South Carolina palmetto tree

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.2 × 4.6 in (10.7 × 11.7 cm).



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

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Water, leaf bases, back fans, hanging fans, side fans, front fans, grass, sea oats
2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Dune, trunk
3. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Moon
4. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Leaf base edges
5. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Sand ripples, stalks, ribs, sea oat stems

Floss

- **1 DMC 312 Very Dark Baby Blue** Water (dark)
- **2 DMC 334 Medium Baby Blue** Water (middle)
- **3 DMC 3325 Light Baby Blue** Water (light)
- **4 DMC 822 Light Beige Gray** Dune (light)
- **5 DMC 841 Light Beige Brown**
  Leaf bases (middle), dune (dark), trunk (light), sand ripples
- **6 DMC 842 Very Light Beige Brown**
  Dune (middle), leaf bases (light)
- **7 DMC 839 Dark Beige Brown**
  Trunk (middle), leaf bases (dark)
- **8 DMC 3031 Very Dark Mocha Brown**
  Leaf base edges, trunk (dark)
- **9 DMC 3768 Dark Gray Green**
  Back fans and ribs (middle)
- **10 DMC 926 Medium Gray Green** Back fans (light)
- **11 DMC 924 Very Dark Gray Green**
  Back fans (dark), stalks
- **12 DMC 501 Dark Blue Green**
  Side fans and hanging fans (middle), grass (darker), ribs (dark)
- **13 DMC 503 Medium Blue Green**
  Side fans and hanging fans (light), grass (lighter)
- **14 DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green**
  Side fans and hanging fans (dark)
- **15 DMC 3348 Light Yellow Green**
  Front fans and ribs (light)
- **16 DMC 3364 Pine Green** Front fans (dark)
- **17 DMC 772 Very Light Yellow Green**
  Front fans (lightest)
- **18 DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green**
  Front fans (darkest)
- **19 DMC 3865 Winter White** Moon
- **20 DMC 782 Dark Topaz** Sea oat stems
- **21 DMC 3820 Dark Straw** Sea oats

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.

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6 inch hoop

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.

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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How many strands

Stem stitch. 4 strands: stalks; 3 strands: ribs; 2 strands: sea oat stems; 1 strand: sand ripples.

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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

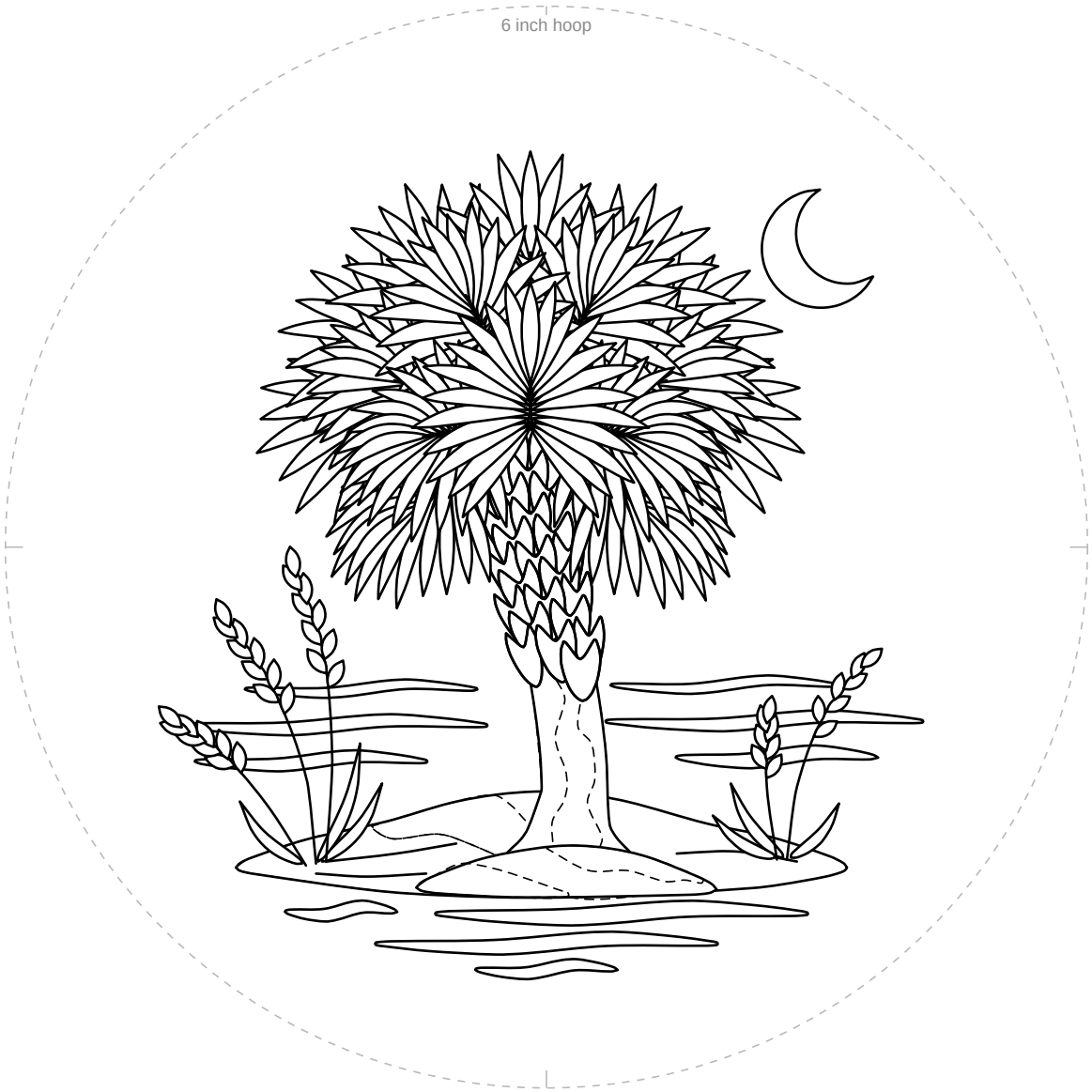
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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