# Christmas bauble with a snowflake

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.4 × 4.2 in (11.2 × 10.7 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 9.

23 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. **Straight stitch**, 3 strands
   Fir needles



2. **Stem stitch**
   2 strands: twigs
   3 strands: gold cord



3. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Bough, glass ball, tail, breast and belly, back, wing, cheek, black cap, black bib



4. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Cone, cone scales, snowflake rays, snowflake, snowflake center, highlight, cap, cap rim, beak, eye ring, eye



5. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Feather edges



6. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Eye highlight



7. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Hanging ring, legs, feet



8. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Snowflake tips



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 500 Very Dark Blue Green | 9 | DMC 3820 Dark Straw | 17 | DMC 761 Light Salmon |
| 2 | DMC 3345 Dark Hunter Green | 10 | DMC 815 Medium Garnet | 18 | DMC 415 Pearl Gray |
| 3 | DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green | 11 | DMC 814 Dark Garnet | 19 | DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray |
| 4 | DMC 3364 Pine Green | 12 | DMC 321 Red | 20 | DMC 317 Pewter Gray |
| 5 | DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown | 13 | DMC 666 Bright Red | 21 | DMC 318 Light Steel Gray |
| 6 | DMC 3371 Black Brown | 14 | DMC 3705 Dark Melon | 22 | DMC 739 Ultra Very Light Tan |
| 7 | DMC 434 Light Brown | 15 | DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray | 23 | DMC 310 Black |
| 8 | DMC 437 Light Tan | 16 | DMC 3865 Winter White | | |



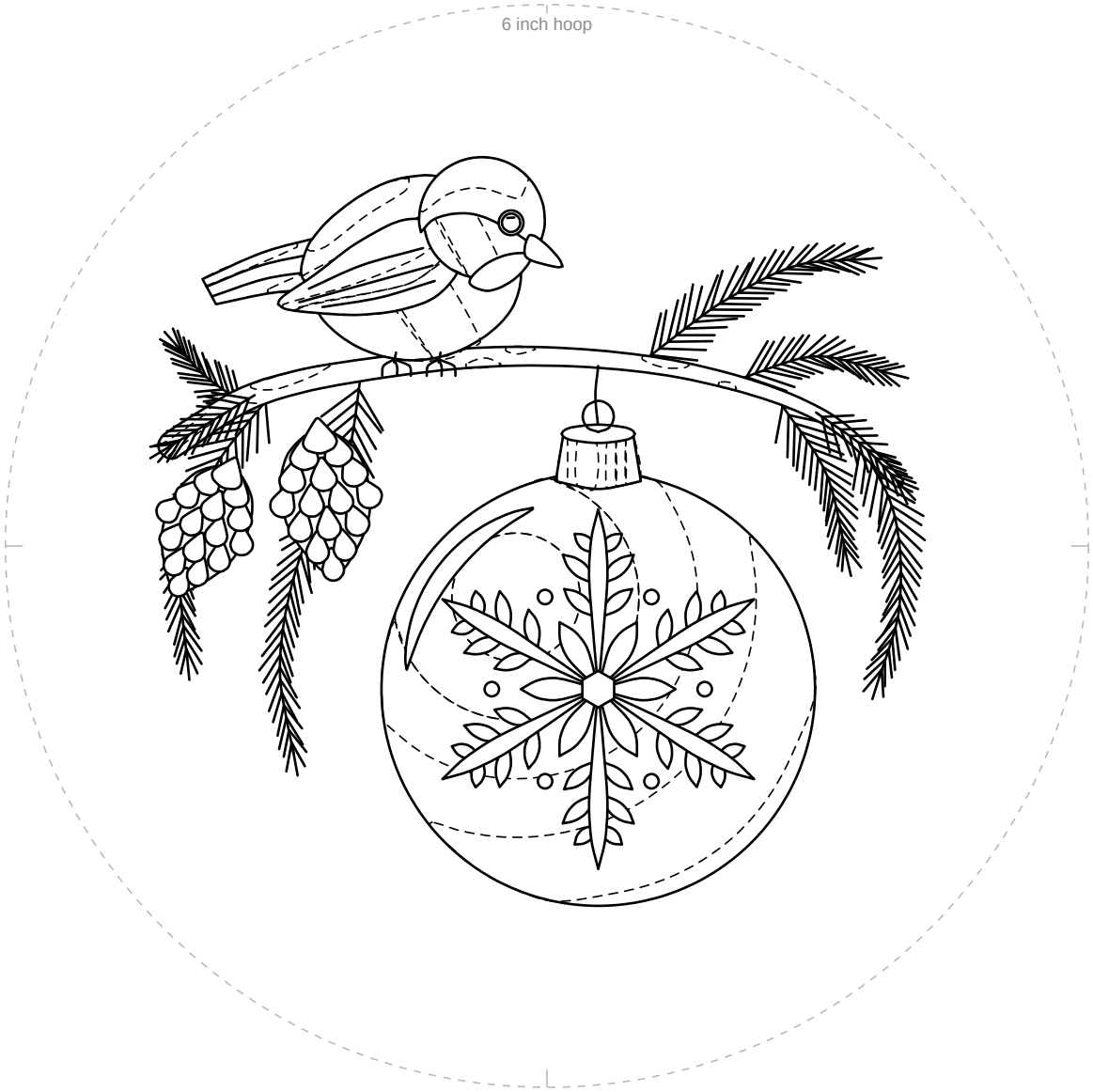
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Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

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.




**1 in**
25.4 mm

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

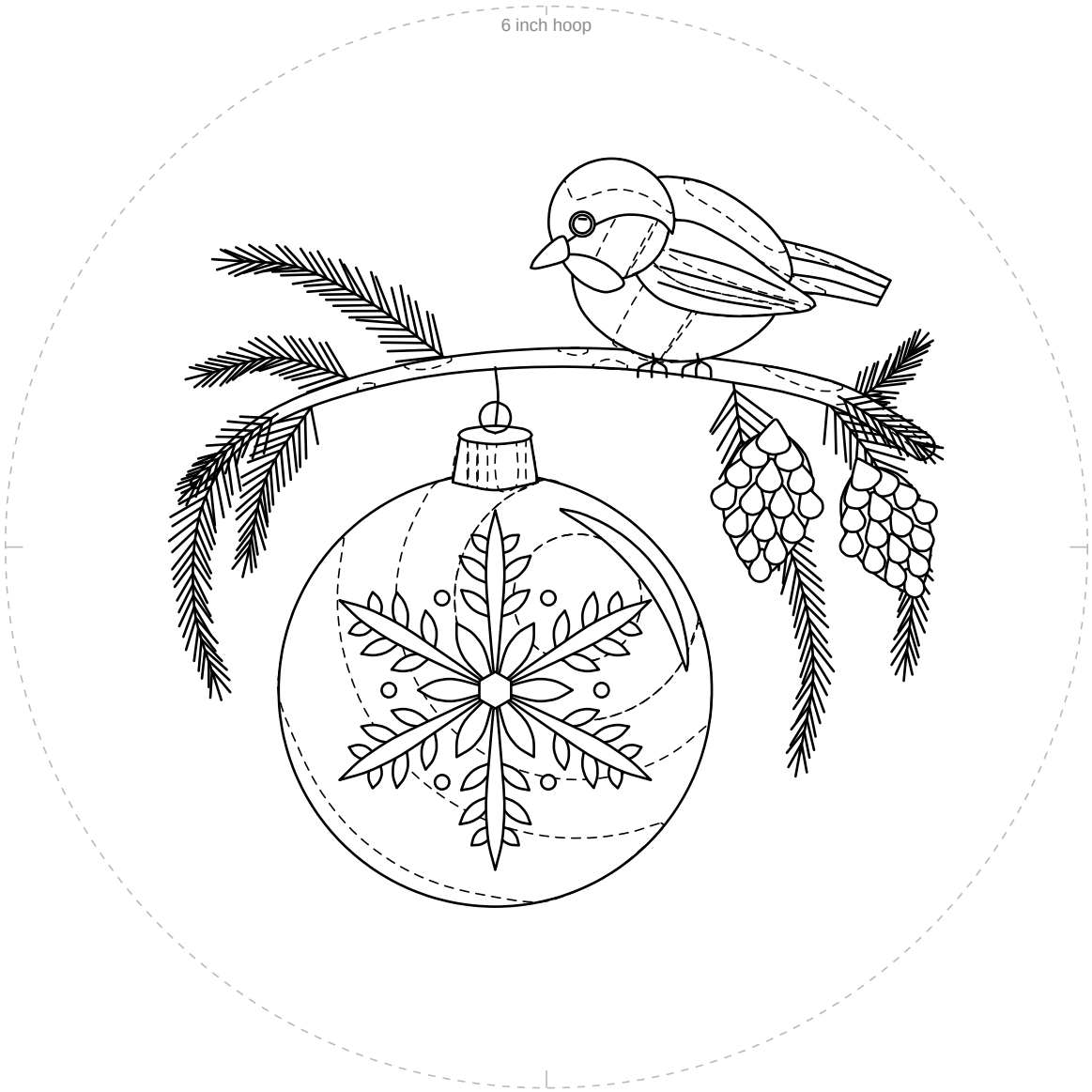


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