Tractor and fields linework sampler

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.9 × 4.9 in (12.4 × 12.4 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.

Stitch in this order

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

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Sun, poppy leaves, engine, hood, tires, wheels, fenders, axle housing, drawbar, shirt sleeves, neck, ears, hair, braces, seat, hands, and 3 more
2. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Seedlings
3. **Fern stitch**, 4 strands
   Fern stitch row
4. **Blanket stitch**, 4 strands
   Blanket stitch row
5. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Shirt back
6. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Sun rays, poplar trunks, poppy stems
7. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Far hills, poplars, hill line, seedling stems, exhaust pipe, steering wheel, cloud, rim
8. **Running stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Far hills, running stitch row, furrow lines, cloud
9. **Fly stitch**, 2 strands
   Poplars
10. **Feather stitch**, 4 strands
    Feather stitch row
11. **Whipped back stitch**, 3 to 6 strands
    Whipped row
12. **Chain stitch**, 6 strands
    Chain stitch row

Floss

- **1 DMC 3820 Dark Straw** Sun, seed knots and wheel knots, couched row (lighter)
- **2 DMC 729 Medium Old Gold** Straw hat and whipped row (lighter), sun rays
- **3 DMC 3768 Dark Gray Green** Far hills and cloud
- **4 DMC 3345 Dark Hunter Green**
  Poplars and seedling stems, seedlings and hill line (darker)
- **5 DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown**
  Rim, seed row, braces and poplar trunks, couched row and whipped row (darker)
- **6 DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green** Seedlings and hill line (lighter)
- **7 DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz**
  Herringbone row, blanket stitch row and running stitch row, straw hat (darker)
- **8 DMC 3346 Hunter Green** Feather stitch row, poppy stems and poppy leaves
- **9 DMC 895 Very Dark Hunter Green** Fern stitch row and chain stitch row
- **10 DMC 817 Very Dark Coral Red** Wheels, hood and poppies (darker), hat band
- **11 DMC 349 Dark Coral** Fenders, poppies, hood and wheels (lighter)
- **12 DMC 3031 Very Dark Mocha Brown**
  Poppy hearts, drawbar and hood louvers
- **13 DMC 433 Medium Brown** Furrow lines and hair
- **14 DMC 413 Dark Pewter Gray** Tires (lighter), axle housing, gulls and engine
- **15 DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray**
  Tires (darker), exhaust pipe, steering wheel and seat
- **16 DMC 318 Light Steel Gray** Tire lugs
- **17 DMC 312 Very Dark Baby Blue** Shirt back and shirt sleeves (darker)
- **18 DMC 3064 Desert Sand** Hands, neck and ears
- **19 DMC 322 Dark Baby Blue** Shirt sleeves and shirt back (lighter)

Stitches, continued

13. **Herringbone stitch**, 4 strands
    Herringbone row
14. **Back stitch**, strands by part on page 2
    Seed row, hood louvers, exhaust pipe, tire lugs, straw hat
15. **Outline stitch**, 2 strands
    Poppy stems
16. **Couching**, 6 strands
    Couched row
17. **French knot**, strands by part on page 2, two wraps
    Seed knots, poppies, poppy hearts, wheel knots
18. **Woven wheel stitch**, 4 strands
    Poppies

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 3 to a sunny window or lay it on a light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a sharp pencil or a water-soluble pen.
2. **Fabric you cannot see through**
   Lay dressmaker's carbon paper colored side down on the fabric with page 3 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on: the lines stay**
   Go over the lines of page 4, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron, as the pen's packet says.

Pages 3 and 4 are the pattern at actual size. Print them at 100% with scaling turned off. Then put the fabric in the hoop: inner ring under, drawing up, tight as a drum.

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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

Straight stitch. 3 strands: sun rays; 2 strands: poplar trunks, poppy stems.
Stem stitch. 5 strands: exhaust pipe; 4 strands: steering wheel; 3 or 4 strands: hill line; 3 strands: rim; 2 strands: far hills, seedling stems, cloud; 1 strand: poplars.
Running stitch. 6 strands: running stitch row; 2 strands: furrow lines, cloud; 1 strand: far hills.
Back stitch. 4 strands: seed row, exhaust pipe; 3 strands: tire lugs; 2 strands: hood louvers, straw hat.
French knot. 3 strands: poppies; 2 strands: poppy hearts, wheel knots; 1 or 2 strands: seed knots.

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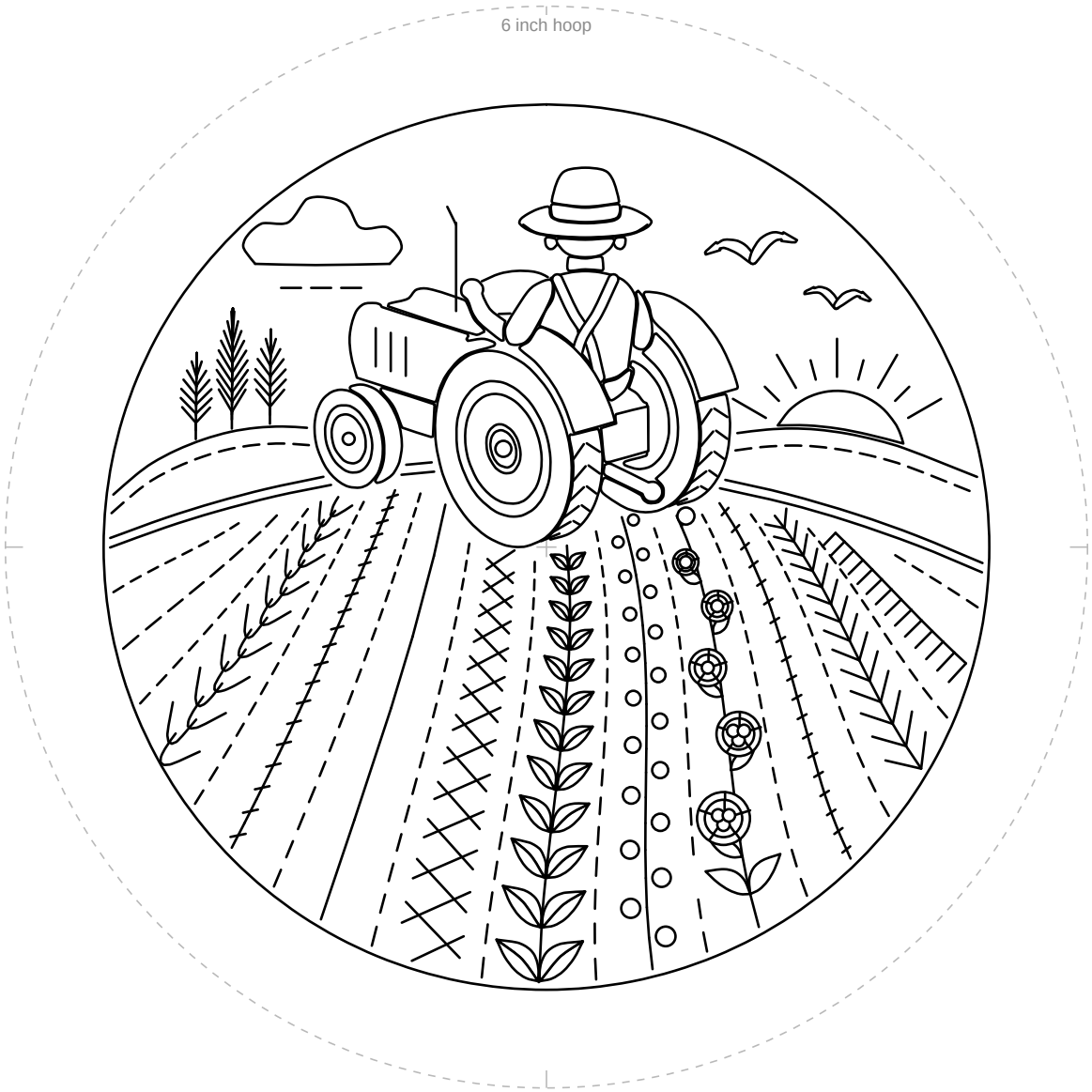
Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

Check square: 1 inch (25.4 mm) on each side.
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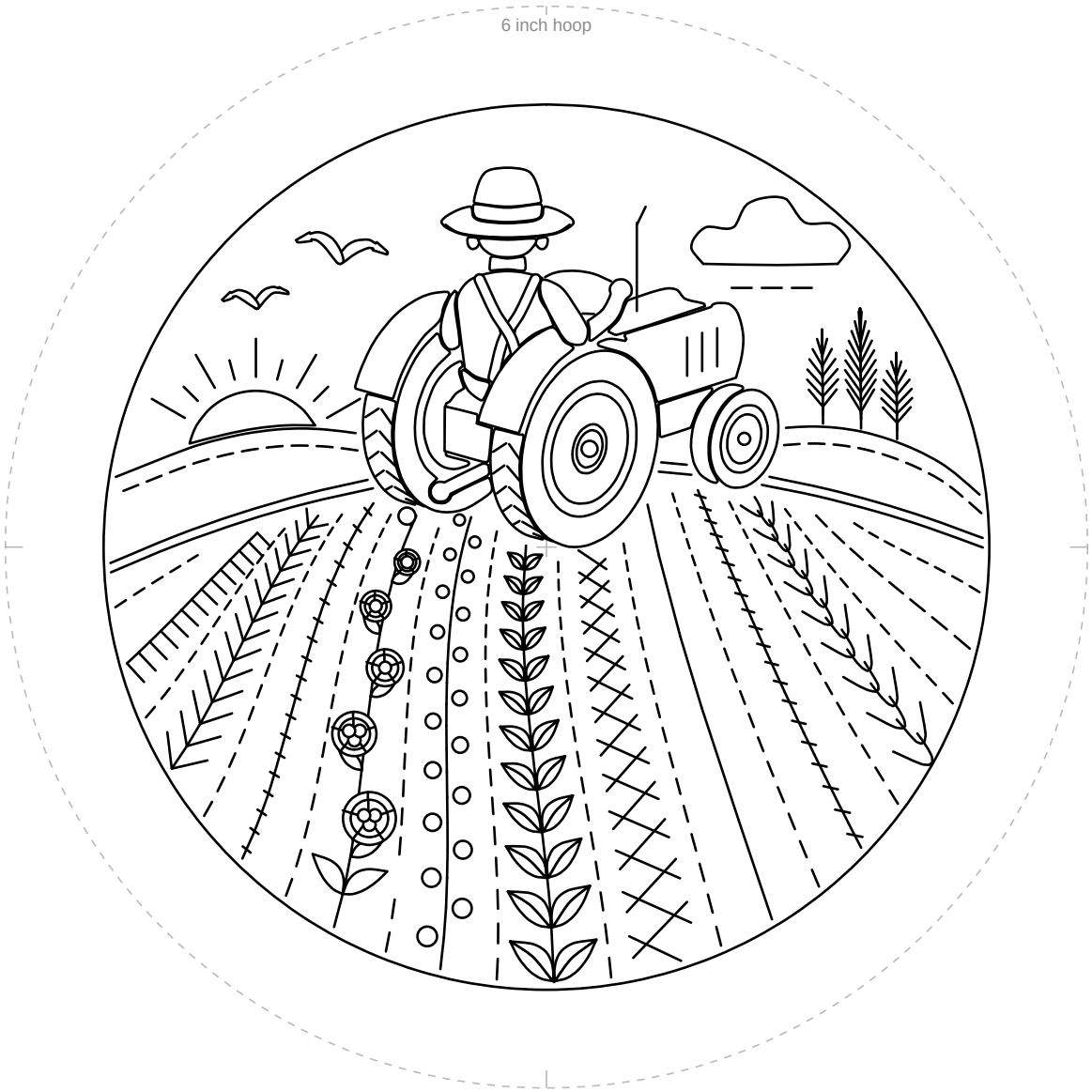
Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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