# Teapot stars of Sagittarius

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.6 × 4.6 in (11.7 × 11.7 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: navy cotton or linen.

## What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of navy cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

21 colors of floss (page 2): one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes).

A white pencil, and small scissors.

## Onto the fabric

Fabric that lets light through: page 3 on a bright light, the fabric over it; trace with a white pencil.

Other fabric: print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, stick it on, stitch through it and rinse it away.

Or white or yellow carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint and go over a faint line with a white pencil.

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**
   1 strand, colors 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18
   Milky way, far ridge, handle, spout, body, lid, knob (color 16), near ridge



2. **Fishbone stitch**
   2 strands, colors 12, 13
   China leaves



3. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16
   Spout lip, china flowers, china flower centers, collar, knob (color 13), meadow rows



4. **Split stitch**, 1 strand, color 15
   Spout light



5. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands, color 13
   China vine



6. **Back stitch**, 1 strand, color 12
   China flower edges



7. **Straight stitch**
   colors 6, 10, 11, 17, 21
   3 strands: pine trunks, pines, great stars
   2 strands: small stars



8. **Couching**
   3 strands, colors 19, 20
   Constellation lines



9. **Padded satin stitch**
   2 strands, color 21
   Eight stars



10. **French knot**
    two wraps, colors 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 15
    1 strand: star clouds, nebula, star dust
    2 strands: collar dots



Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop or sew a pillow.

In a 6 inch hoop the French knots are drawn smaller than about 2 mm (a little over 1/16 in). Use one strand of floss for them there, or choose a larger 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.




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| 1 | DMC 3746 Dark Blue Violet | 8 | DMC 3688 Medium Mauve | 15 | DMC 809 Delft Blue |
| 2 | DMC 333 Very Dark Blue Violet | 9 | DMC 3687 Mauve | 16 | DMC 800 Pale Delft Blue |
| 3 | DMC 340 Medium Blue Violet | 10 | DMC 500 Very Dark Blue Green | 17 | DMC 502 Blue Green |
| 4 | DMC 341 Light Blue Violet | 11 | DMC 501 Dark Blue Green | 18 | DMC 503 Medium Blue Green |
| 5 | DMC 3747 Very Light Blue Violet | 12 | DMC 796 Dark Royal Blue | 19 | DMC 3820 Dark Straw |
| 6 | DMC 3756 Ultra Very Light Baby Blue | 13 | DMC 798 Dark Delft Blue | 20 | DMC 783 Medium Topaz |
| 7 | DMC 778 Very Light Antique Mauve | 14 | DMC 799 Medium Delft Blue | 21 | DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow |



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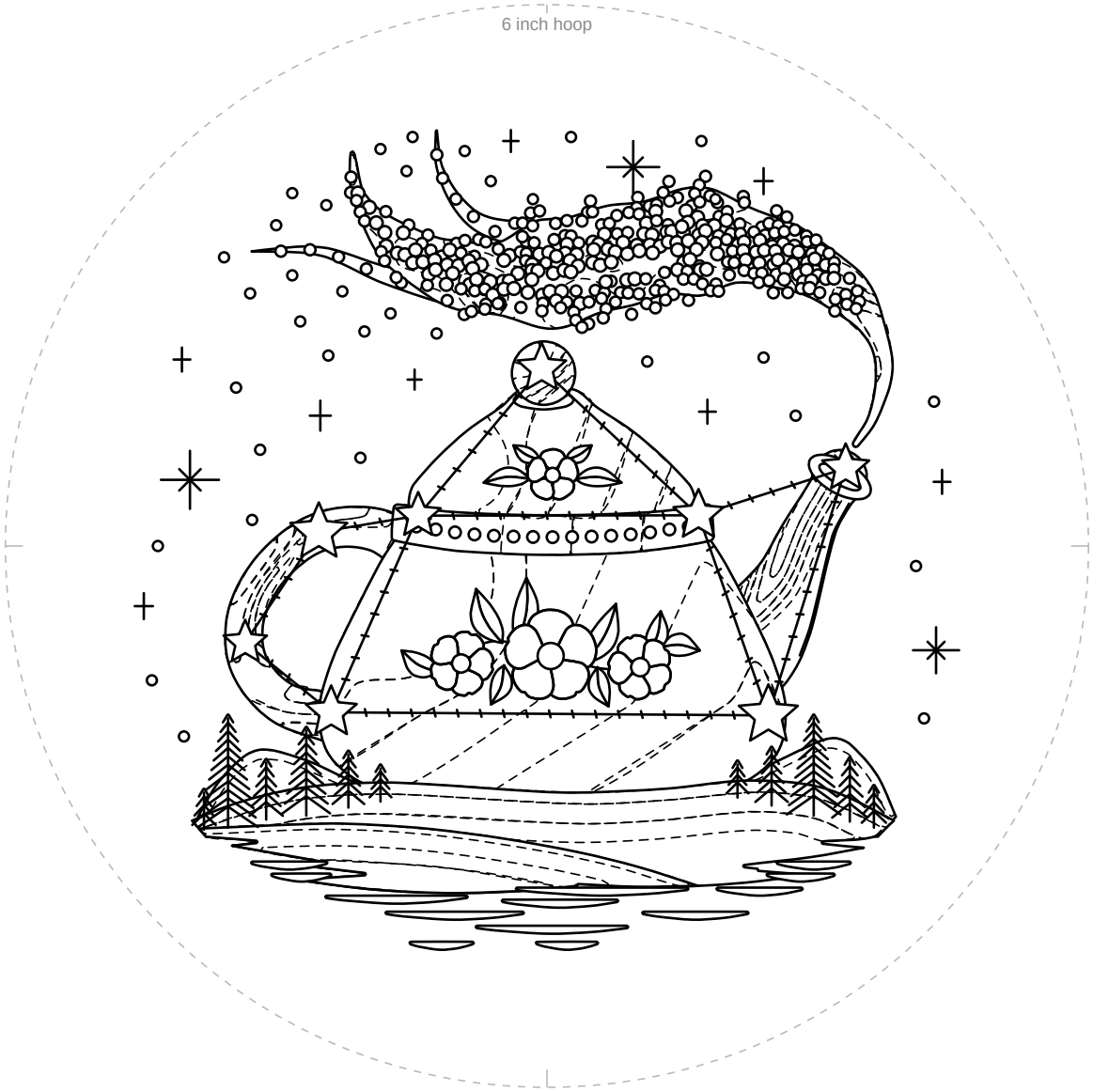
**6 inch hoop**

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




**1 in**
25.4 mm

Not 1 inch (25.4 mm)? Print again at 100%.



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