Snow globe with a fir tree

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.5 × 4.6 in (11.4 × 11.7 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: pale blue cotton or linen.

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.

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: 22 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 pale blue cotton or linen, a water-soluble pen.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**
   3 strands: glass, lines of the flower stems
   1 strand: fir sprigs (color 7)

2. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Fir sprigs



3. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Distant firs, snow drift, fir trunk, fir boughs, cardinal (color 17), walnut base, carved base, hellebore leaves, pinecones (color 16), hellebore petals, hellebore buds



4. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands: snow on the distant firs, snow on the boughs, cardinal (color 15), cardinal wing, cardinal face, beak, glass highlight, flower stems
   1 strand: pinecones (color 16)



5. **Stem stitch**
   3 strands: perch
   1 strand: lines of the hellebore leaves

6. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Lines of the pinecones

7. **Straight stitch**
   2 strands: perch needles, cardinal feet
   1 strand: stamens



8. **French knot**, two wraps
   1 strand: cardinal eye, stamen tips
   2 strands: falling snow, hellebore centers



Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop or sew a pillow.

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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 3768 Dark Gray Green	9	DMC 437 Light Tan	17	DMC 321 Red
2	DMC BLANC White	10	DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green	18	DMC 3820 Dark Straw
3	DMC 341 Light Blue Violet	11	DMC 501 Dark Blue Green	19	DMC 926 Medium Gray Green
4	DMC 3747 Very Light Blue Violet	12	DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green	20	DMC 712 Cream
5	DMC 3756 Ultra Very Light Baby Blue	13	DMC 3364 Pine Green	21	DMC 3013 Light Khaki Green
6	DMC 435 Very Light Brown	14	DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green	22	DMC 3047 Light Yellow Beige
7	DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown	15	DMC 498 Dark Red		
8	DMC 433 Medium Brown	16	DMC 3371 Black Brown		

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



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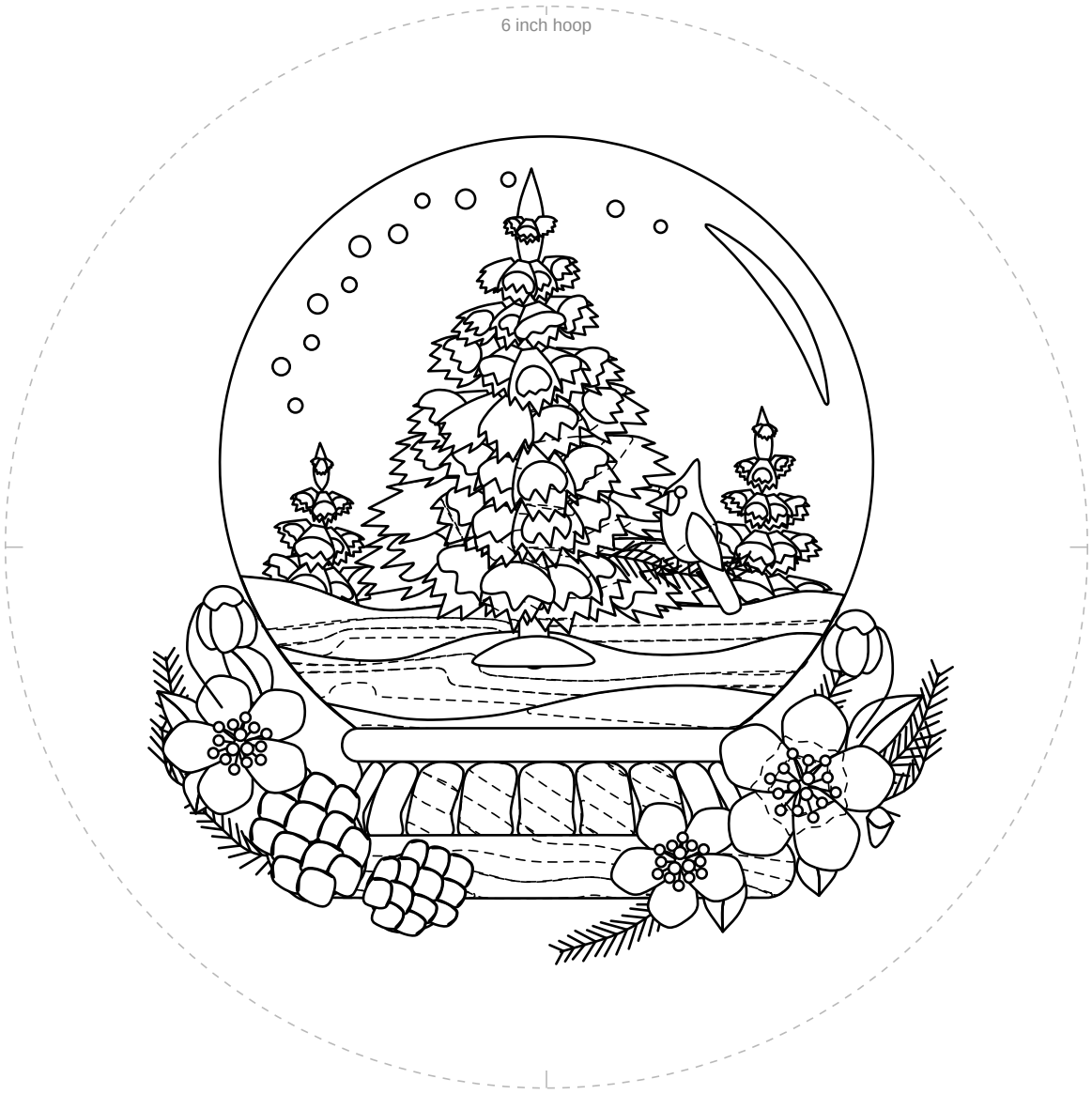
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