Small easy fall tree in the wind

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 3.6 × 3.1 in (9.1 × 7.9 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: sage green cotton or linen.

Floss

- **1 DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown**
  Trunk and boughs, twigs, ground line and grass
- **2 DMC 920 Medium Copper**
  Leaves and blown leaves (middle)
- **3 DMC 783 Medium Topaz**
  Leaves and blown leaves (light)
- **4 DMC 902 Very Dark Garnet**
  Leaves and blown leaves (dark)
- **5 DMC 3768 Dark Gray Green**
  Breeze

Stitch in this order

1. **Stem stitch**
   strands by part on page 2
   Trunk and boughs, twigs, ground line

2. **Straight stitch**
   strands by part on page 2
   Grass, leaves, blown leaves



3. **Running stitch**, 2 strands
   Breeze

4. **Lazy daisy stitch**, 4 strands
   Leaves, blown leaves



Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 3 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 3 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on: the lines stay**
   Go over the lines of page 4, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron, as the pen's packet says.

Pages 3 and 4 are the pattern at actual size. Print them at 100% with scaling turned off. Then put the fabric in the hoop: inner ring under, drawing up, tight as a drum.

What you need

Easy. A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, and a 9 inch (23 cm) square of plain cotton or linen, in sage green. Embroidery needle: size 7 for 2 or 3 strands, size 5 for 4 (a lower number is a thicker needle). Skeins: one of each color is enough. An estimate for the 6 inch hoop, from the length of each line and the area of each filled shape, with a fifth added for tails.

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6 inch hoop

How to read it

Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

Start each thread with a small knot on the back, and end it by running the needle under the backs of a few stitches.

Each small loop is one lazy daisy: come up at its point. A dashed line is running stitch.

A number on the picture is a color of the list of floss on page 1. The fine lines on the colors show which way the stitches lie.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches. The first time: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.



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How many strands

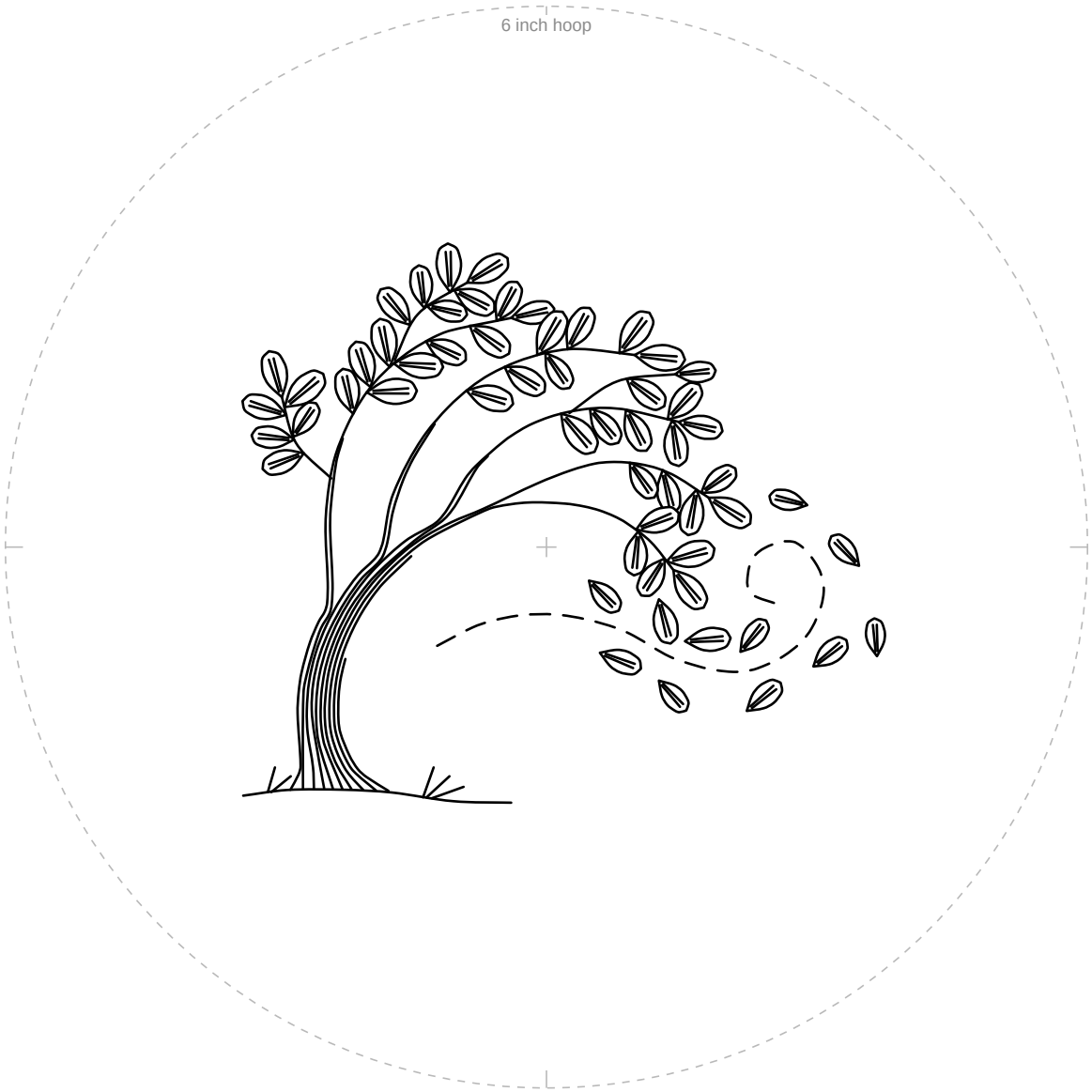
Stem stitch. 2 or 3 strands: trunk and boughs; 2 strands: twigs, ground line.
Straight stitch. 4 strands: leaves, blown leaves; 2 strands: grass.

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Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

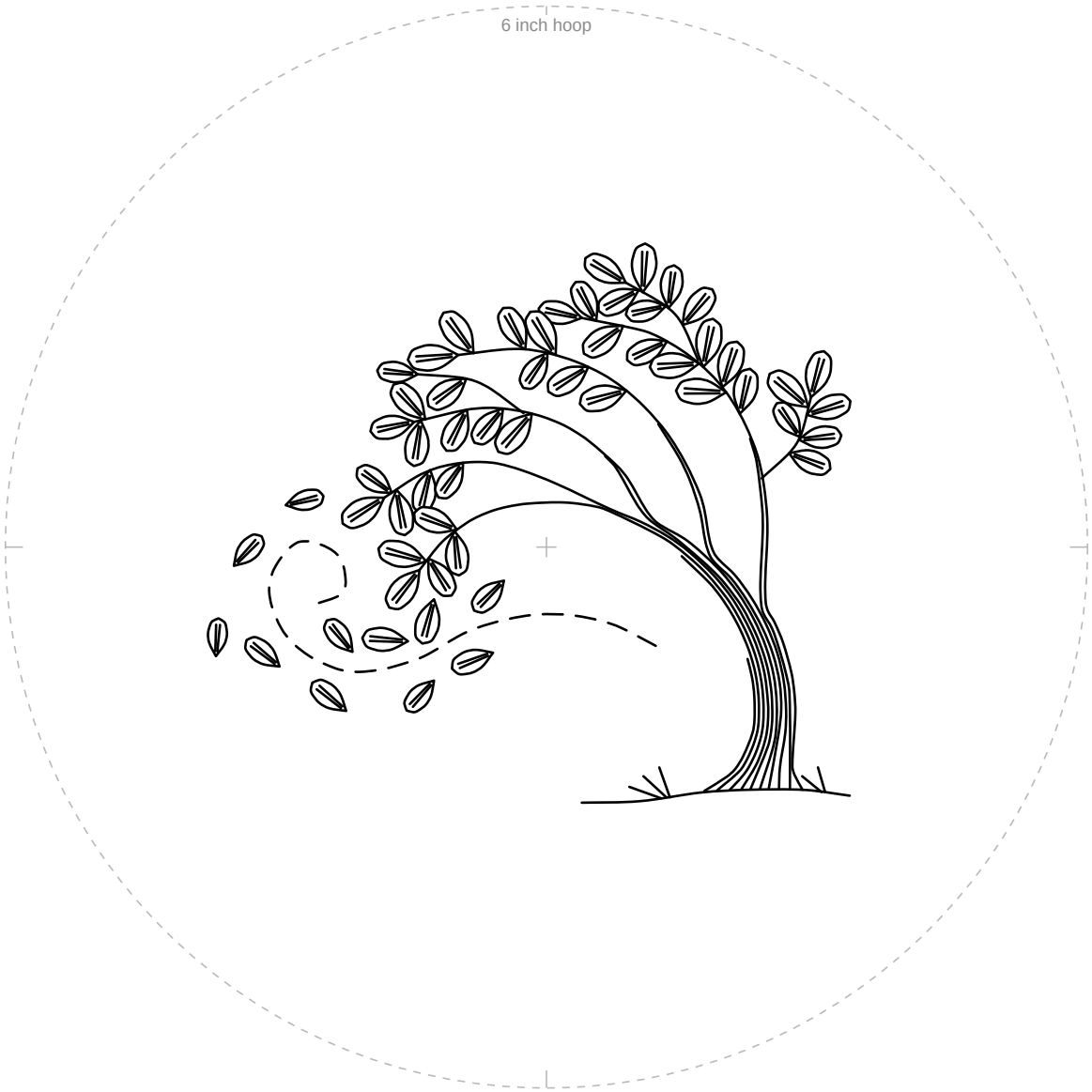
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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