Watercolor red roses

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.3 × 4.1 in (10.9 × 10.4 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.

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Stems, thorns, rolled lips, rose hips
2. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Leaves, open rose petals, half open rose petals, bud petals, fallen petal
3. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Sepals
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Stems, leaf stalks, leaf veins, outline leaves
5. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Outline leaves

Floss

- **1 DMC 3052 Medium Green Gray**
  Leaves (shade 5 of 9), stems (middle), leaf stalks
- **2 DMC 520 Dark Fern Green**
  Leaves (shade 3 of 9), leaf veins (light), stems and sepals (dark) and 1 more part
- **3 DMC 3013 Light Khaki Green**
  Leaves (shade 7 of 9), stems (light)
- **4 DMC 815 Medium Garnet**
  Open rose petals and half open rose petals (shade 1 of 7) and 5 more parts
- **5 DMC 522 Fern Green**
  Leaves (shade 6 of 9), sepals (middle), rose hips
- **6 DMC 524 Very Light Fern Green**
  Leaves (shade 8 of 9), sepals (light)
- **7 DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue**
  Leaves (shade 2 of 9), leaf veins (middle)
- **8 DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue**
  Leaves (shade 4 of 9), outline leaves (lighter)
- **9 DMC 3752 Very Light Antique Blue**
  Leaves (shade 9 of 9)
- **10 DMC 902 Very Dark Garnet**
  Open rose petals and half open rose petals (shade 2 of 7) and 2 more parts
- **11 DMC 321 Red**
  Open rose petals and half open rose petals (shade 3 of 7) and 3 more parts
- **12 DMC 3705 Dark Melon**
  Open rose petals and half open rose petals (shade 4 of 7) and 3 more parts
- **13 DMC 352 Light Coral**
  Open rose petals (shade 5 of 7), rolled lips (middle) and 3 more parts
- **14 DMC 353 Peach**
  Rolled lips (light), open rose petals (shade 6 of 7) and 3 more parts
- **15 DMC 818 Baby Pink**
  Rolled lips (lightest), open rose petals (shade 7 of 7) and 2 more parts

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.

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

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

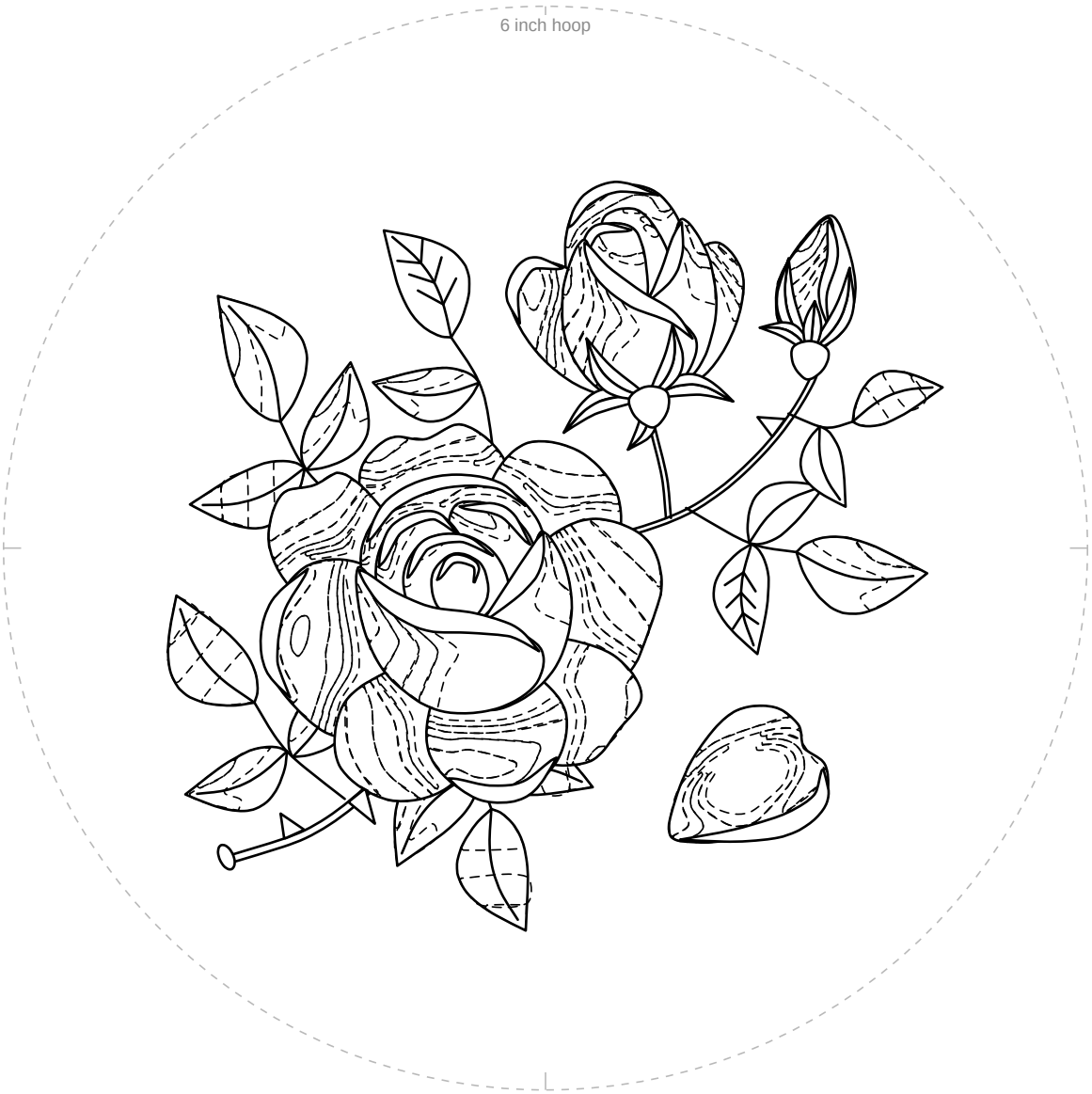
Stem stitch. 2 to 4 strands: stems; 3 strands: leaf stalks; 1 strand: leaf veins, outline leaves.

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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

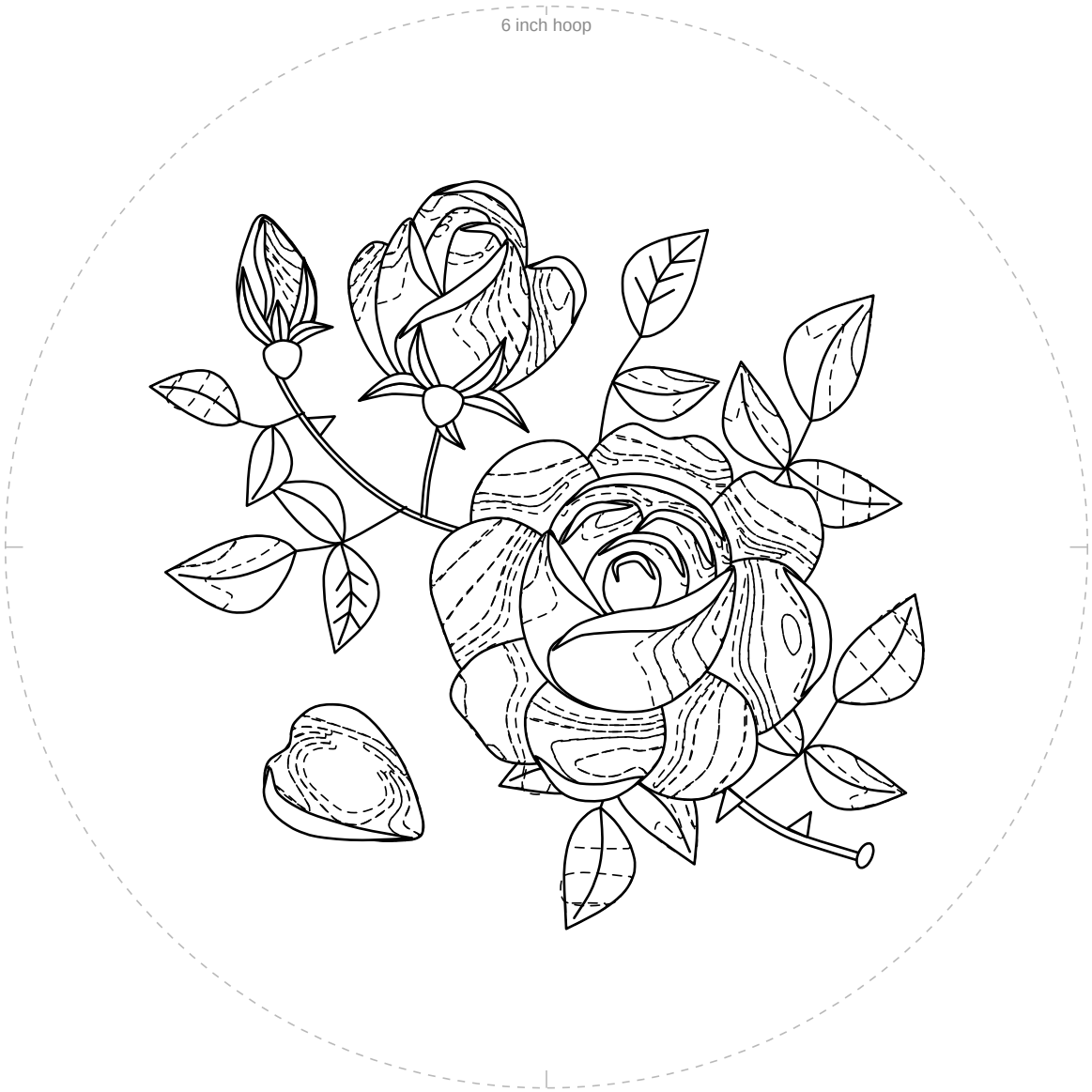
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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