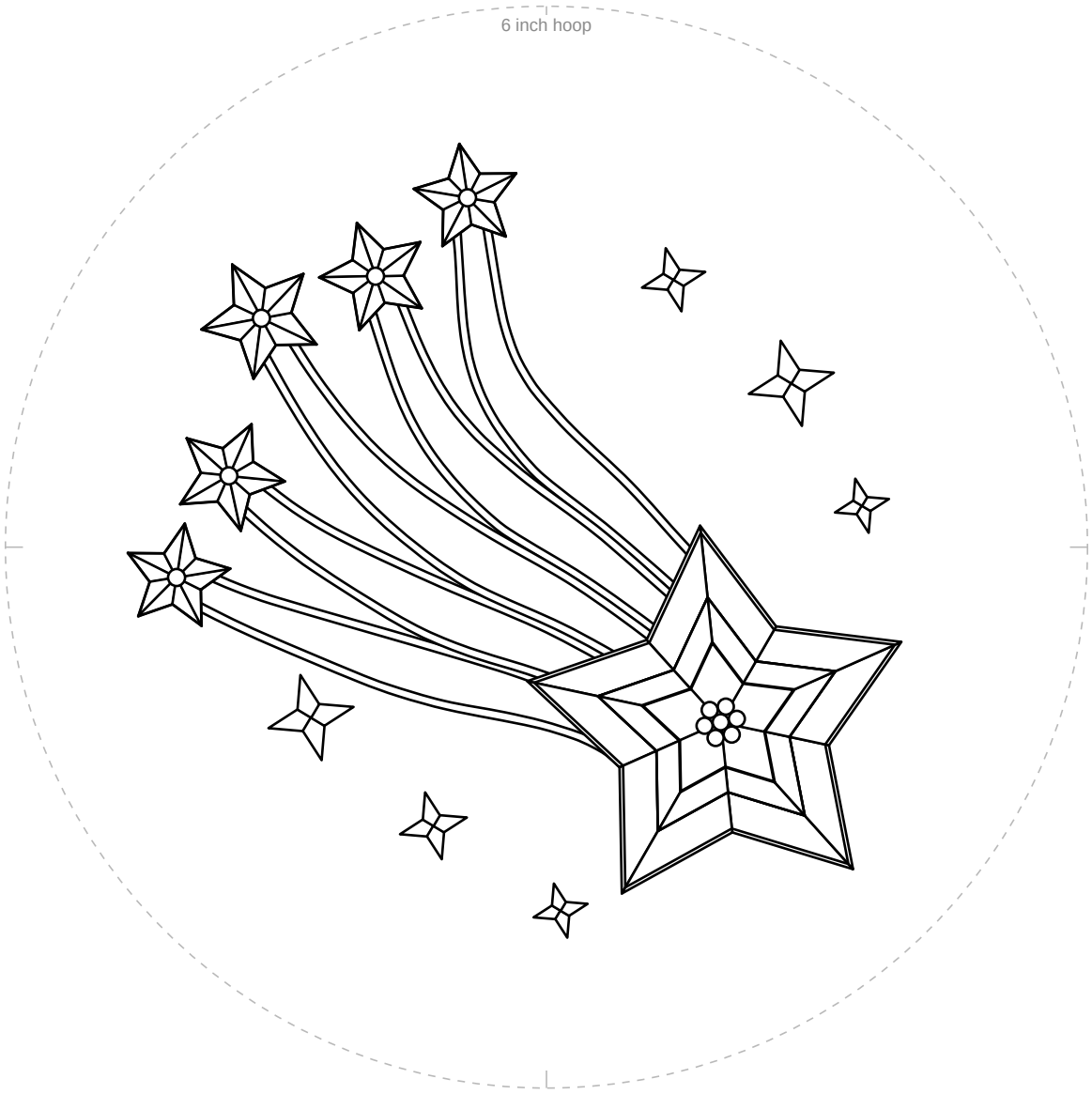
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