Small taco moon for a keychain

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.9 × 4.9 in (12.4 × 12.4 cm).



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

Three ways onto dark fabric

1. **Light shines through it**
   Lay page 3 on a bright light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a white marking pencil or pen.
2. **No light shines through**
   Print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, smooth it onto fabric that can be washed, stitch through both and rinse it away.
3. **White or yellow carbon paper**
   Lay it colored side down on the fabric with page 3 on top, tape the layers and trace firmly with a ballpoint pen. Go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Page 3 is the pattern at actual size (page 4 is its mirror, for an iron-on pen on a light fabric). Print it 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 435 Very Light Brown**
  Back shell, shell edge and toast spots, front shell (darkest)
- **2 DMC 3345 Dark Hunter Green**
  Lettuce (darker)
- **3 DMC 703 Chartreuse**
  Lettuce (lighter), frill edge and frill folds
- **4 DMC 725 Medium Light Topaz** Cheese
- **5 DMC 321 Red** Tomatoes
- **6 DMC 3705 Dark Melon** Tomato seeds
- **7 DMC 3819 Light Moss Green** Lettuce frill
- **8 DMC 3822 Light Straw**
  Front shell (middle), ring, star in the horns (darker)
- **9 DMC 3827 Pale Golden Brown**
  Front shell (dark)
- **10 DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow** Front shell (light)
- **11 DMC 746 Off White**
  Star in the horns (lighter), front shell (lightest)
- **12 DMC 898 Very Dark Coffee Brown**
  Sleeping eyes, smile and lashes
- **13 DMC 352 Light Coral** Cheeks
- **14 DMC 3747 Very Light Blue Violet**
  Small stars and far stars

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Back shell, lettuce, cheese, tomatoes, tomato seeds, lettuce frill, sleeping eyes, cheeks, smile, toast spots, star in the horns, ring
2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Front shell
3. **Stem stitch**, 2 to 3 strands
   Shell edge
4. **Split stitch**, 2 strands
   Frill edge
5. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Frill folds, lashes, small stars
6. **French knot**, 2 strands, two wraps
   Far stars

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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. A fine broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.

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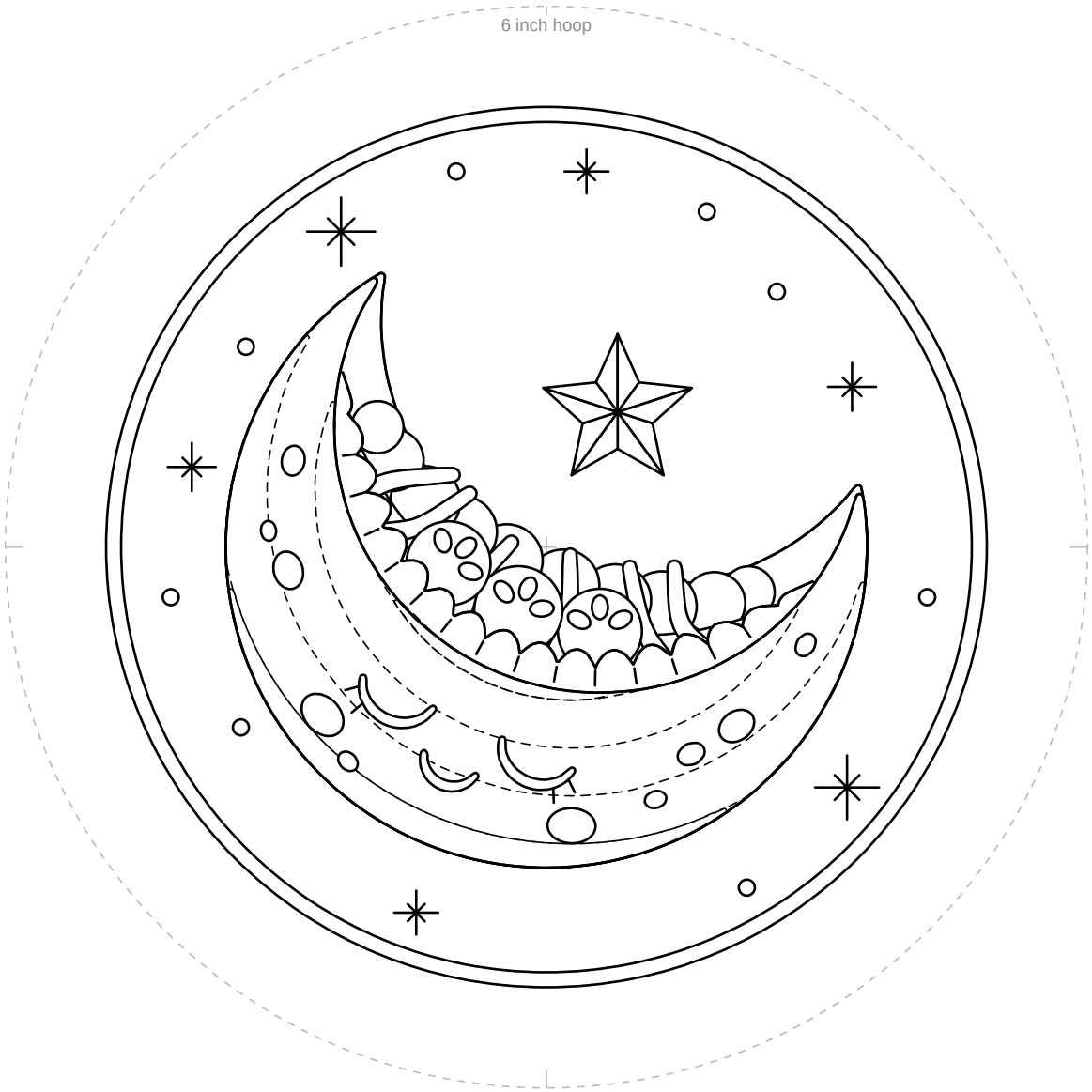
Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

Check square: 1 inch (25.4 mm) on each side.
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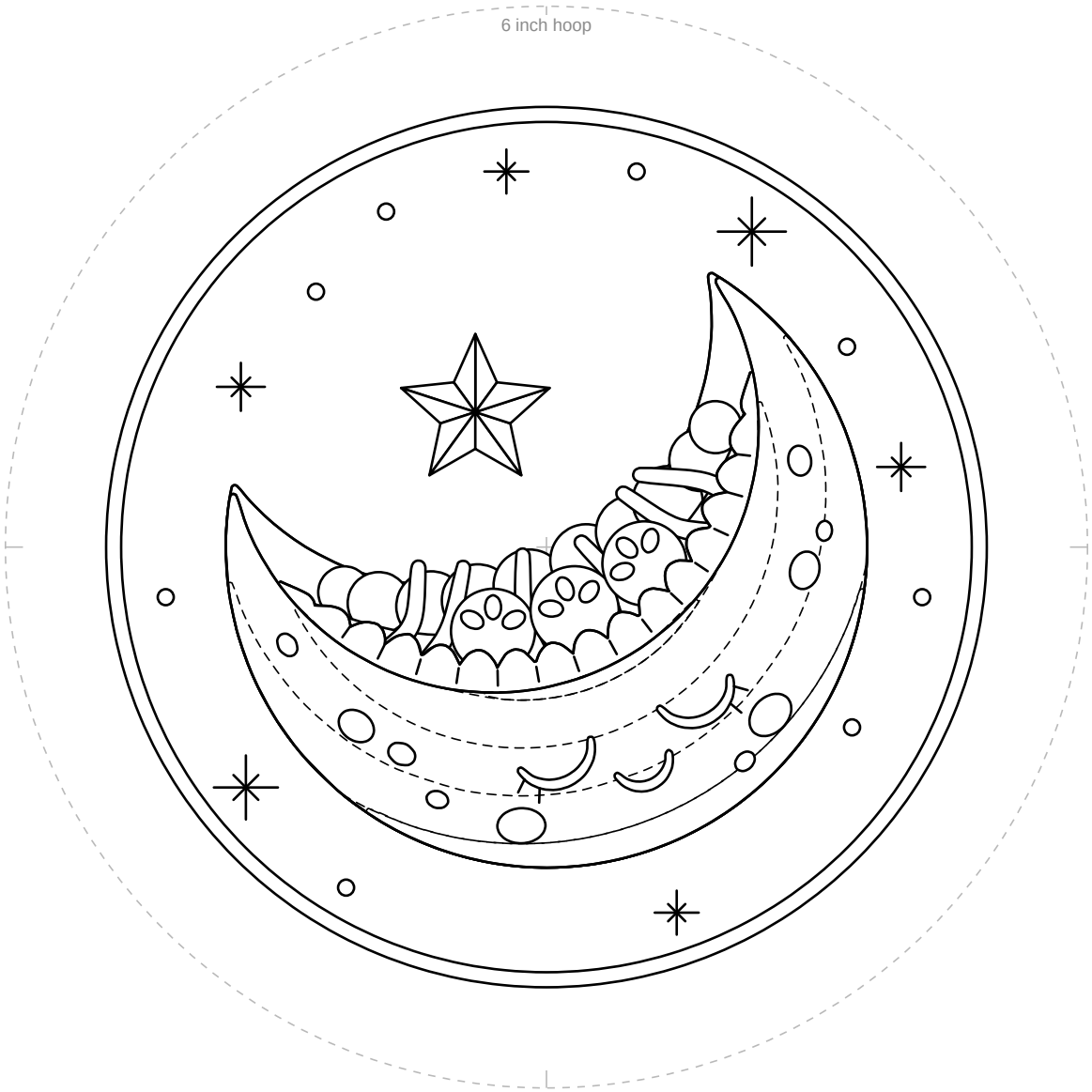
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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