Teacup and saucer from above

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

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

22 colors of floss (page 2): 2 skeins of DMC 3753; one of each other 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. **Long and short stitch**
   colors 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22
   3 strands: saucer
   2 strands: cup shadow, spoon handle, handle, tea, petal



2. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 20
   Saucer rim, leaves, buds, blossoms, blossom cups, blossom centers, sepals, spoon shadow, spoon bowl, handle shadow, cup inside, cup rim, petal shadow, petal fold



3. **Trellis stitch**
   2 strands, colors 6, 9
   Panel lattice



4. **Stem stitch**
   colors 5, 6, 9, 12, 13, 18, 19
   3 strands: rings, stems, cup lines
   4 strands: panel edges
   1 strand: blossom edges, spoon hollow, ripples
   2 strands: spoon edges, handle edges, handle line, cup edges

5. **Straight stitch**, 1 strand, color 21
   Petal veins



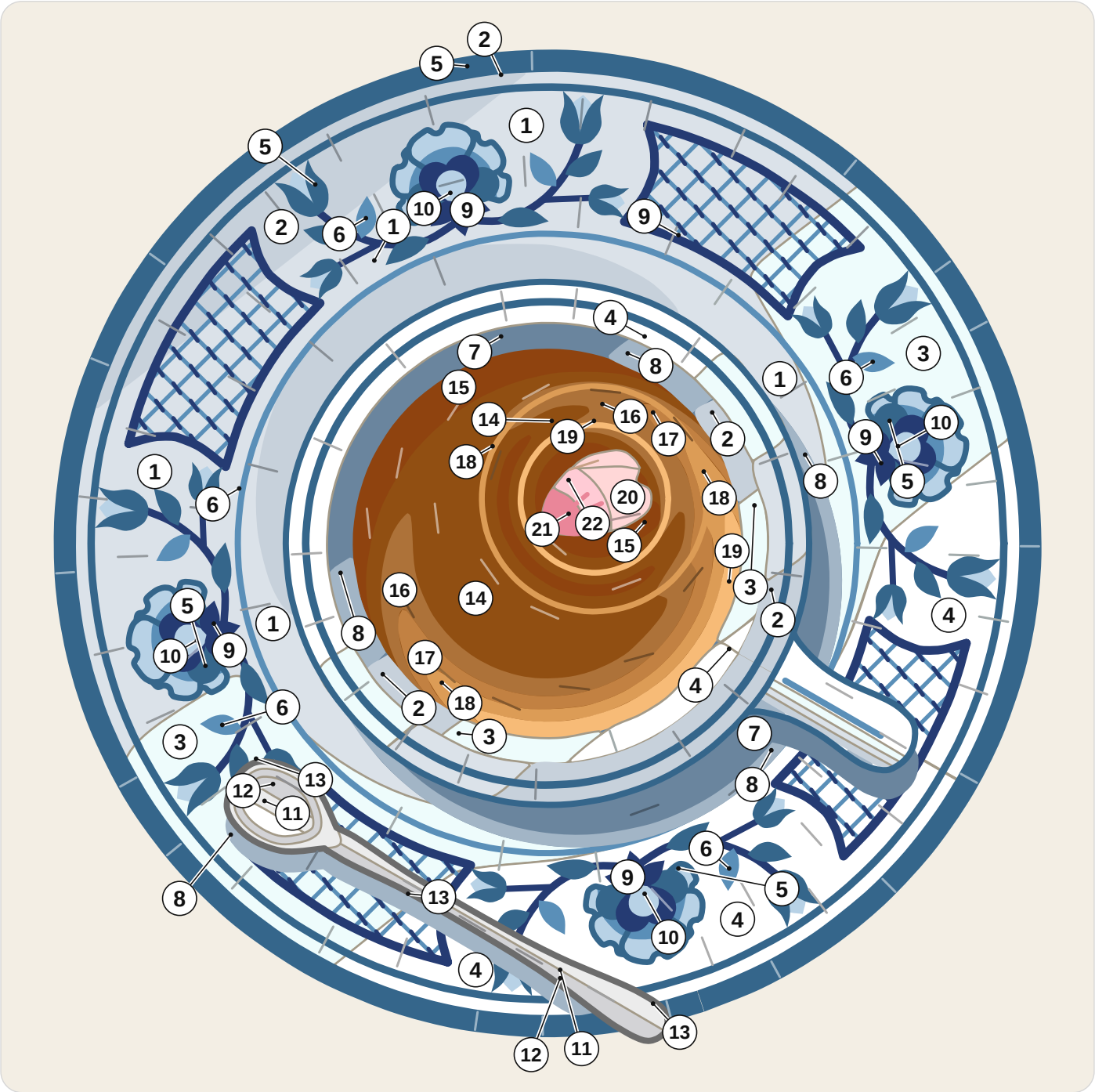
Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop.

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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 3753 Ultra Very Light Antique Bl...	9	DMC 336 Navy Blue	17	DMC 976 Medium Golden Brown
2	DMC 3752 Very Light Antique Blue	10	DMC 3325 Light Baby Blue	18	DMC 977 Light Golden Brown
3	DMC 3756 Ultra Very Light Baby Blue	11	DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray	19	DMC 3827 Pale Golden Brown
4	DMC B5200 Snow White	12	DMC 415 Pearl Gray	20	DMC 963 Ultra Very Light Dusty Rose
5	DMC 312 Very Dark Baby Blue	13	DMC 317 Pewter Gray	21	DMC 3833 Light Raspberry
6	DMC 322 Dark Baby Blue	14	DMC 975 Dark Golden Brown	22	DMC 3708 Light Melon
7	DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue	15	DMC 400 Dark Mahogany		
8	DMC 932 Light Antique Blue	16	DMC 3826 Golden Brown		

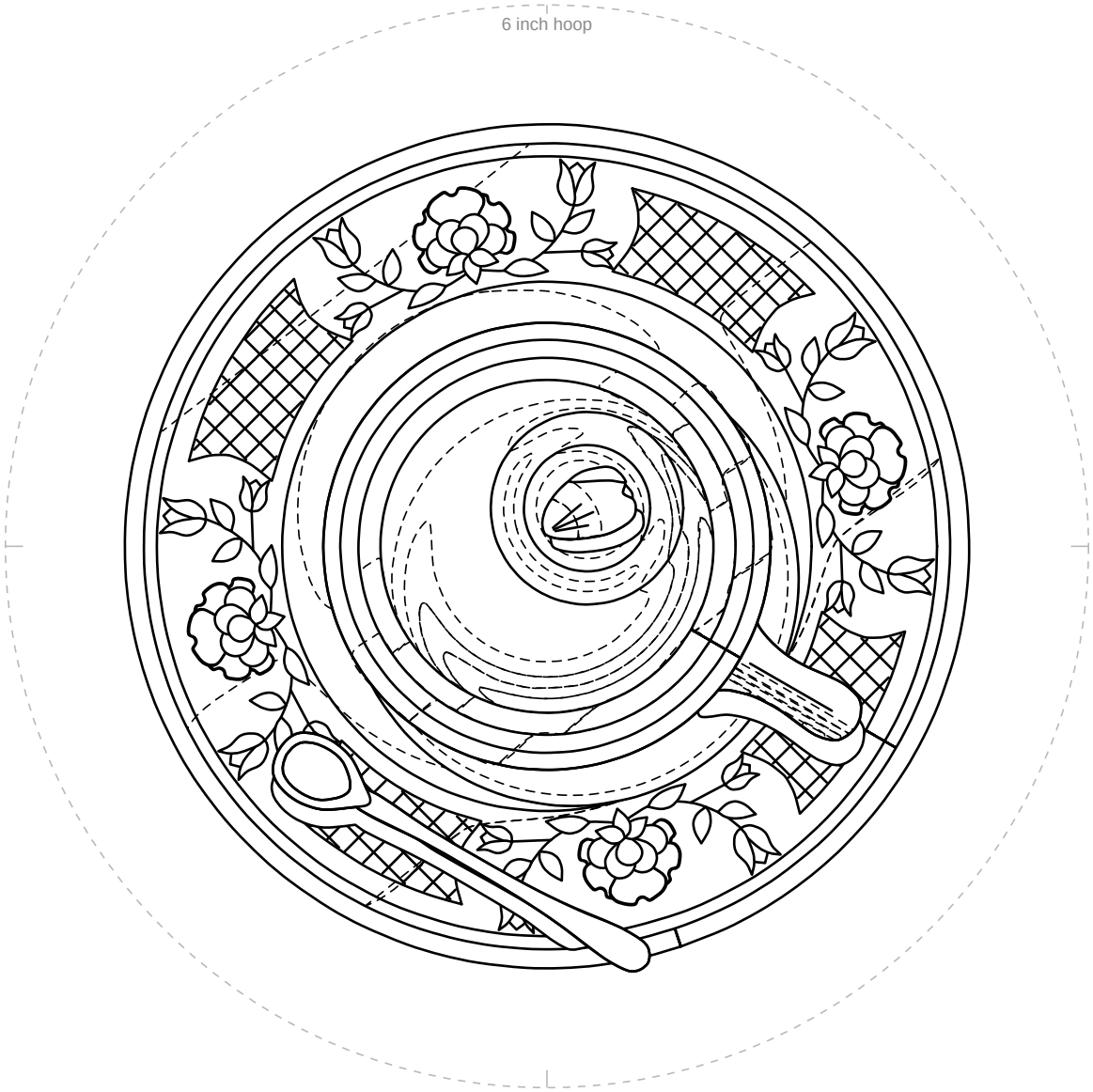
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Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



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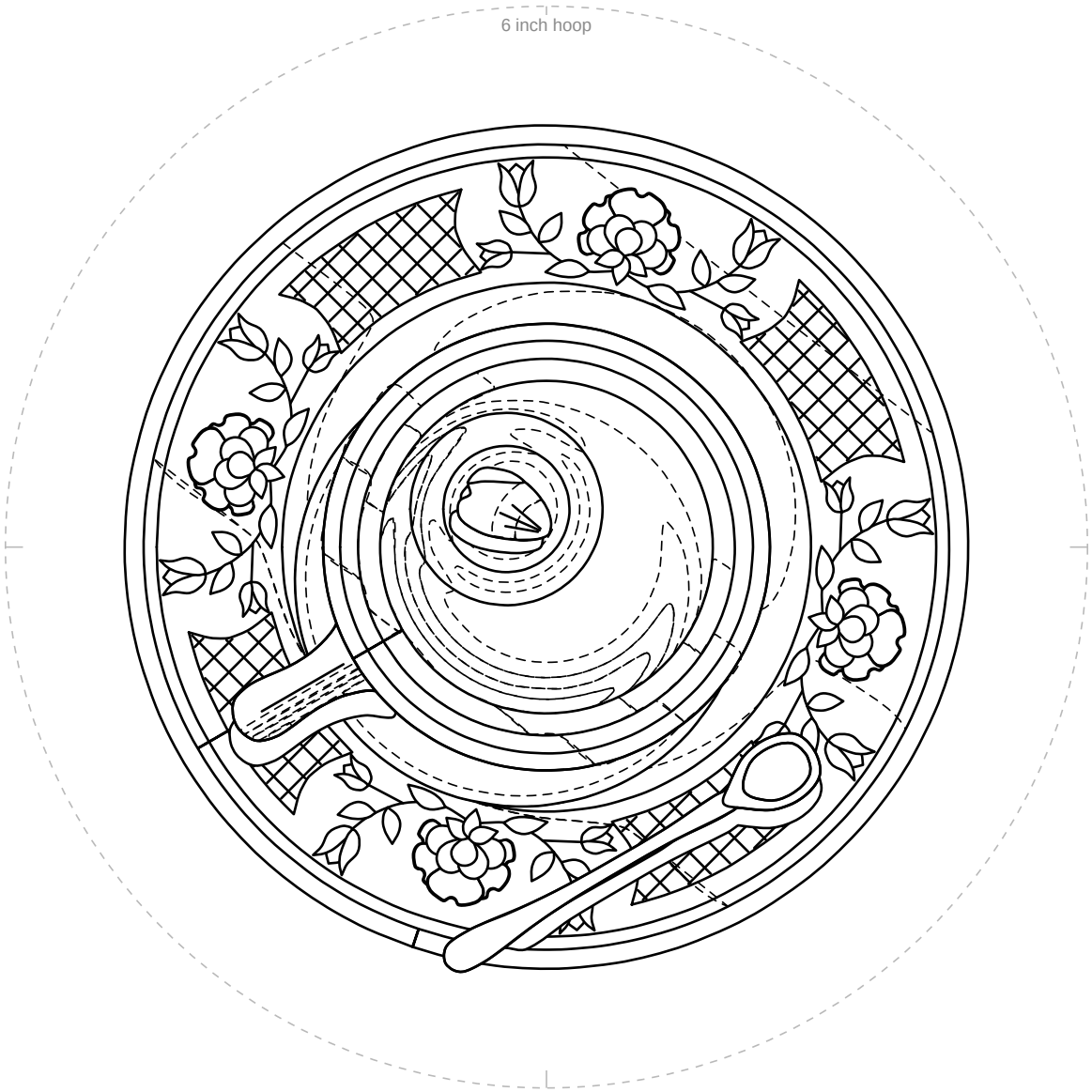
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