Small hem tag motif

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.3 × 3.1 in (10.9 × 7.9 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Whipped back stitch**, 3 strands
   Thread
2. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves
3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Back petals, petals (color 5), button, needle
4. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Petals (color 6)
5. **Blanket stitch**, 3 strands
   Label edge
6. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Button thread
7. **Stem stitch**, 1 strand
   Button rim, needle edge
8. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Button

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

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.

The back is seen: no knots. Start with tiny stitches; end around the backs of four or five stitches.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches.

New to this: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.

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.

Buy: 13 colors of floss (page 2), one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), an embroidery needle size 9, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen, a water-soluble pen.

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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 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	**6**	DMC 351 Coral	**11**	DMC 415 Pearl Gray
2	DMC 3364 Pine Green	**7**	DMC 352 Light Coral	**12**	DMC 413 Dark Pewter Gray
3	DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green	**8**	DMC 783 Medium Topaz	**13**	DMC 318 Light Steel Gray
4	DMC 349 Dark Coral	**9**	DMC 3822 Light Straw		
5	DMC 347 Very Dark Salmon	**10**	DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz		

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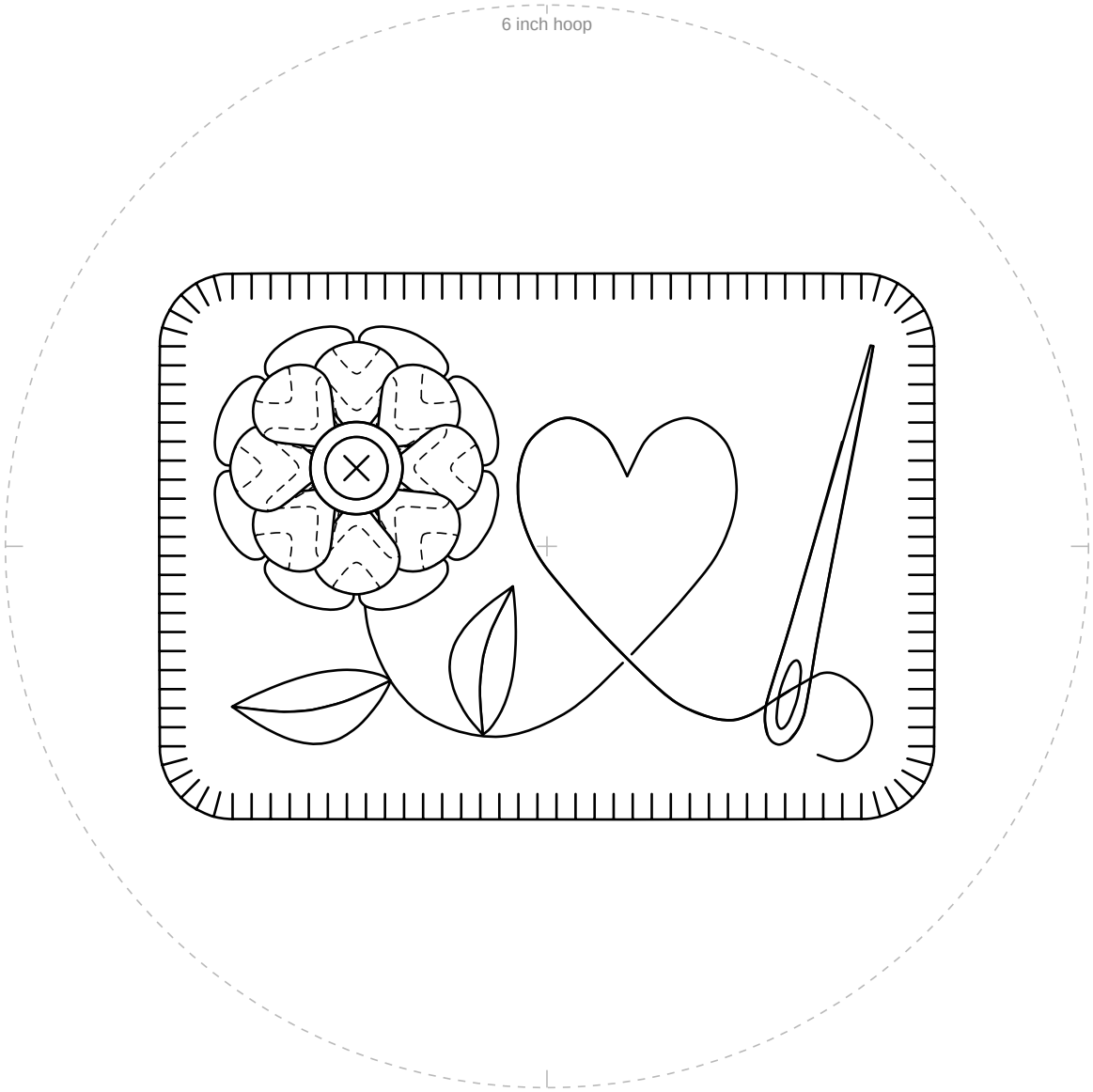
Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



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Not 1 inch (25.4 mm)? Print again at 100%.

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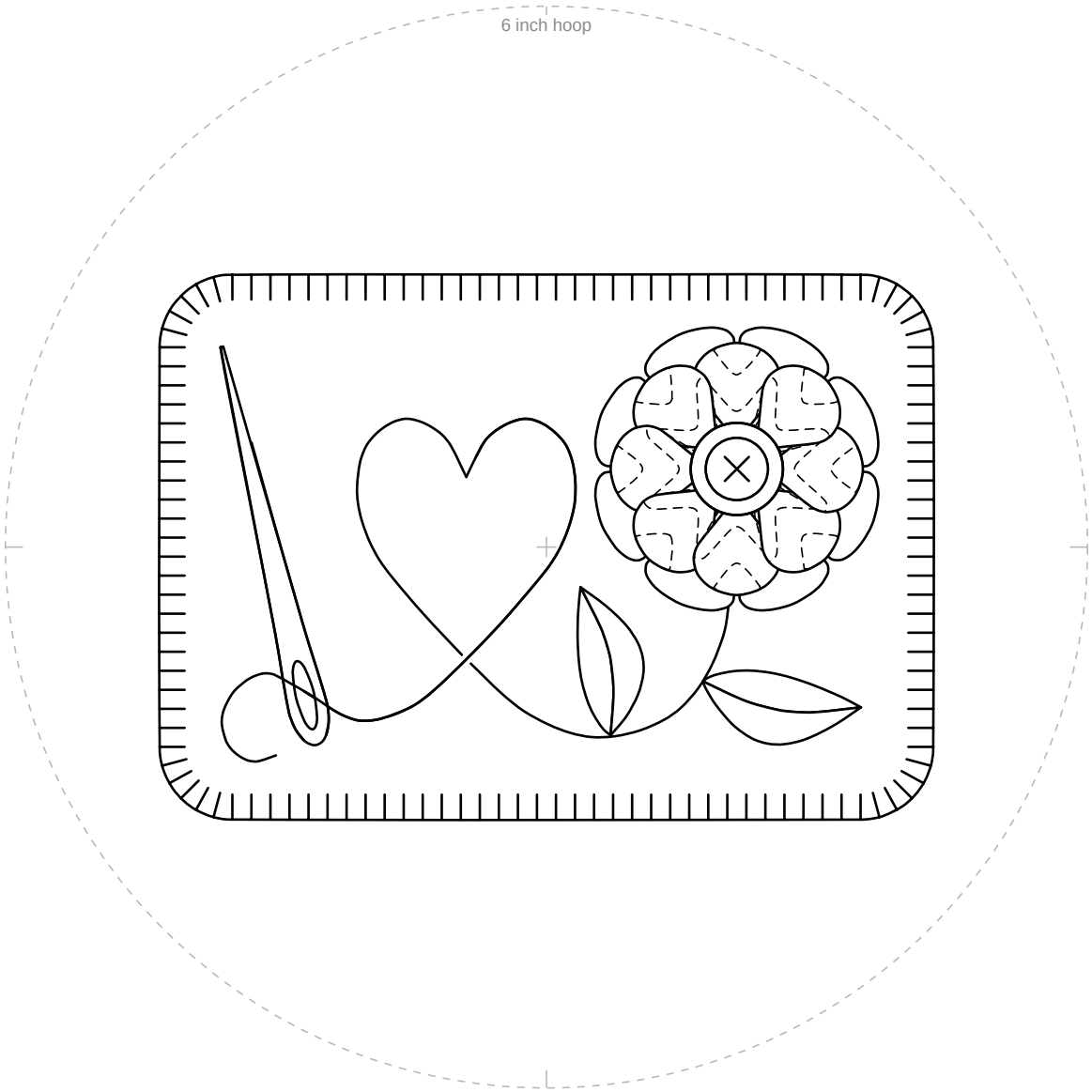
For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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