Western star patch with cactus flowers

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 5 × 5 in (12.7 × 12.7 cm).



Which color goes where.

Stitches

- **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
  Little stars, star rim, star facets, cactus flowers, flower cups, cactus fruit, patch edge, wren tail, wren bill, wren eye
- **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
  Desert ground, cactus pads, barrel cactus, wren back, wren breast, wren wing, wren brow
- **Split stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Star folds, star ridges, petal edges, flower cups, cactus outline, wren outline, wren bars
- **Straight stitch**, 1 to 2 strands
  Spines, fruit tops, wren bars, wren legs, eye light
- **French knot**, 1 to 2 strands, two wraps
  Spine dots, flower hearts
- **Whipped back stitch**, 3 strands
  Lasso cord
- **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
  Wren legs

In a 6 inch hoop the French knots are drawn smaller than about 2 mm (a little over 1/16 in). Use one strand of floss for them there, or choose a larger hoop.

Floss

- **DMC 3822 Light Straw**
  Star rim (lighter), flower hearts and little stars
- **DMC 920 Medium Copper** Desert ground (dark), patch edge
- **DMC 918 Dark Red Copper**
  Desert ground (darkest), lasso cord (darker)
- **DMC 922 Light Copper** Desert ground (light)
- **DMC 437 Light Tan**
  Desert ground (lightest), lasso cord (lighter), wren breast (dark) and 2 more parts
- **DMC 3820 Dark Straw** Star facets (lighter), spine dots
- **DMC 435 Very Light Brown**
  Star rim (darker), wren back (light), wren breast (darkest) and 3 more parts
- **DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz** Star facets (darker)
- **DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown**
  Wren back (dark), star folds and wren outline, wren tail (darker) and 3 more parts
- **DMC 712 Cream**
  Spines, star ridges, wren brow and eye light, wren breast (lightest)
- **DMC 600 Very Dark Cranberry**
  Petal edges, cactus flowers (darkest), cactus outline (lighter), cactus fruit (darker)
- **DMC 601 Dark Cranberry**
  Cactus flowers (dark), cactus fruit (lighter)
- **DMC 603 Cranberry** Cactus flowers (light)
- **DMC 604 Light Cranberry** Cactus flowers (lightest)
- **DMC 520 Dark Fern Green**
  Cactus outline and flower cups (darker), cactus pads (darkest)
- **DMC 3053 Green Gray**
  Cactus pads (light), barrel cactus (middle), flower cups (lighter), fruit tops
- **DMC 3052 Medium Green Gray**
  Cactus pads and barrel cactus (dark)
- **DMC 524 Very Light Fern Green**
  Cactus pads (lightest), barrel cactus (light)
- **DMC 433 Medium Brown**
  Wren tail (lighter), wren back and wren wing (middle)
- **DMC 738 Very Light Tan** Wren breast (light)
- **DMC 310 Black** Wren eye

Three ways to transfer the pattern

1. **Fabric you can see through**
   Tape page 2 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 2 on top, tape the layers and trace the lines firmly with a ballpoint pen.
3. **Iron-on**
   Go over the lines of page 3, the mirrored page, with an iron-on transfer pen, lay it ink side down on the fabric and press with a dry iron.

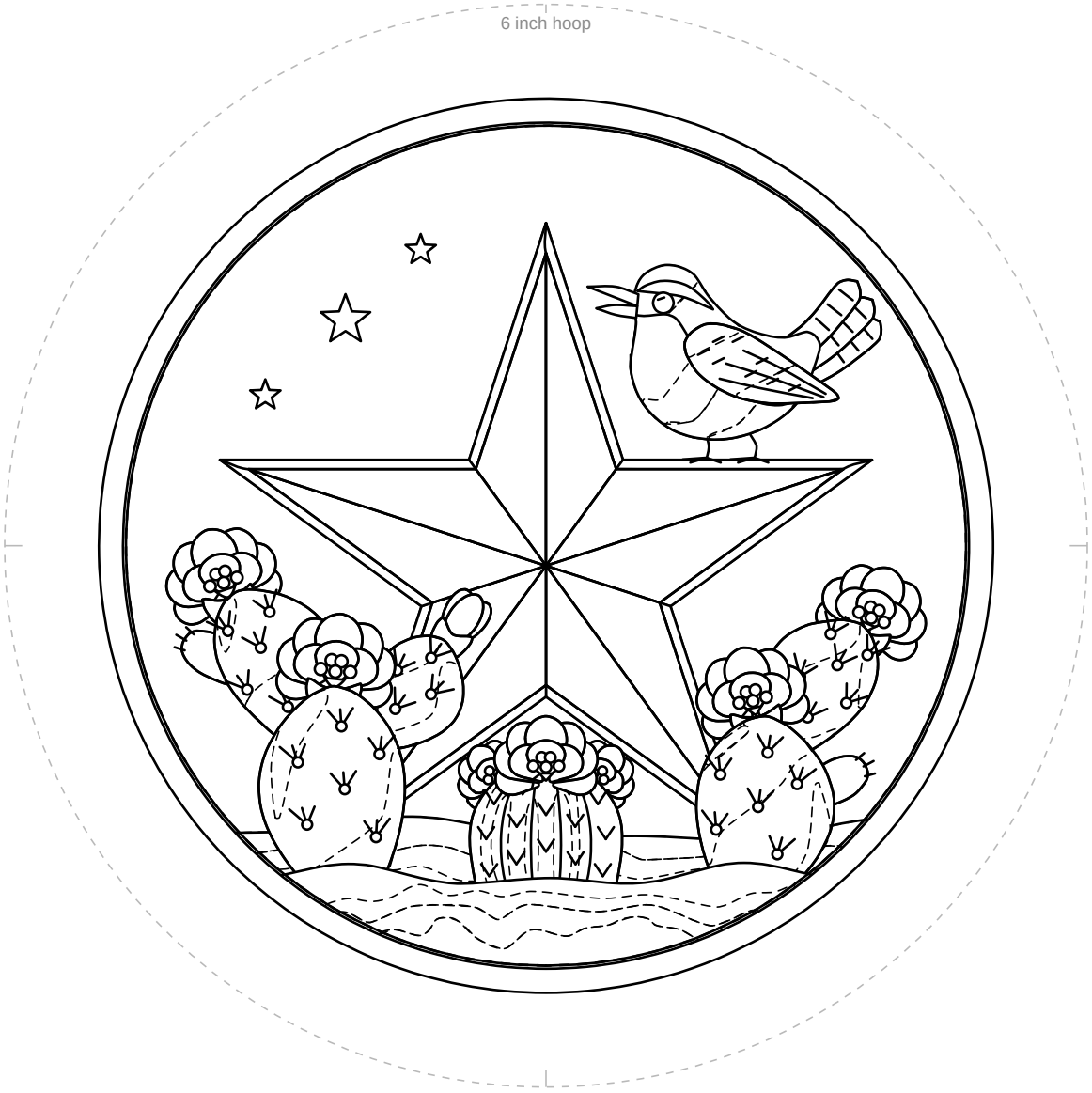
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6 inch hoop

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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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