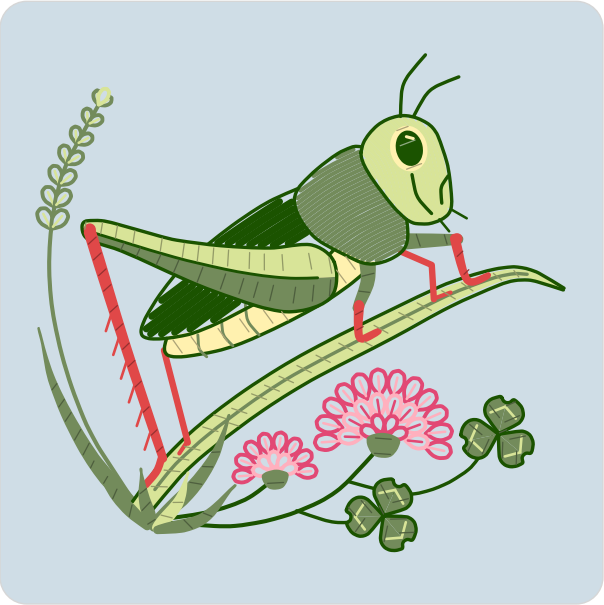
Easy grasshopper on a blade of grass

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.6 × 4.3 in (11.7 × 10.9 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: pale blue cotton or linen.

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.

Floss

- **1 DMC 988 Medium Forest Green**
  Saddle, clover leaves and grass blades, thigh and grass tuft (darker) and 6 more parts
- **2 DMC 472 Ultra Light Avocado Green**
  Long blade, head and leaf marks, thigh, seed head and grass tuft (lighter)
- **3 DMC 895 Very Dark Hunter Green**
  Blade edges, wing, clover leaf edges, clover stems and thigh outline and 10 more parts
- **4 DMC 602 Medium Cranberry**
  Clover blossoms (darker)
- **5 DMC 604 Light Cranberry**
  Clover blossoms (lighter)
- **6 DMC 350 Medium Coral**
  Red shins, far legs, shin spines and knees
- **7 DMC 727 Very Light Topaz**
  Belly and eye light, eye (lighter)

Stitch in this order

Filled parts from the back of the picture forward, then lines, loops and knots.

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Grass blades, clover leaves, flower cups, long blade, far legs, belly, green legs, red shins, eye, thigh, grass tuft
2. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Seed head stem, clover stems, clover leaf edges, blade vein, blade edges, far legs, body outline, wing outline, saddle, saddle outline, and 6 more
3. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Seed head, leaf marks, clover blossoms, mouth feelers, eye light, shin spines
4. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Belly bands, thigh line
5. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Wing
6. **Lazy daisy stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Seed head, clover blossoms
7. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Knees

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6 inch hoop

How to read it

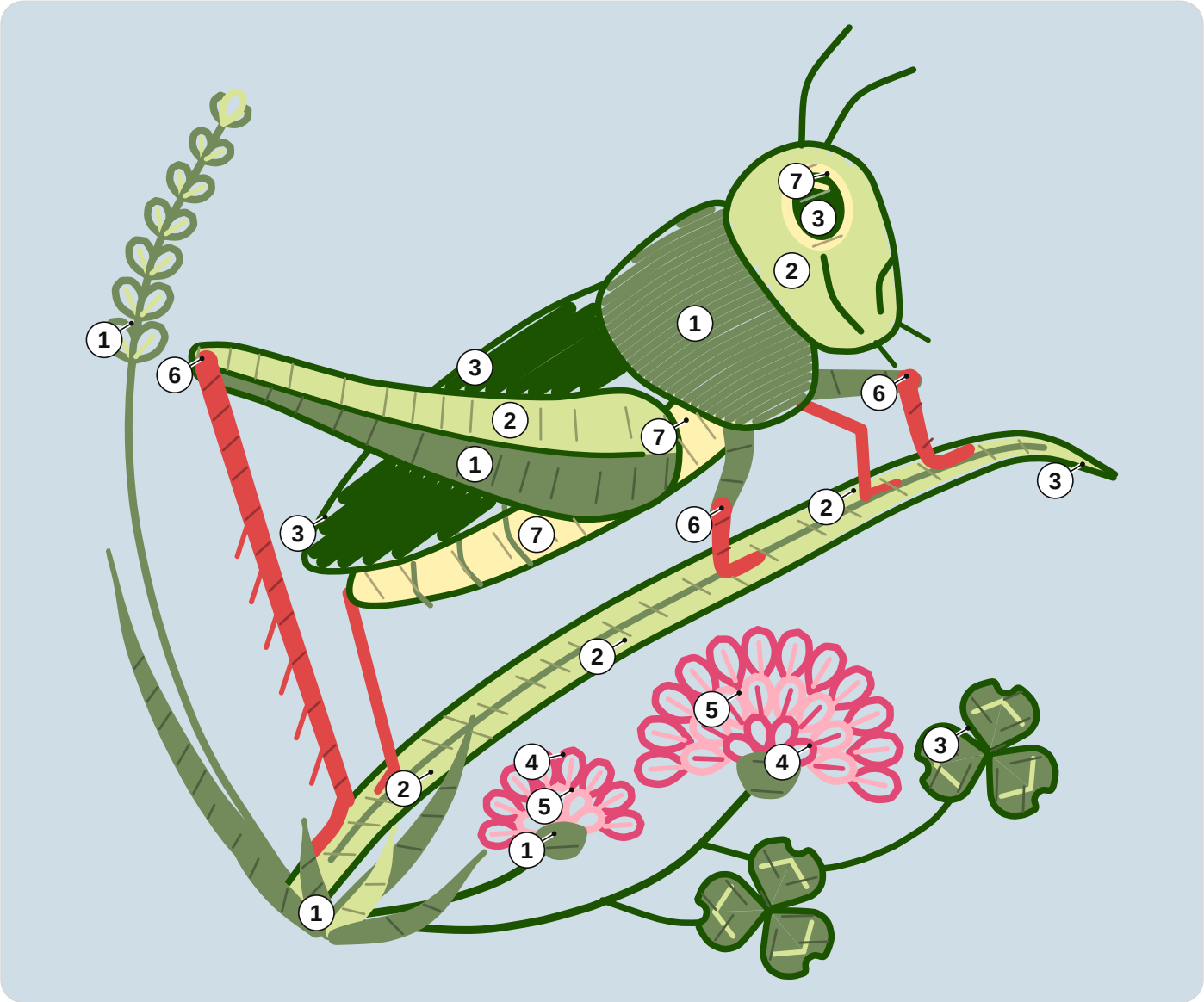
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

Inside a filled shape start with two or three tiny stitches, which the filling covers. Start a line with a small knot on the back. End each thread by running the needle under the backs of a few stitches.

Each small ring is one French knot. Each small loop is one lazy daisy: come up at its point.

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

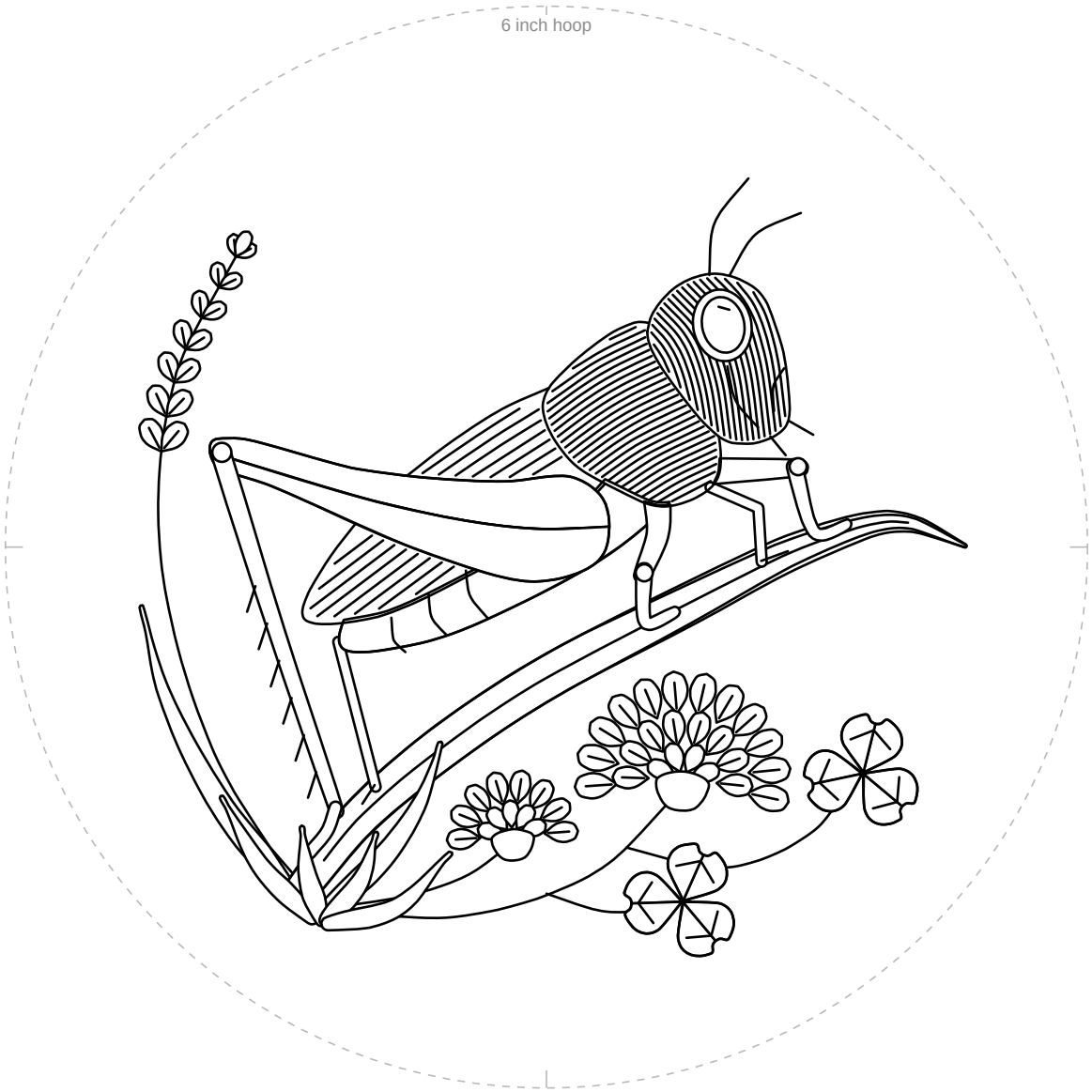
Stem stitch. 3 strands: seed head stem, far legs, saddle, head; 2 or 3 strands: clover stems; 2 strands: clover leaf edges, blade vein, blade edges, body outline, wing outline, saddle outline, head outline, cheek line, mouth, antennae, thigh outline.
Straight stitch. 4 strands: eye light; 3 strands: leaf marks, shin spines; 2 strands: clover blossoms, mouth feelers; 1 strand: seed head.
Lazy daisy stitch. 3 strands: clover blossoms; 2 strands: seed head.

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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.



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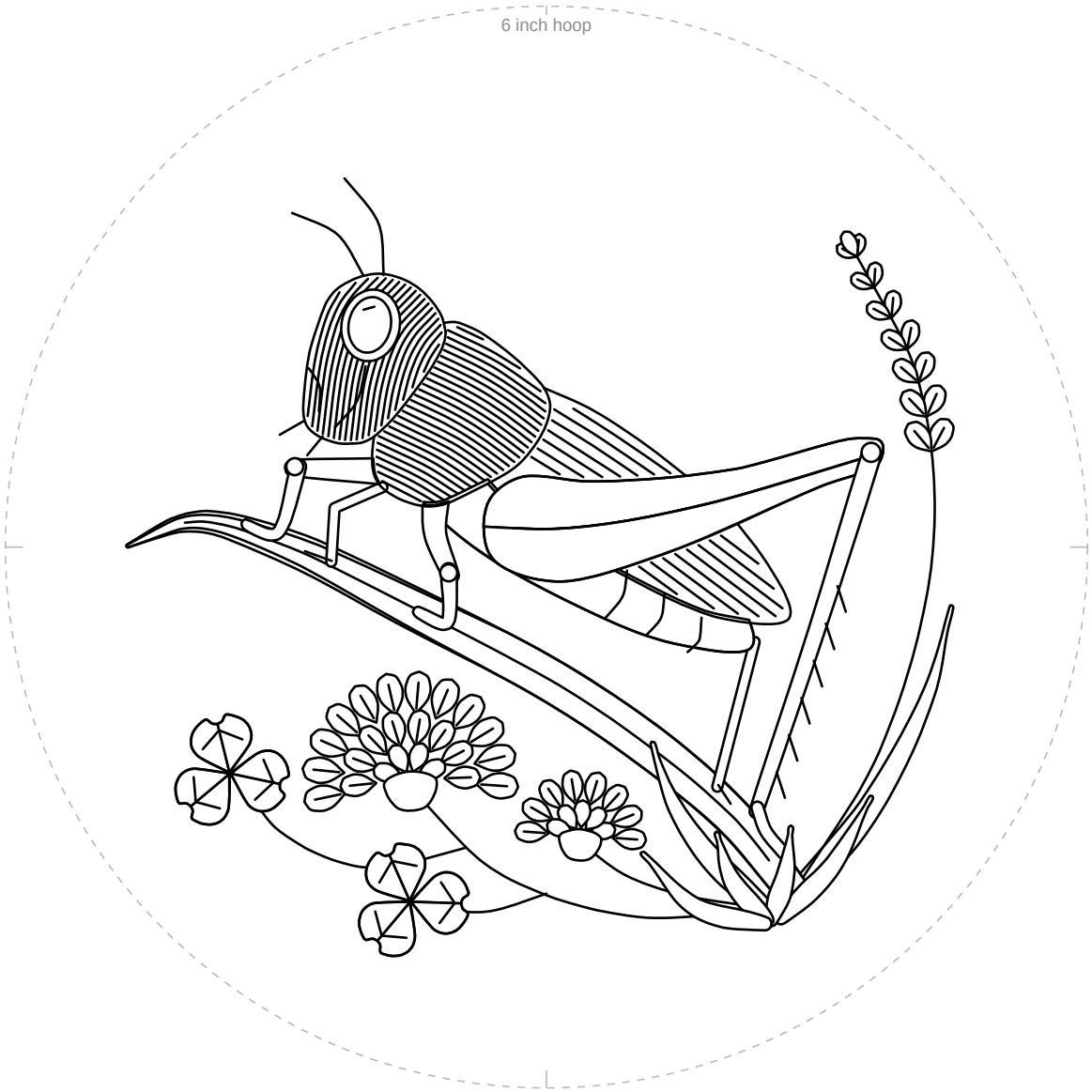
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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