Spring family tree with deep roots

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.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Soil, burrow, bark, chicks, nest, bird tails, bird breasts, bird heads, bird wings, rabbit fur, rabbit ears, blossom
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Open beaks, open mouths, beaks, inner ears, buds, coral bud, primroses
3. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Rabbit tails, raised petals
4. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Young leaves, primrose leaves
5. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Burrow edge, fine roots, rim, nest straws, bird legs, closed eyes, bud stalks
6. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Straw bed, noses, bud cups, grass, primrose stems
7. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Bark lines, wing bars, rabbit lines
8. **French knot**
   strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Far blossom, moss turf, chick eyes, bird eyes, blossom hearts, primrose hearts

Floss

- **1 DMC 3688 Medium Mauve**
  Far blossom (dark), blossom (darkest), inner ears
- **2 DMC 3689 Light Mauve**
  Far blossom (middle), blossom and raised petals (dark), buds
- **3 DMC 818 Baby Pink**
  Blossom and far blossom (light), raised petals (middle)
- **4 DMC 3031 Very Dark Mocha Brown**
  Burrow and soil (lighter), closed eyes and bird eyes
- **5 DMC 898 Very Dark Coffee Brown**
  Bark lines and nest (darkest), rabbit lines (dark), soil (darker) and 7 more parts
- **6 DMC 936 Very Dark Avocado Green**
  Moss turf (dark), primrose leaves (darker), bud cups
- **7 DMC 469 Avocado Green**
  Young leaves (darker), moss turf (middle), primrose leaves (lighter) and 2 more parts
- **8 DMC 471 Very Light Avocado Green**
  Young leaves (lighter), grass, moss turf (light)
- **9 DMC 433 Medium Brown**
  Bark (dark), rim and burrow edge, rabbit fur (shade 2 of 7) and 7 more parts
- **10 DMC 743 Medium Yellow**
  Straw bed and open beaks, blossom hearts (lighter) and 3 more parts
- **11 DMC 435 Very Light Brown**
  Bark (light), rabbit fur (shade 3 of 7), fine roots and 7 more parts
- **12 DMC 437 Light Tan**
  Bark and bark lines (lightest), rabbit fur (shade 6 of 7) and 4 more parts
- **13 DMC 842 Very Light Beige Brown**
  Rabbit fur (shade 5 of 7), chicks (light), bird wings (lightest) and 2 more parts
- **14 DMC 840 Medium Beige Brown** Chicks (dark)
- **15 DMC 841 Light Beige Brown**
  Rabbit fur (shade 4 of 7), chicks (middle), bird wings (light) and 1 more part
- **16 DMC 3687 Mauve** Blossom hearts (darker), open mouths and noses
- **17 DMC 739 Ultra Very Light Tan**
  Rabbit fur (shade 7 of 7), bird breasts (light) and 3 more parts
- **18 DMC 3865 Winter White**
  Raised petals (light), blossom and bird breasts (lightest) and 2 more parts
- **19 DMC 3790 Ultra Dark Beige Gray**
  Rabbit lines (light), bird wings (middle dark), bird heads (shade 3 of 8)
- **20 DMC 351 Coral** Coral bud
- **21 DMC 727 Very Light Topaz** Primroses

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.

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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3	DMC 818 Baby Pink	**10**	DMC 743 Medium Yellow	**17**	DMC 739 Ultra Very Light Tan
4	DMC 3031 Very Dark Mocha Brown	**11**	DMC 435 Very Light Brown	**18**	DMC 3865 Winter White
5	DMC 898 Very Dark Coffee Brown	**12**	DMC 437 Light Tan	**19**	DMC 3790 Ultra Dark Beige Gray
6	DMC 936 Very Dark Avocado Green	**13**	DMC 842 Very Light Beige Brown	**20**	DMC 351 Coral
7	DMC 469 Avocado Green	**14**	DMC 840 Medium Beige Brown	**21**	DMC 727 Very Light Topaz

How many strands

Stem stitch. 4 strands: rim; 3 strands: burrow edge, fine roots, closed eyes; 2 strands: nest straws, bird legs, bud stalks.
Straight stitch. 3 strands: noses, primrose stems; 2 strands: straw bed, bud cups, grass.
Split stitch. 2 strands: bark lines; 1 or 2 strands: rabbit lines; 1 strand: wing bars.
French knot. 2 strands: far blossom, moss turf, blossom hearts, primrose hearts; 1 strand: chick eyes, bird eyes.

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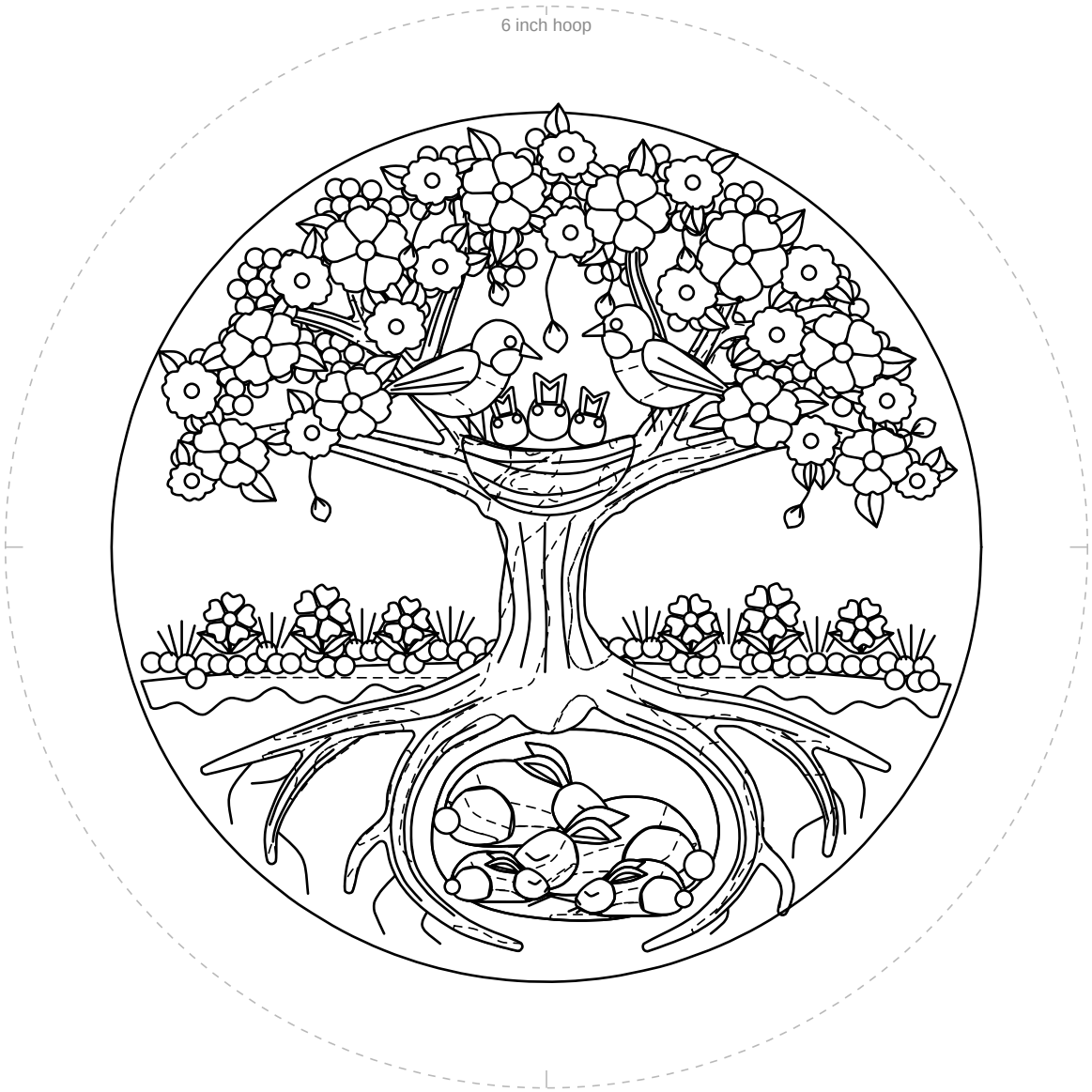
Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



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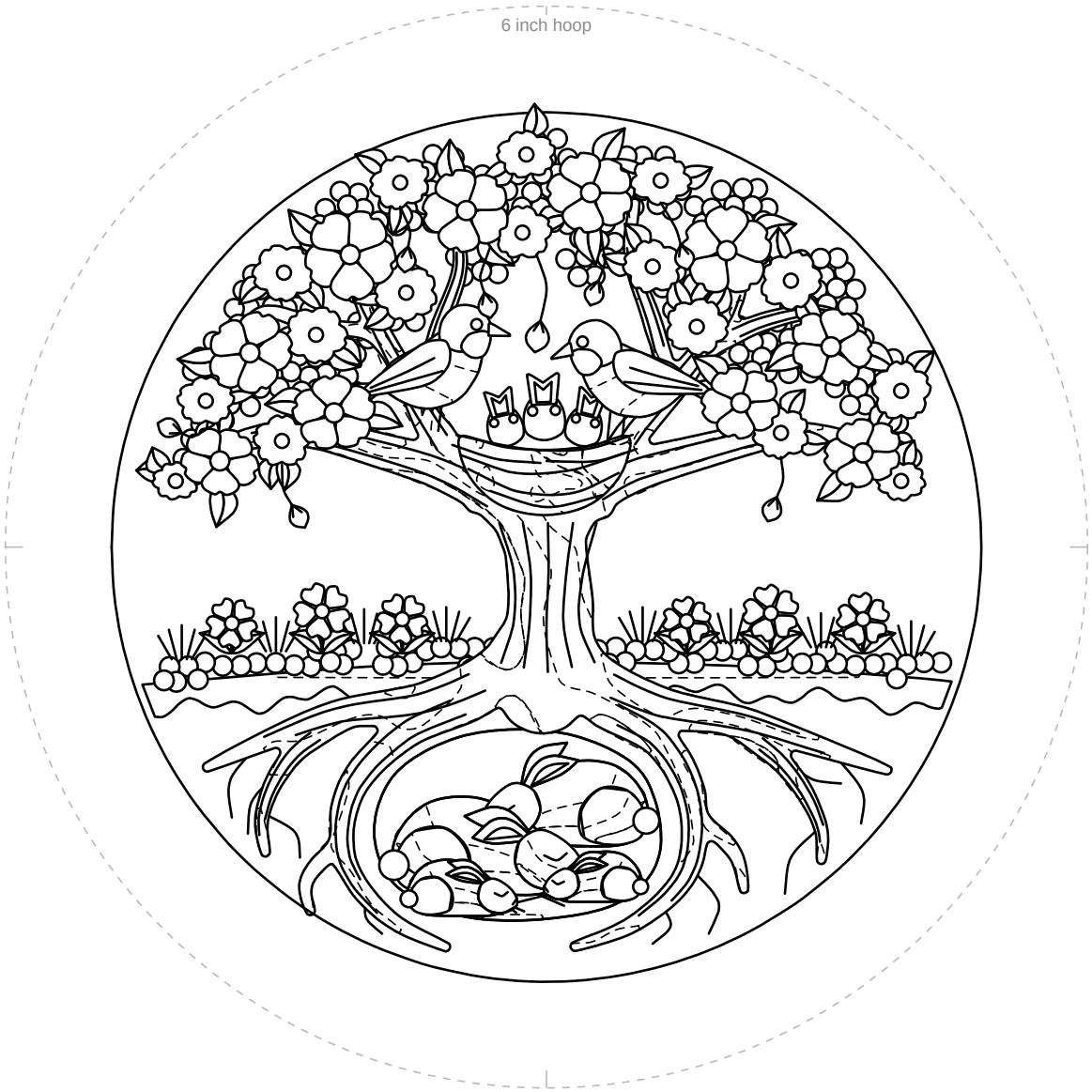
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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