Stitched with love

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.9 × 4.9 in (12.4 × 12.4 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.

Embroidery needles, size 9, and size 3 for 4 or 5 strands.

14 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. **Stem stitch**, 5 strands
   Vine

2. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves



3. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Patches, hexagon flower, flower centers, rose, dresden plate, sunflower, words



4. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Button threads



5. **Stem stitch**
   3 strands: block edges
   1 strand: flower edges (color 8)

6. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Flower edges (color 6)

7. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Button rims, edges of the words

8. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Buttons, flower centers



9. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Calico dots, seeds



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.



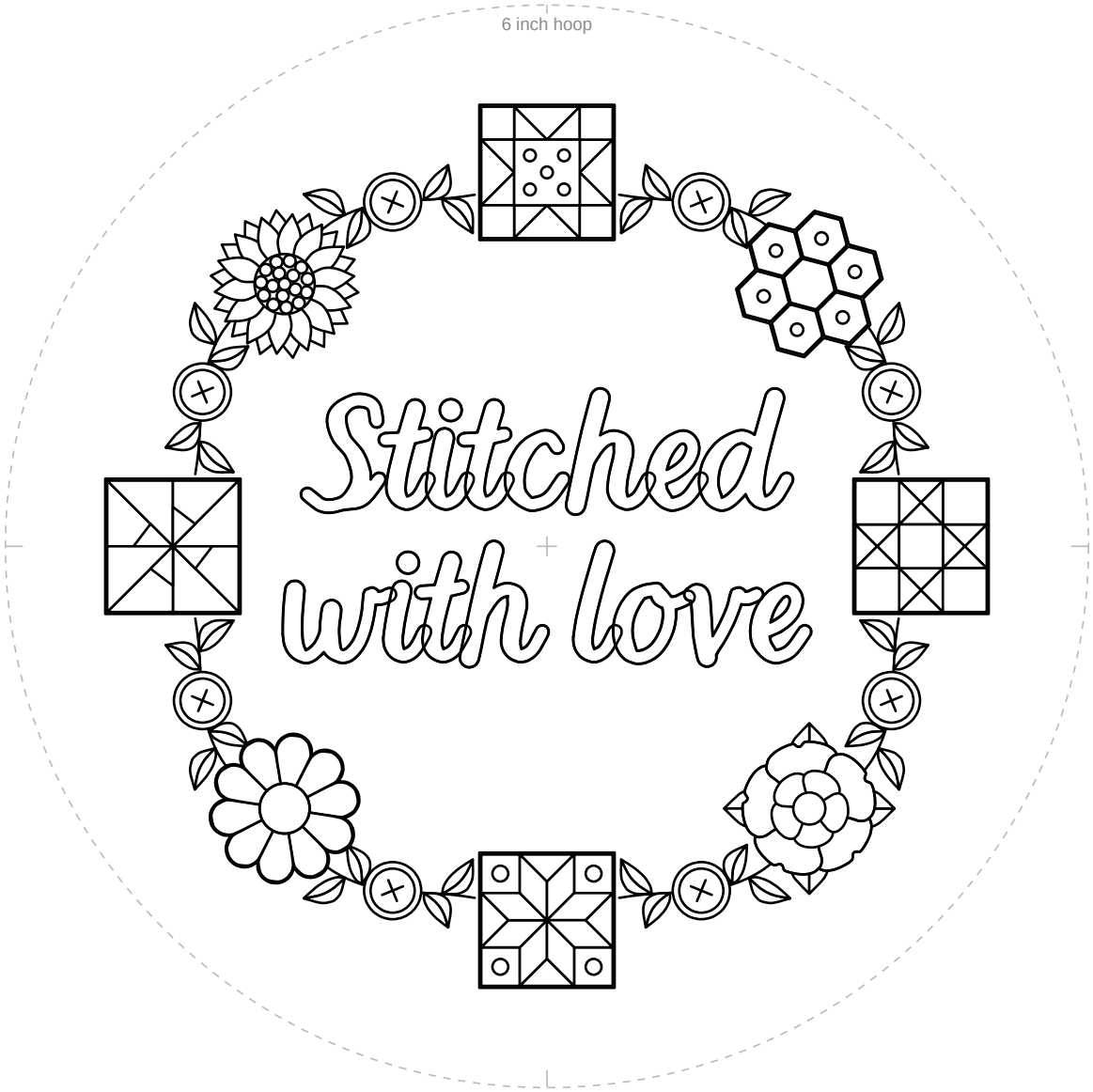
1	DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green	**6**	DMC 823 Dark Navy Blue	**11**	DMC 3822 Light Straw
2	DMC 3364 Pine Green	**7**	DMC 3777 Very Dark Terra Cotta	**12**	DMC 3722 Medium Shell Pink
3	DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green	**8**	DMC 815 Medium Garnet	**13**	DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz
4	DMC 783 Medium Topaz	**9**	DMC 712 Cream	**14**	DMC 939 Very Dark Navy Blue
5	DMC 838 Very Dark Beige Brown	**10**	DMC 932 Light Antique Blue		

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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.



1 in
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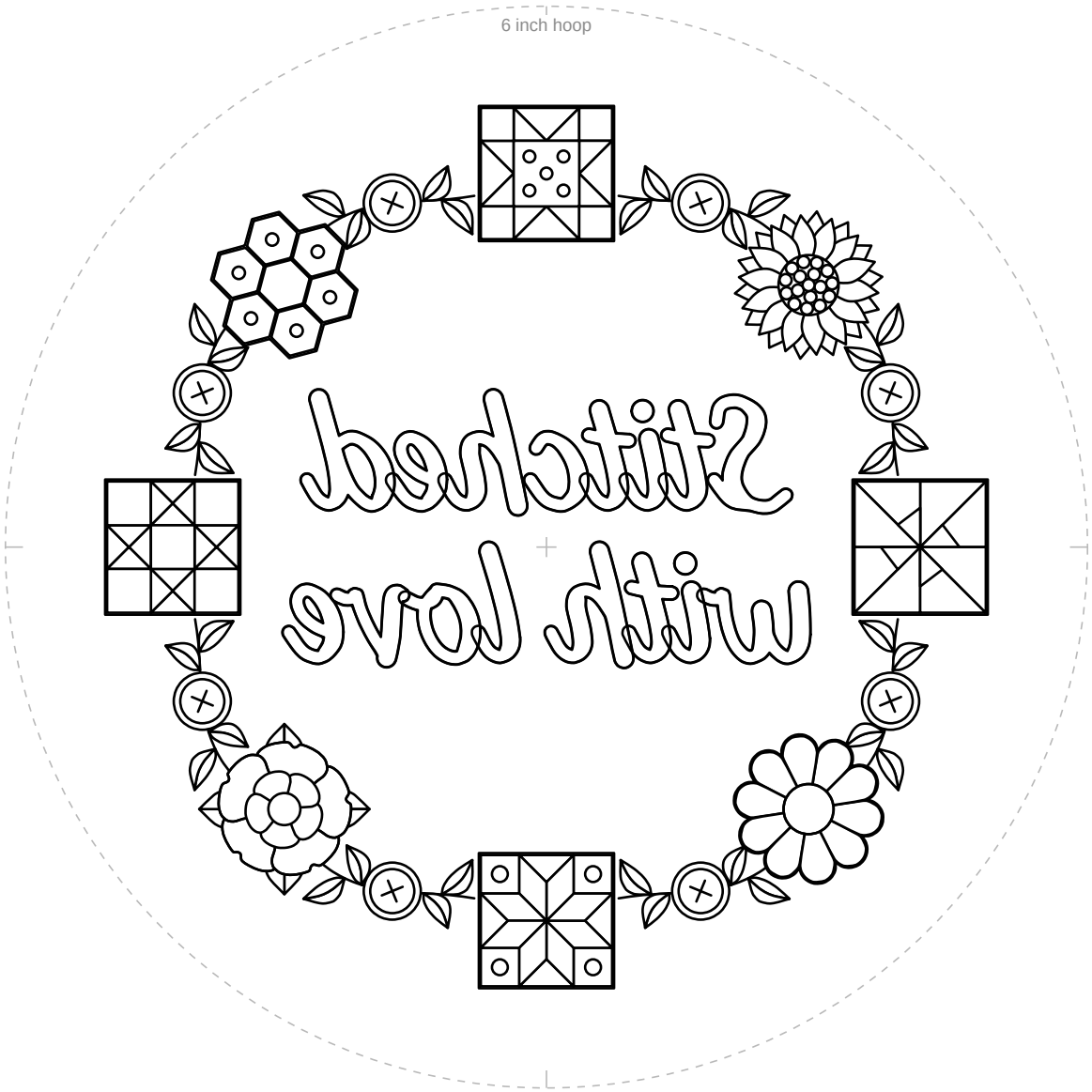
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