Under the sea sampler bookmark

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 1.4 × 4.7 in (3.6 × 11.9 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, loops and knots.

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Sun, pennant, mainsail, jib, hull, fish heads, jellyfish heart, seahorse, seahorse head, branch coral, anchor
2. **Buttonhole stitch**, 2 strands
   Scallop coral
3. **Chain stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Frame, ledge, tentacles
4. **Straight stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Sun rays, bell lights, seahorse rings
5. **Fly stitch**, 2 strands
   Gulls, sand
6. **Running stitch**, 3 strands
   Ripples
7. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Mast, jellyfish dome, anchor line

Floss

- **1 DMC 598 Light Turquoise**
  Frame and shoal (lightest), ripples, fish tails and fish heads (light), bubbles
- **2 DMC 807 Peacock Blue**
  Shoal (middle light), frame (light), ripples, fish tails and fish heads (middle)
- **3 DMC 3765 Very Dark Peacock Blue**
  Kelp and currents (lighter), shoal (middle dark), frame (middle), ripples (dark), gulls
- **4 DMC 312 Very Dark Baby Blue**
  Kelp and currents (darker), shoal (darkest), frame (dark), ledge
- **5 DMC 939 Very Dark Navy Blue**
  Anchor line, anchor, fish eyes, mast and seahorse eye, frame (darkest)
- **6 DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Sand, seahorse, seahorse head, sun and sun rays
- **7 DMC 349 Dark Coral**
  Jellyfish bell, branch coral, hull, mainsail and seahorse rings and 9 more parts
- **8 DMC 352 Light Coral**
  Scallop coral, jellyfish frill and bell lights, shoal (light) and 4 more parts

Stitches, continued

8. **Herringbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Shoal
9. **Back stitch**, 2 strands
   Currents, anchor
10. **Feather stitch**, 3 strands
    Kelp
11. **Lazy daisy stitch**, strands by part on page 2
    Fish tails, jellyfish bell, jellyfish frill, seahorse fin, seahorse crown
12. **French knot**, strands by part on page 2, two wraps
    Fish eyes, seahorse eye, bubbles, branch tips, coral hearts

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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How to read it

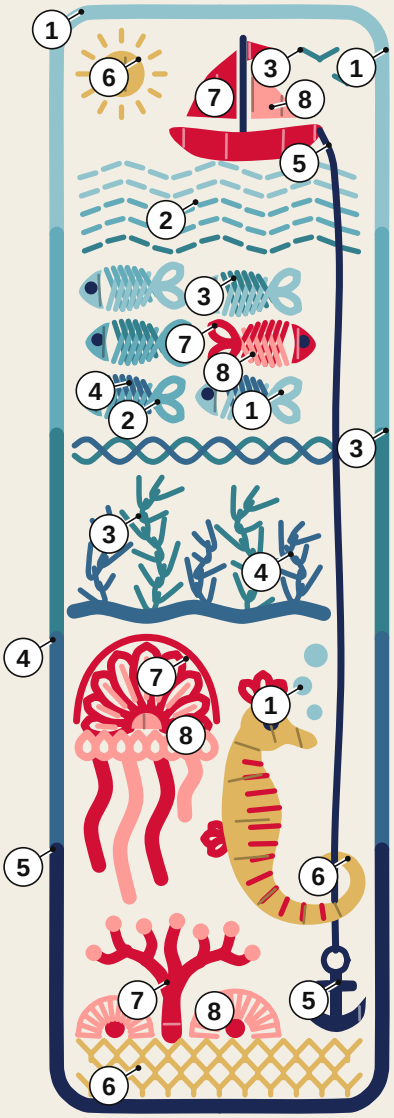
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

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. Each small loop is one lazy daisy: come up at its point.

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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2	DMC 807 Peacock Blue	**5**	DMC 939 Very Dark Navy Blue	**8**	DMC 352 Light Coral
3	DMC 3765 Very Dark Peacock Blue	**6**	DMC 3820 Dark Straw		

How many strands

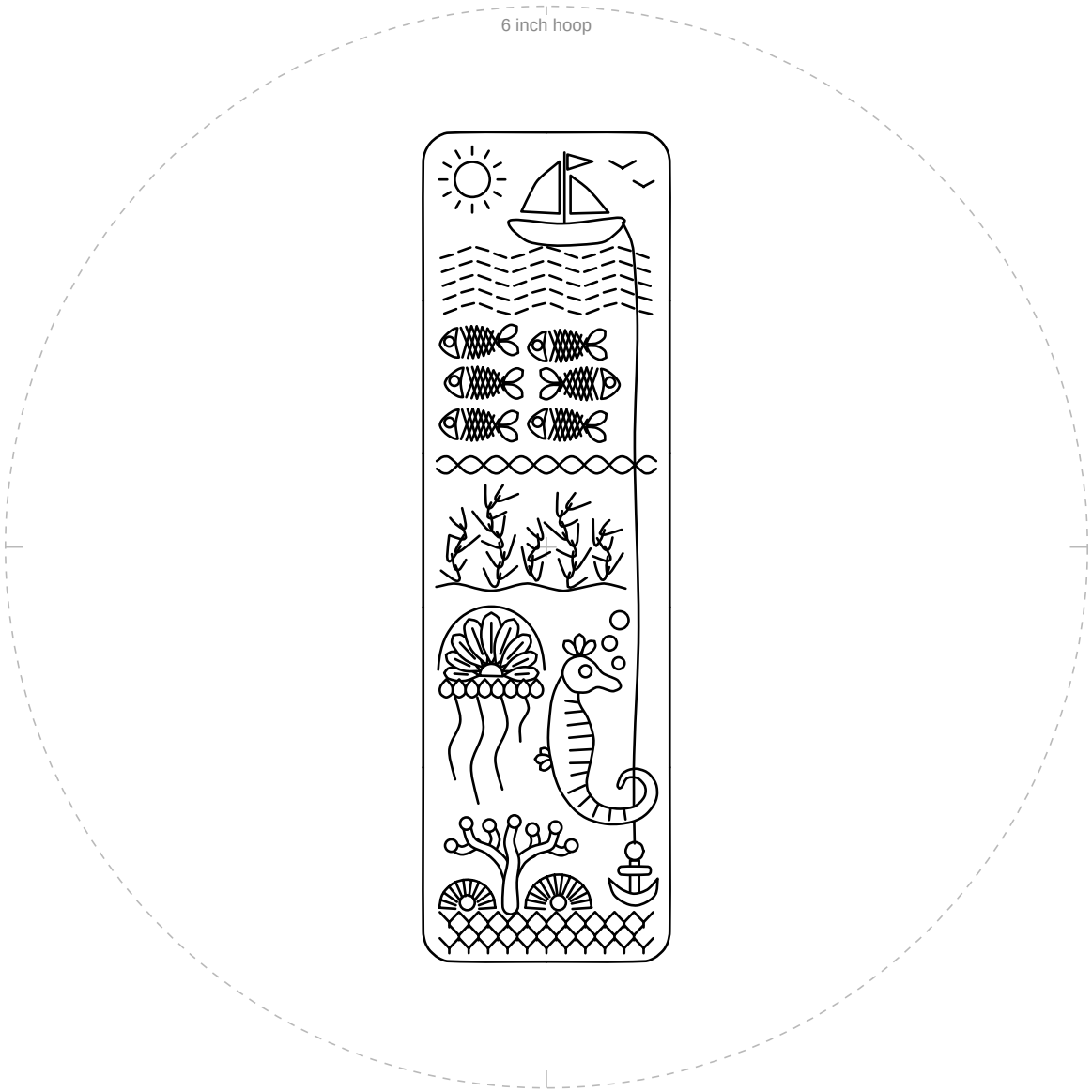
Chain stitch. 3 strands: frame, ledge; 2 strands: tentacles.
Straight stitch. 3 strands: bell lights; 2 strands: sun rays; 1 strand: seahorse rings.
Lazy daisy stitch. 3 strands: fish tails, jellyfish bell; 2 strands: jellyfish frill, seahorse fin, seahorse crown.
French knot. 2 strands: seahorse eye, bubbles, branch tips, coral hearts; 1 strand: fish eyes.

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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

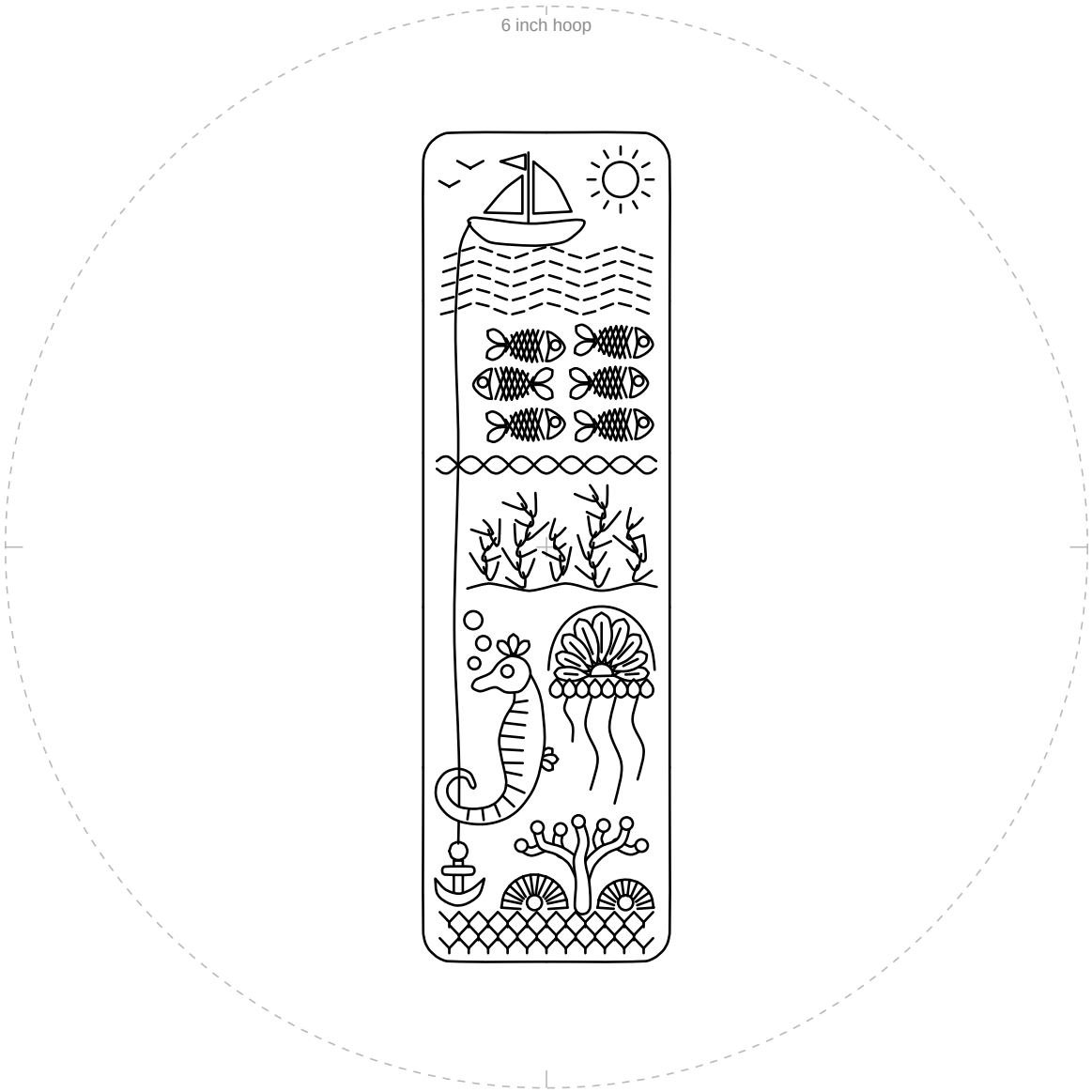
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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