Treasure chest, gold sequins and pearls

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4 × 4.2 in (10.2 × 10.7 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: pale blue cotton or linen.

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.

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.

Buy: 24 colors of floss (page 2), one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), an embroidery needle size 9, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of pale blue cotton or linen, a water-soluble pen.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Lid lining, front planks, sand, starfish, crab claws, crab shell
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Lid end, lid side, lid straps, lid edge, lid bands, hasp, back rim, box inside, coin shadows, coins, sequins, end planks, wood knots, box rim, straps, corner bands, lock plate, keyhole, handle, teal gem, ruby, amethyst, sand grains, heap pearls, pearl highlights, starfish shadow, string of pearls, crab legs, crab arms, eye stalks, crab eyes, coin hat
3. **Split stitch**
   2 strands: strap light, sequin rims, lines of the coins, lines of the coin hat
   1 strand: coin rims, crab edges (color 18)
4. **Stem stitch**
   1 strand: edges of the lid side, crab edges (color 18)
   3 strands: lid outline, plank seams, crab smile
   2 strands: edges of the lock plate, edges of the teal gem, edges of the ruby, edges of the amethyst
5. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Lines of the wood knots, lines of the teal gem, lines of the ruby, lines of the amethyst
6. **Straight stitch**
   2 strands: gem highlights
   1 strand: eye highlight
7. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Coins, sequins, handle, heap pearls, string of pearls, crab eyes, coin hat
8. **French knot**, two wraps
   2 strands: sequin beads, strap studs, knots of the handle, knots of the sand grains, knots of the crab legs
   1 strand: starfish knots

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

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6 inch hoop

A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



1	DMC 898 Very Dark Coffee Brown	9	DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz	17	DMC 3865 Winter White
2	DMC 154 Very Dark Grape	10	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	18	DMC 498 Dark Red
3	DMC 3834 Dark Grape	11	DMC 783 Medium Topaz	19	DMC 351 Coral
4	DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray	12	DMC 3822 Light Straw	20	DMC 349 Dark Coral
5	DMC 318 Light Steel Gray	13	DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow	21	DMC 3042 Light Antique Violet
6	DMC 435 Very Light Brown	14	DMC 3808 Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	22	DMC 738 Very Light Tan
7	DMC 3371 Black Brown	15	DMC 3810 Dark Turquoise	23	DMC 437 Light Tan
8	DMC 433 Medium Brown	16	DMC 3811 Very Light Turquoise	24	DMC 712 Cream

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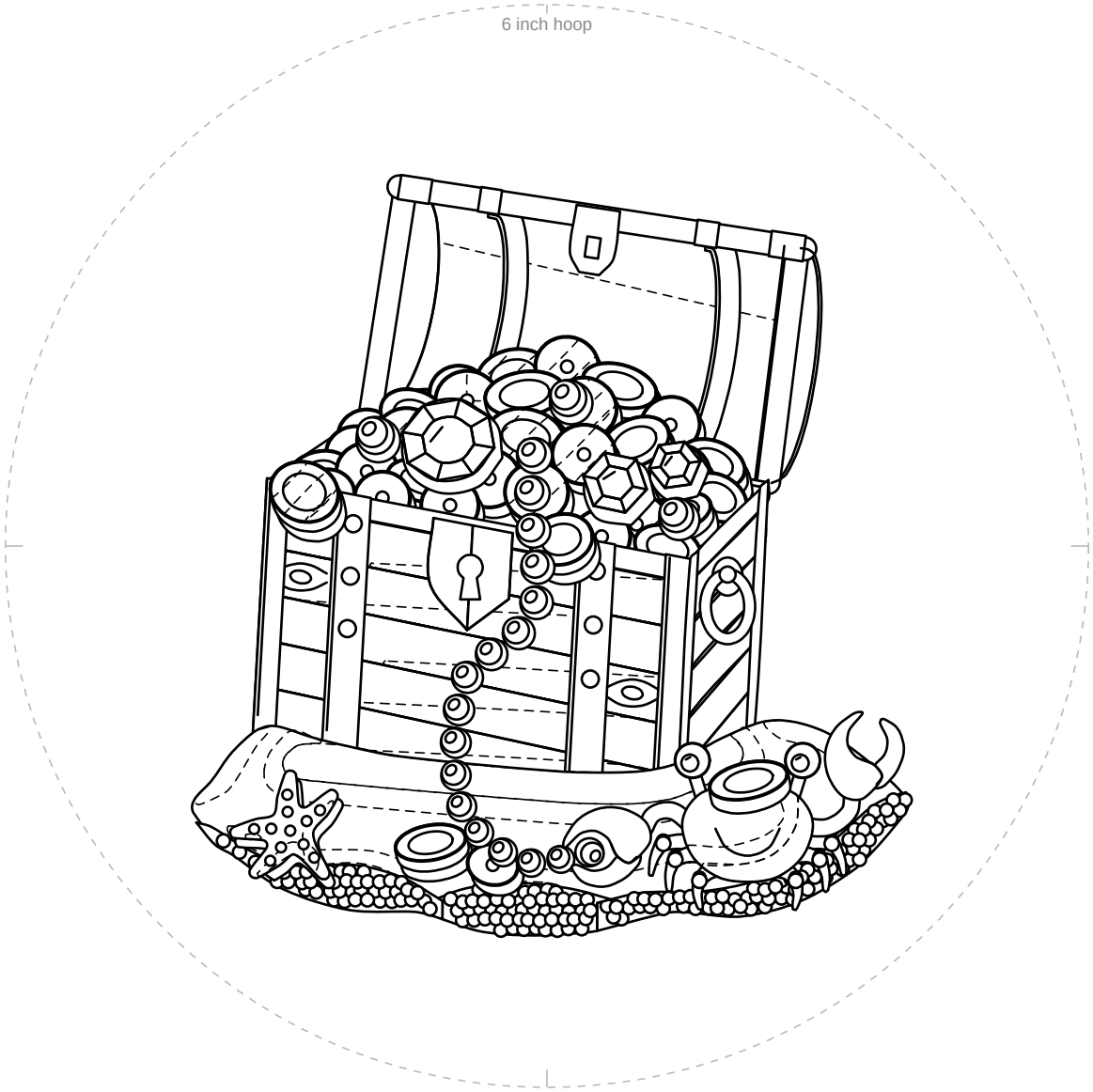
6 inch hoop

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.



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