Snowflake with branches of leaves

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4 × 4.6 in (10.2 × 11.7 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 7.

5 colors of floss (page 2): one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes).

A water-soluble pen, and small scissors.

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.

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.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Fishbone stitch**
   2 strands, color 2
   Branches of leaves, star of leaves



2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands, colors 3, 4
   Points on the long arms (each tip three small points worked one by one, the middle one in two halves that meet down its middle), diamonds on the short arms (each in two halves that meet down its middle, each half slanted to the seam), points on the short arms (each tip three small points worked one by one, the middle one in two halves that meet down its middle)



3. **Stem stitch**
   2 or 3 strands, color 1
   Long arms, short arms

4. **Woven wheel stitch**
   2 strands, color 5
   Snowflake center

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

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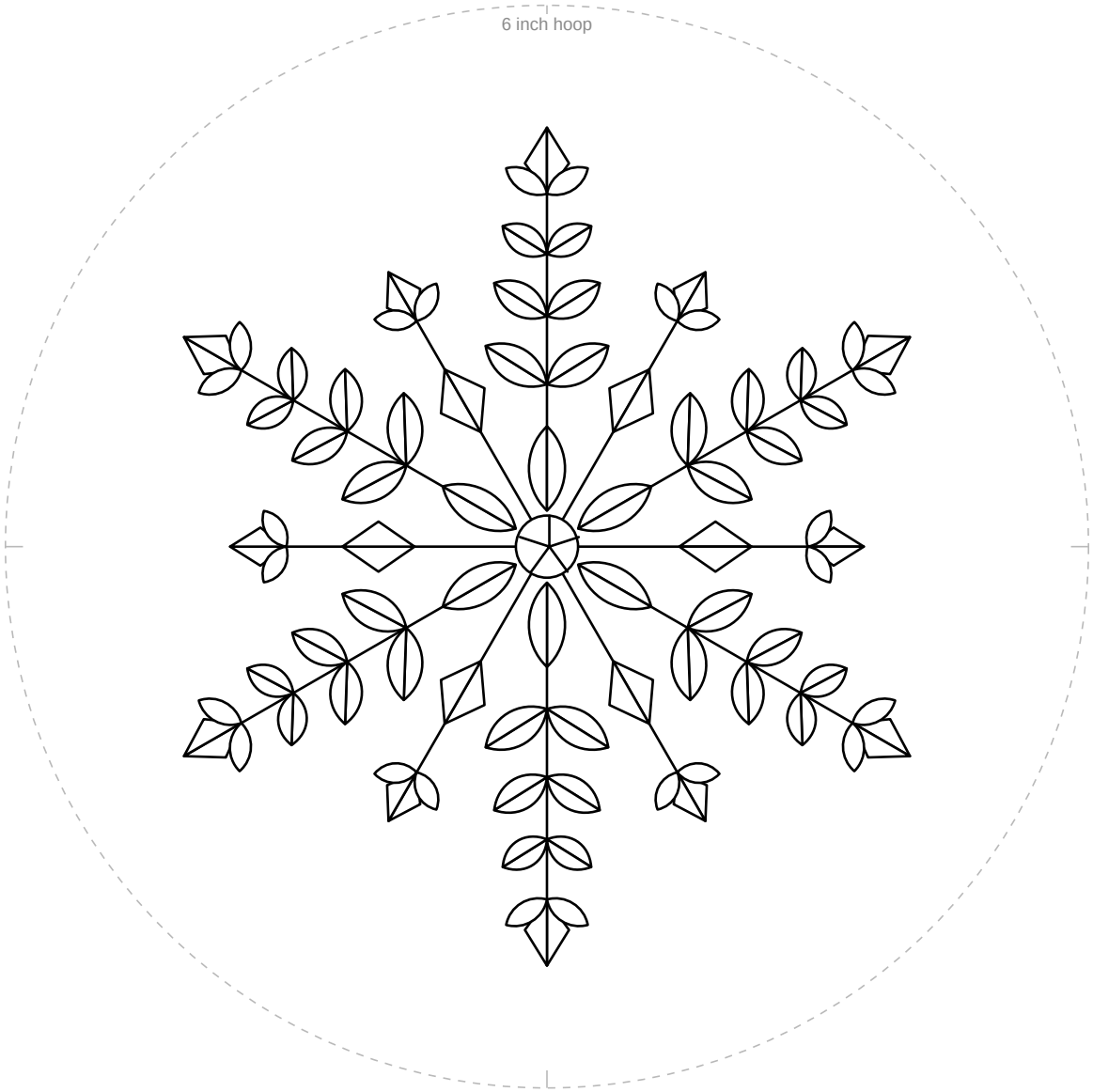
1 DMC 336 Navy Blue
2 DMC 322 Dark Baby Blue
3 DMC 3809 Very Dark Turquoise
4 DMC 304 Medium Red
5 DMC 3852 Very Dark Straw

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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.



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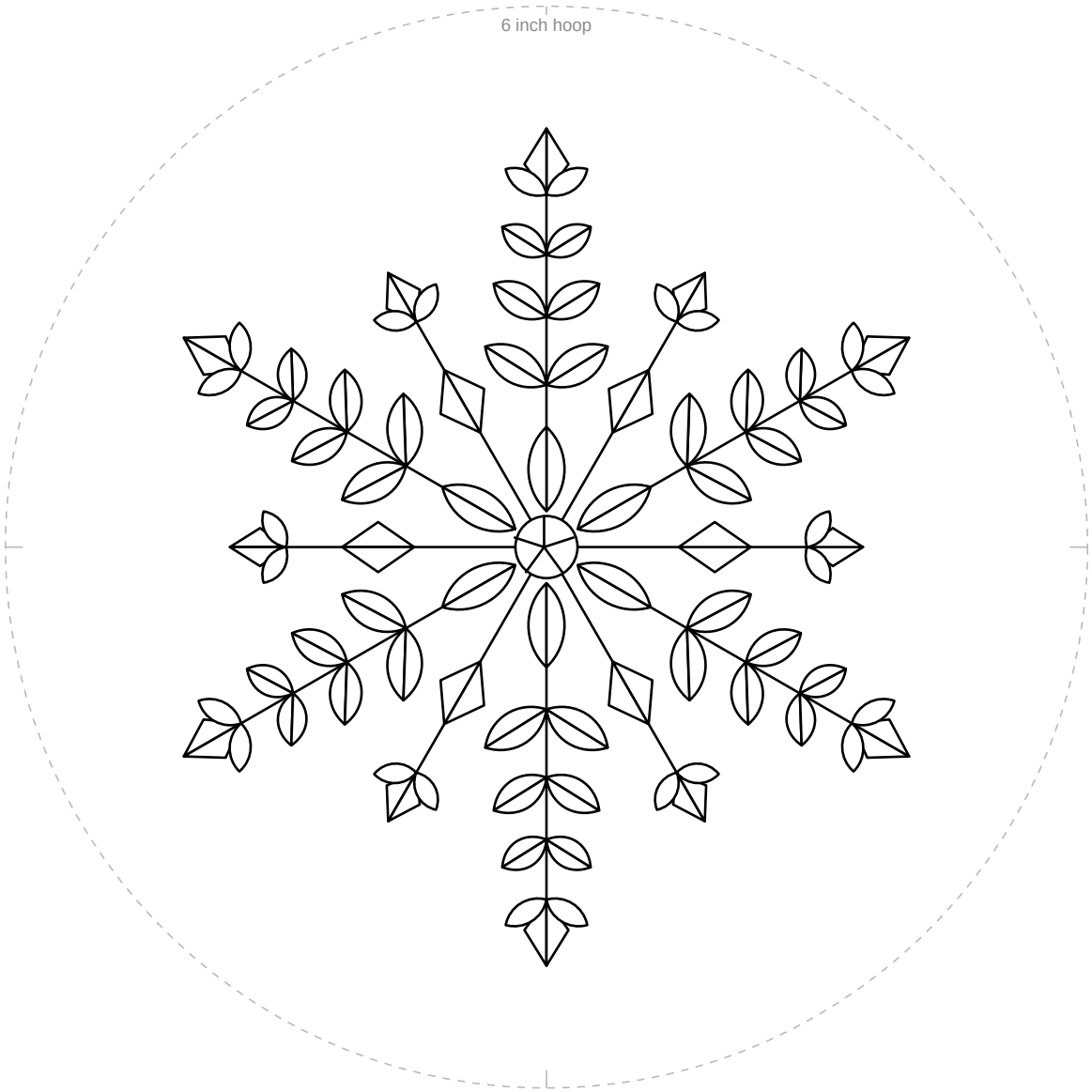
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For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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