Sweetheart bow

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4 × 3.6 in (10.2 × 9.1 cm)



Colors.

Floss

- **DMC 355 Dark Terra Cotta**
  Bow tails
- **DMC 304 Medium Red**
  Bow loops
- **DMC 152 Medium Light Shell Pink**
  Heart

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Bow tails, bow loops, heart (in two halves that meet down its middle, each half slanted to the seam)



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

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.

The back is seen: no knots. Start with tiny stitches; end around the backs of four or five stitches.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches.

New to this: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.

Onto the fabric

Fabric you can see through: page 2 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 2 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 3, 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.

Buy: one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), an embroidery needle size 7, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen, a water-soluble pen.

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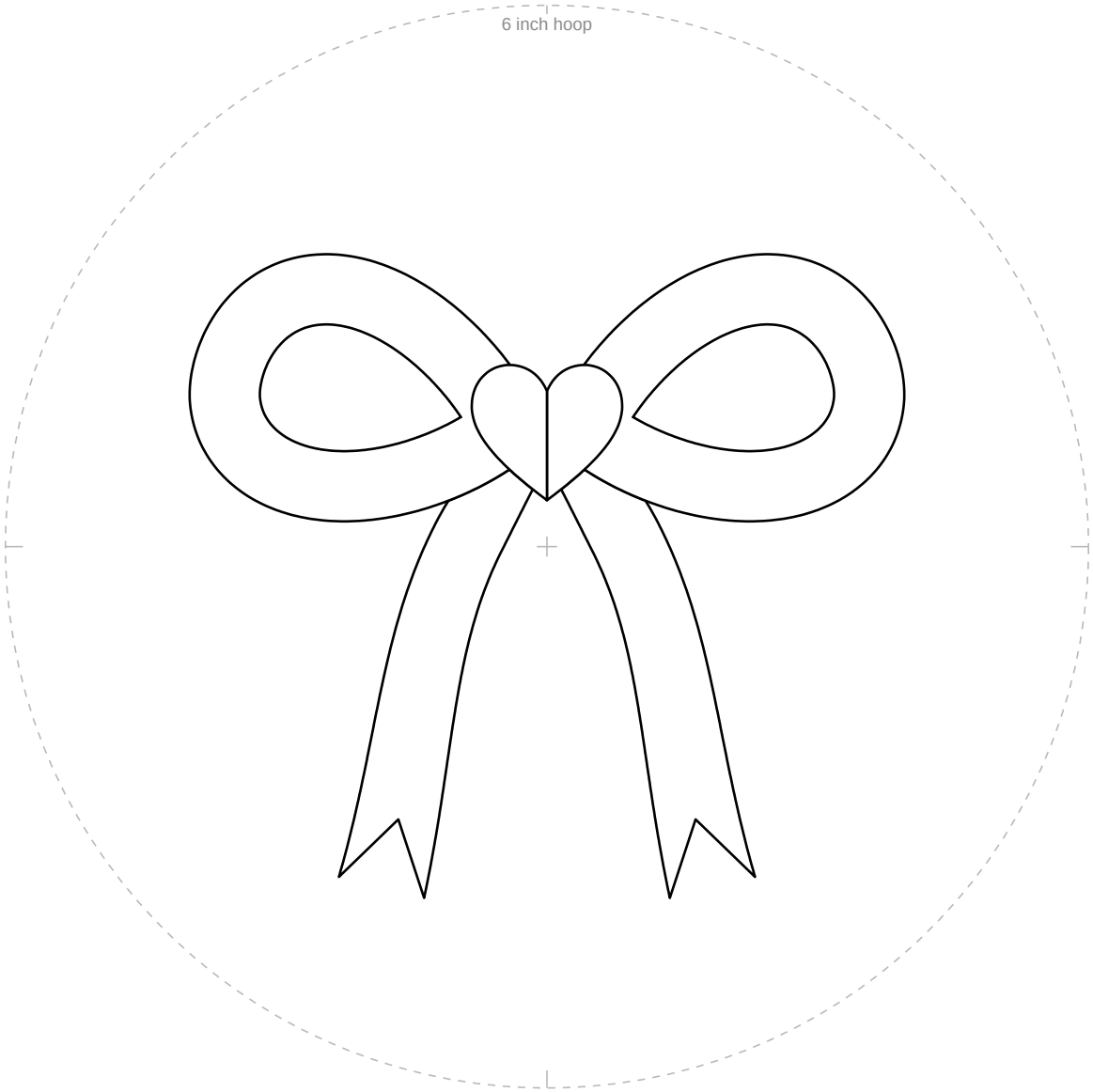
Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.



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25.4 mm

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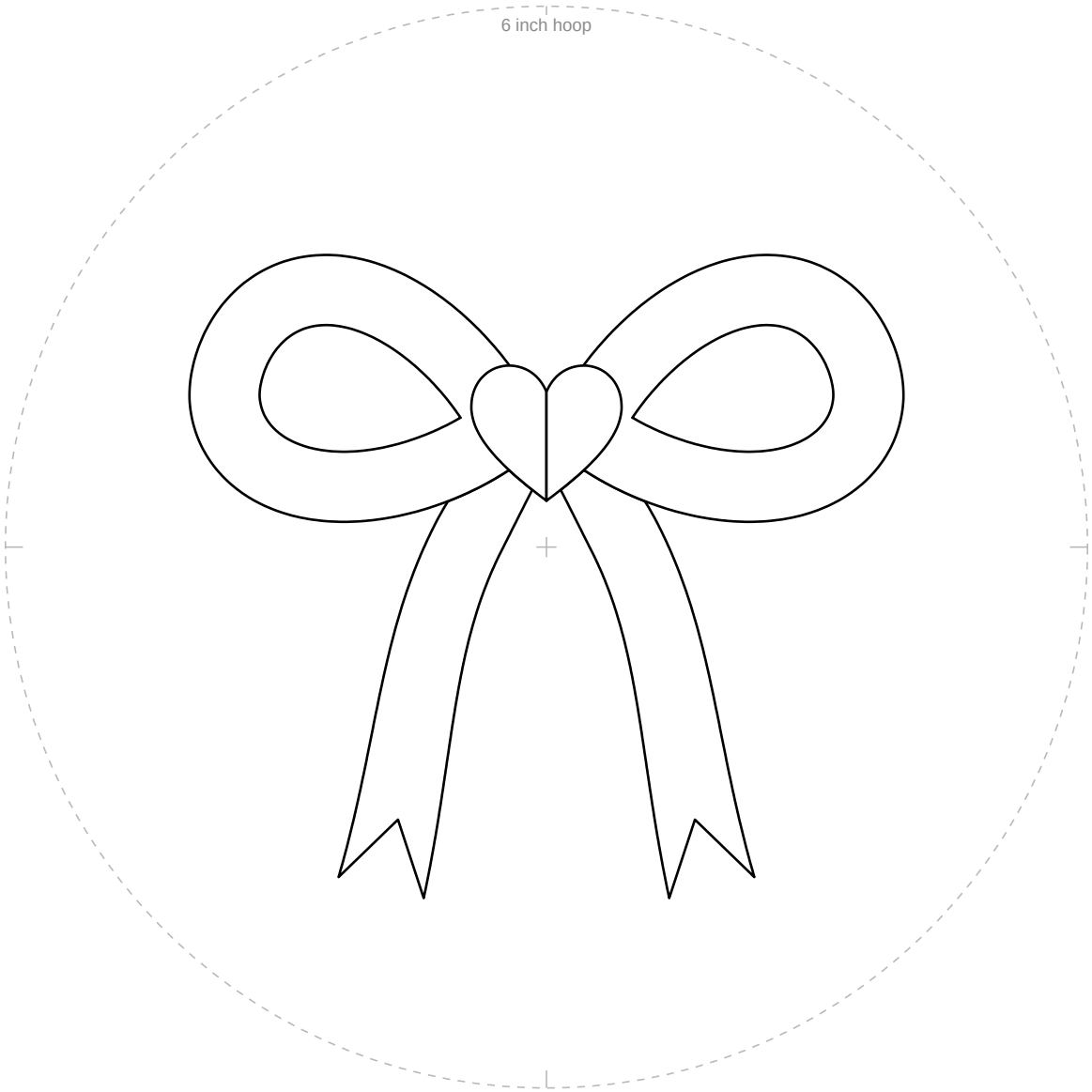
For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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