Three fireworks over a village in line

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.8 × 4.5 in (12.2 × 11.4 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: navy cotton or linen.

Three ways onto dark fabric

1. **Light shines through it**
   Lay page 3 on a bright light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a white marking pencil or pen.
2. **No light shines through**
   Print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, smooth it onto fabric that can be washed, stitch through both and rinse it away.
3. **White or yellow carbon paper**
   Lay it colored side down on the fabric with page 3 on top, tape the layers and trace firmly with a ballpoint pen. Go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Page 3 is the pattern at actual size (page 4 is its mirror, for an iron-on pen on a light fabric). Print it at 100% with scaling turned off. Then put the fabric in the hoop: inner ring under, drawing up, tight as a drum.

Floss

- **1 DMC 739 Ultra Very Light Tan**
  Town and hills, lake ripples (lightest)
- **2 DMC 742 Light Tangerine**
  Lit windows
- **3 DMC 3846 Light Bright Turquoise**
  Pinwheel arms, short rays and lake ripples (dark) and 4 more parts
- **4 DMC 3821 Straw**
  Willow arms, lake ripples and rocket trails (light)
- **5 DMC 351 Coral**
  Long rays, lake ripples (darkest), rocket trails and sparks (dark)
- **6 DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow**
  Falling sparks (lighter), short rays, sparks and burst centers (light)
- **7 DMC 353 Peach**
  Short rays and burst centers (middle)

Stitch in this order

Filled parts from the back of the picture forward, then lines and knots.

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Lit windows
2. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Town and hills, lake ripples
3. **Running stitch**, 2 strands
   Rocket trails, falling sparks
4. **Stem stitch**
   strands by part on page 2
   Willow arms, short rays, long rays, pinwheel arms
5. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Sparks, burst centers

What you need

Easy. A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, and a 9 inch (23 cm) square of plain cotton or linen, in navy. Embroidery needle: size 7. Skeins: one of each color is enough. An estimate for the 6 inch hoop, from the length of each line and the area of each filled shape, with a fifth added for tails.

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6 inch hoop

How to read it

Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

Inside a filled shape start with two or three tiny stitches, which the filling covers. Start a line with a small knot on the back. End each thread by running the needle under the backs of a few stitches.

Each small ring is one French knot. A dashed line is running stitch.

A number on the picture is a color of the list of floss on page 1. The fine lines on the colors show which way the stitches lie.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches. The first time: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.



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How many strands

Stem stitch. 3 strands: willow arms, pinwheel arms; 2 strands: short rays, long rays.

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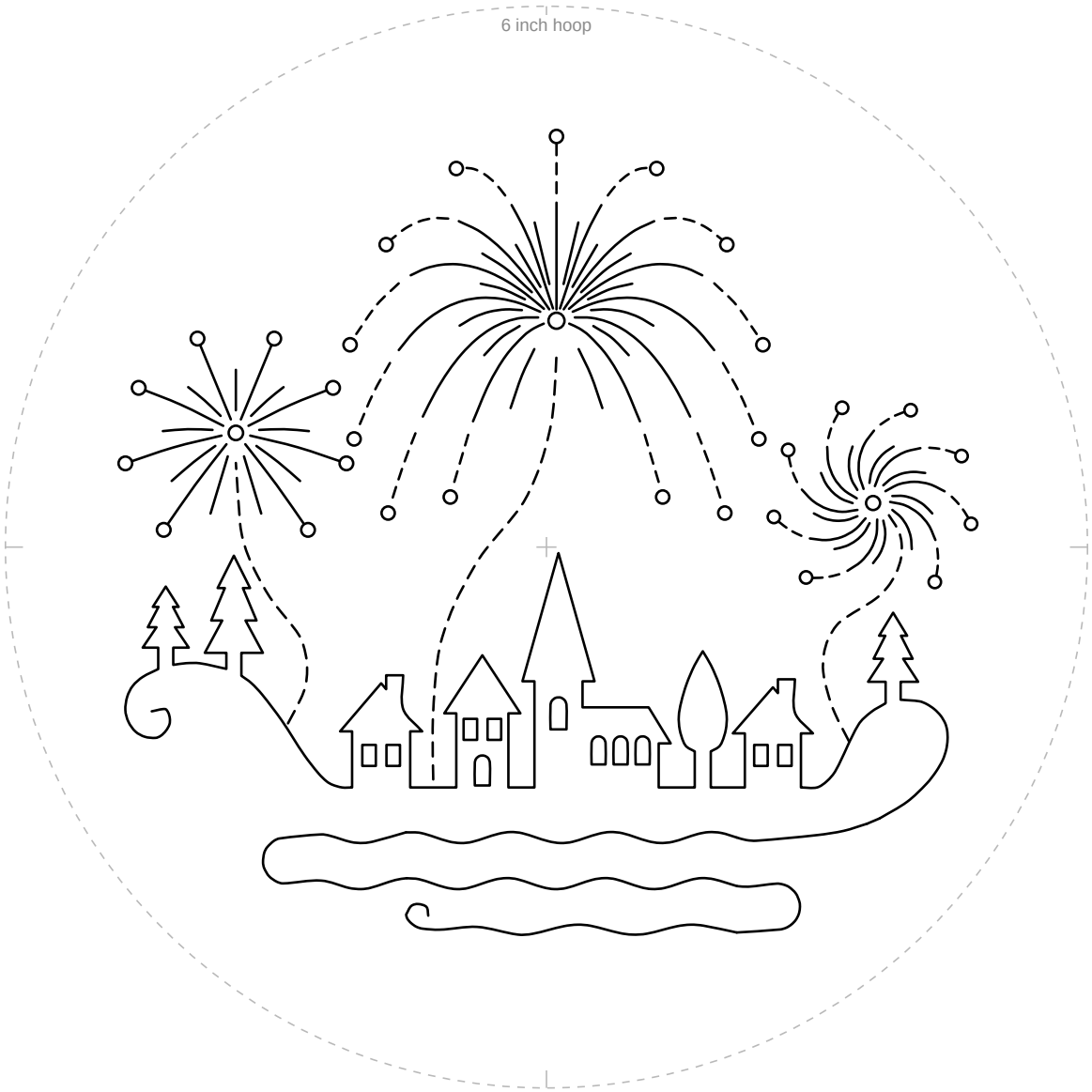
Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

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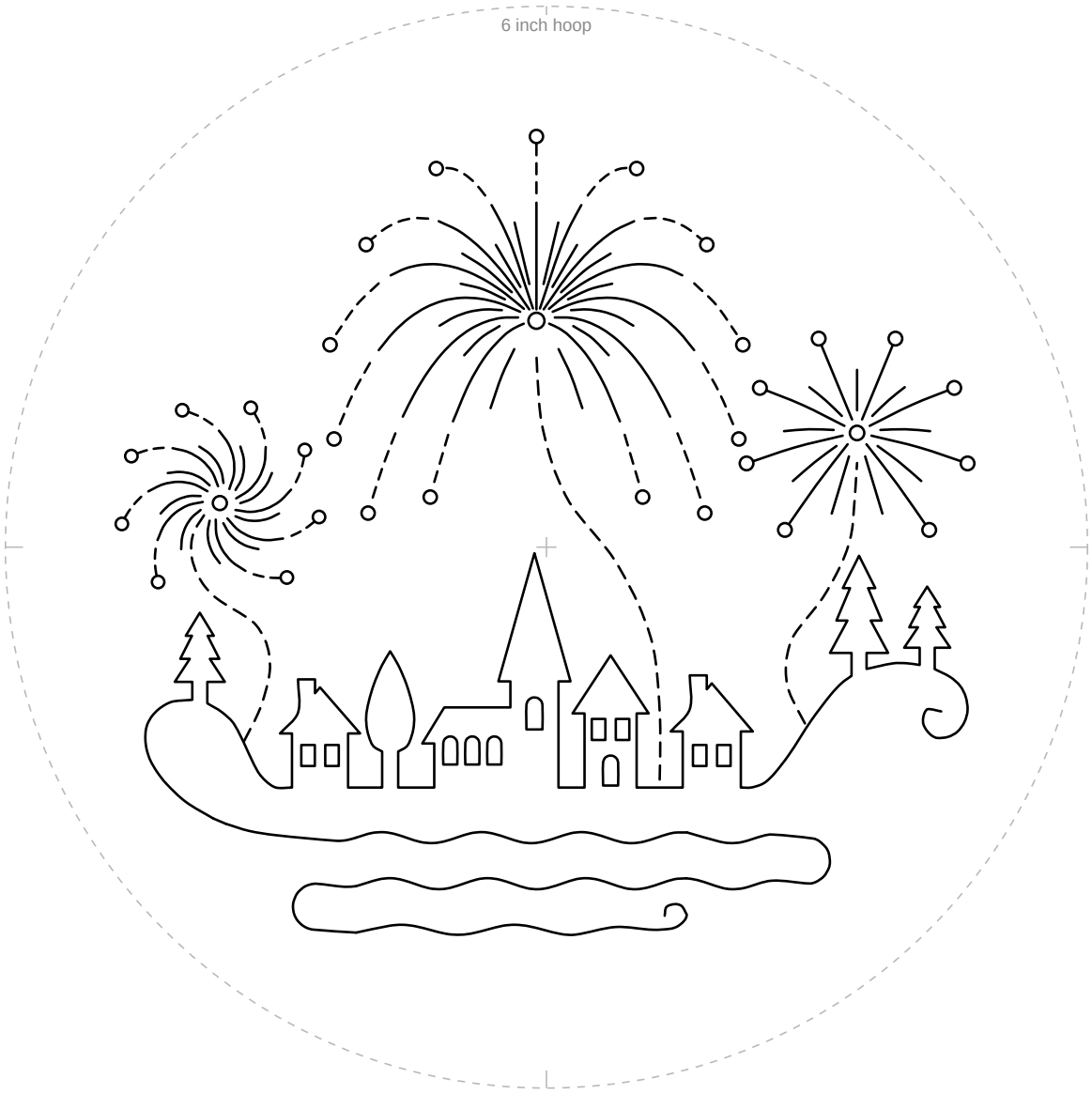
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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