Submarine and dolphin bookmark

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 1.9 × 4.7 in (4.8 × 11.9 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.

11 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**, 3 strands
   Kelp

2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Sunburst, sun, gulls, periscope, periscope shade, waves, collars, lens, lens glass, dolphin back, dolphin fins, dolphin flank, dolphin belly, tail flukes, eye, kelp leaves, sand, sand front, starfish, conning tower, tail fin, propeller, hull, lower hull, hull stripe, porthole rims, porthole glass, fish, bubbles



3. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Bubble edges

4. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Smile, inner line

5. **Chain stitch**, 2 strands
   Border



6. **French knot**, 1 strand, two wraps
   Eye highlight, glass highlights, fish eyes



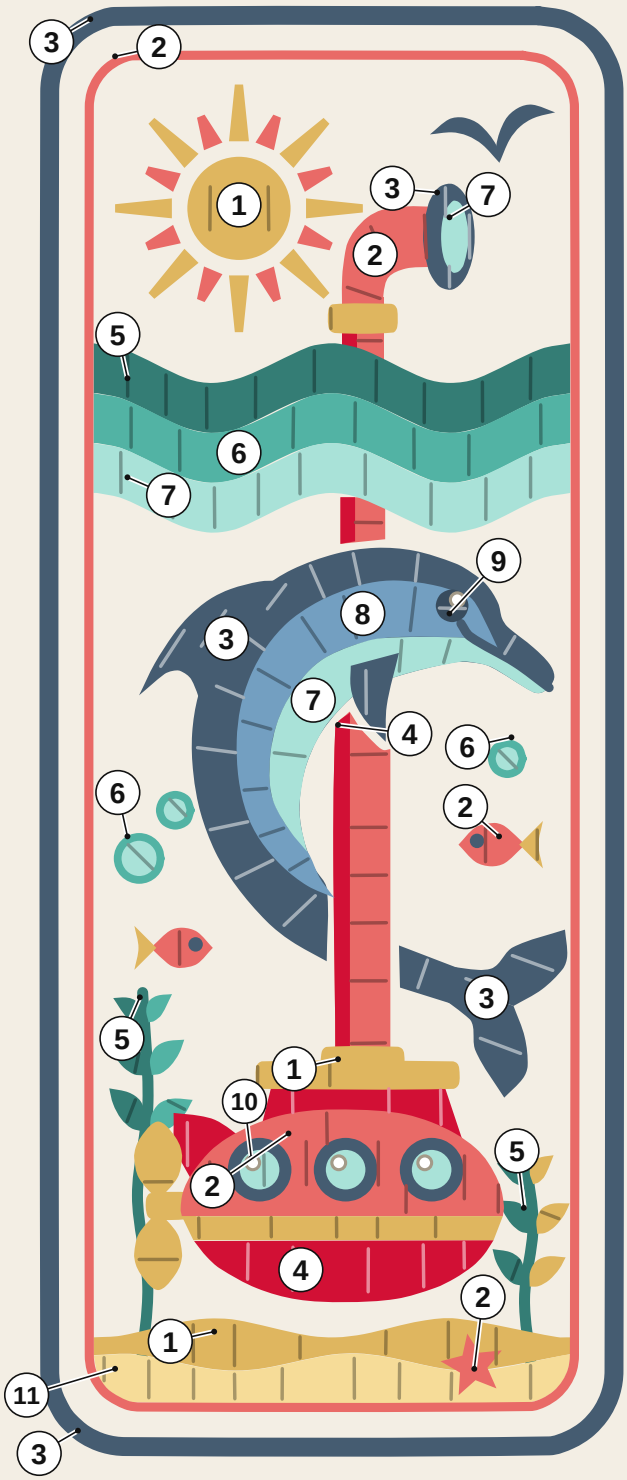
Take out lines that still show, press face down on soft cloth.

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A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



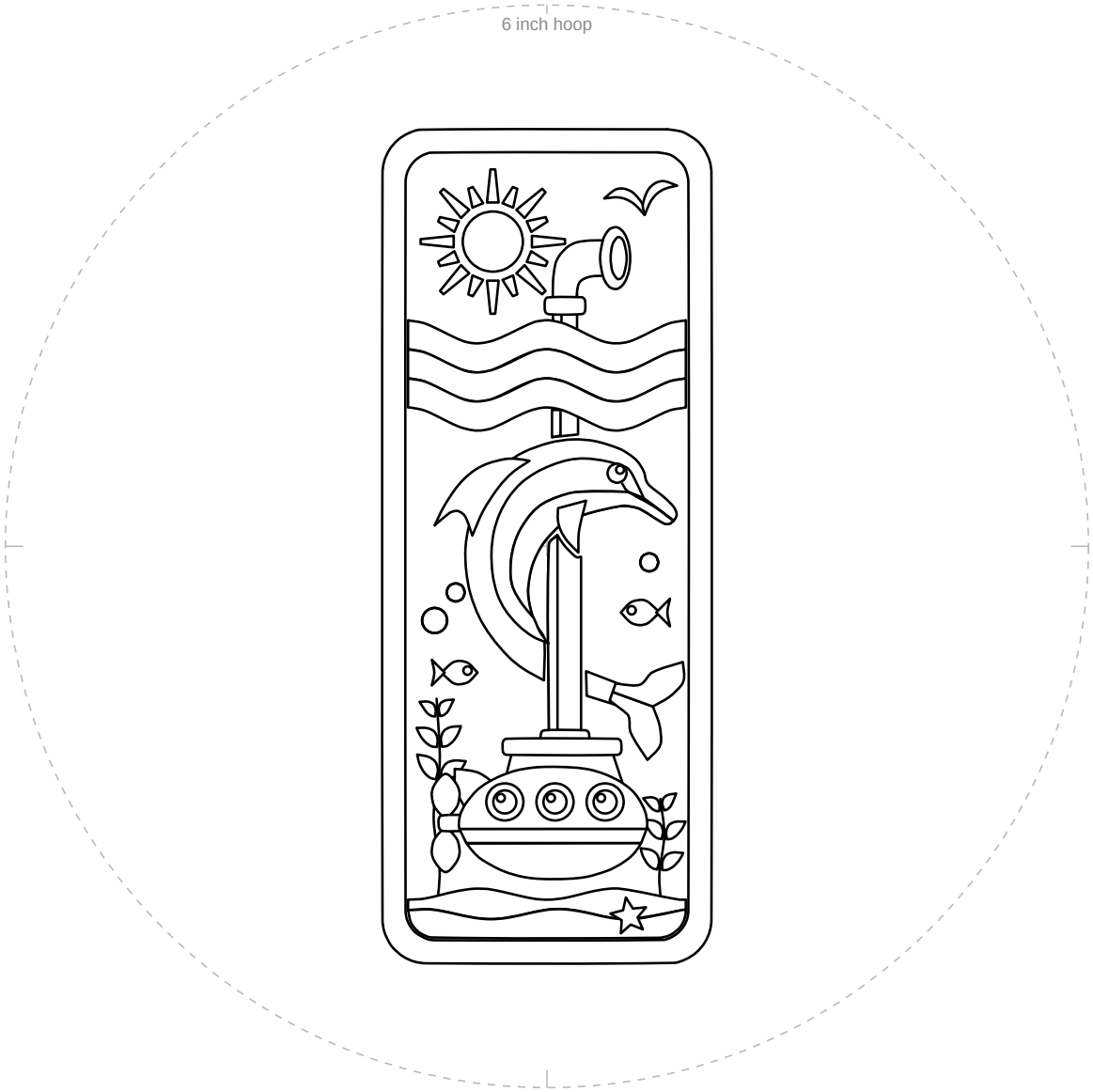
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2	DMC 351 Coral	**6**	DMC 3849 Light Teal Green	**10**	DMC B5200 Snow White
3	DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue	**7**	DMC 964 Light Seagreen	**11**	DMC 3822 Light Straw
4	DMC 349 Dark Coral	**8**	DMC 334 Medium Baby Blue		

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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.



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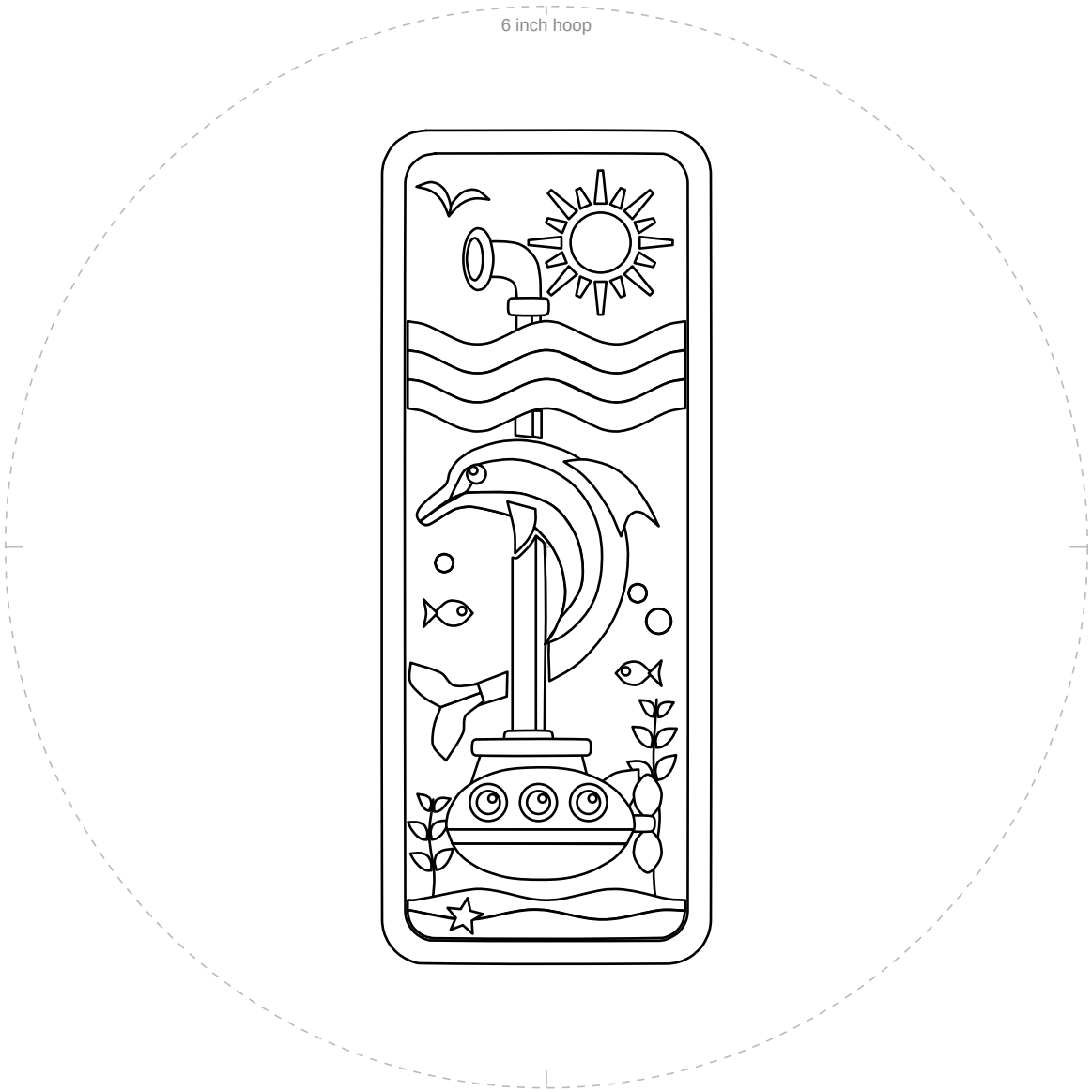
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