Cat on a windowsill with daisies

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.1 × 4.5 in (10.4 × 11.4 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

24 colors of floss (page 2): 2 skeins of DMC 927; one of each other color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes).

A water-soluble pen, and small scissors.

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.

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.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand, colors 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24
   Sky, far hills, rolling hills, middle hills, meadow, path, sill (color 1), tail, tabby stripes, legs, body, chest, haunch, ears, inner ears, head, face, chin, muzzle, bow (color 19), jug (colors 10 and 24)



2. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 2, 4, 9, 11, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24
   Casements, window frame, sill (colors 4 and 11), collar, eye rims, eyes, pupils, nose, bow (color 18), jug handle, jug (color 24), daisy cups, daisy centers



3. **Fishbone stitch**
   2 strands, colors 7, 8
   Daisy leaves



4. **Split stitch**
   1 strand, colors 17, 18
   Toes, edges of the haunch, mouth, bow edge

5. **Stem stitch**, colors 1, 9, 11, 22
   2 strands: frame edge, daisy stems
   3 strands: sill edge
   1 strand: jug bands

6. **Straight stitch**, colors 16, 18, 20
   2 strands: eye highlights, whiskers, lines of the daisy petals
   1 strand: bow folds



7. **Lazy daisy stitch**
   2 strands, colors 16, 20
   Loops of the daisy petals



8. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps, colors 5, 6, 8, 21, 23
   Hedges, knots of the daisy centers



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

In a 6 inch hoop the shortest lazy daisy loops 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.

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



1	DMC 3753 Ultra Very Light Antique Bl...	9	DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green	17	DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray
2	DMC 3752 Very Light Antique Blue	10	DMC 738 Very Light Tan	18	DMC 3328 Dark Salmon
3	DMC 927 Light Gray Green	11	DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue	19	DMC 760 Salmon
4	DMC 932 Light Antique Blue	12	DMC 318 Light Steel Gray	20	DMC BLANC White
5	DMC 503 Medium Blue Green	13	DMC 413 Dark Pewter Gray	21	DMC 3820 Dark Straw
6	DMC 502 Blue Green	14	DMC 317 Pewter Gray	22	DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown
7	DMC 3364 Pine Green	15	DMC 415 Pearl Gray	23	DMC 434 Light Brown
8	DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green	16	DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray	24	DMC 436 Tan

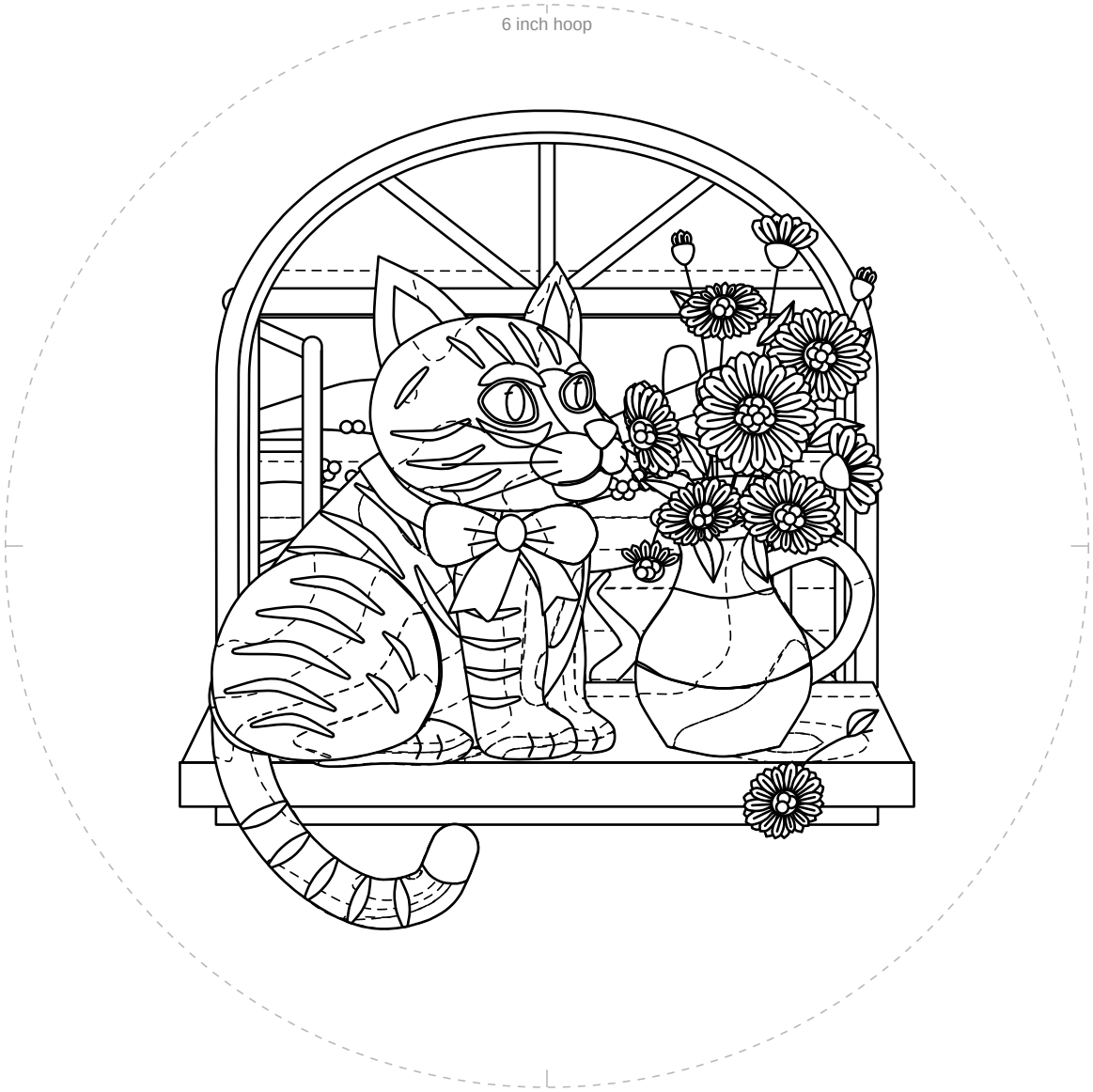
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Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot; a loop is one lazy daisy, begun at its point; a broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



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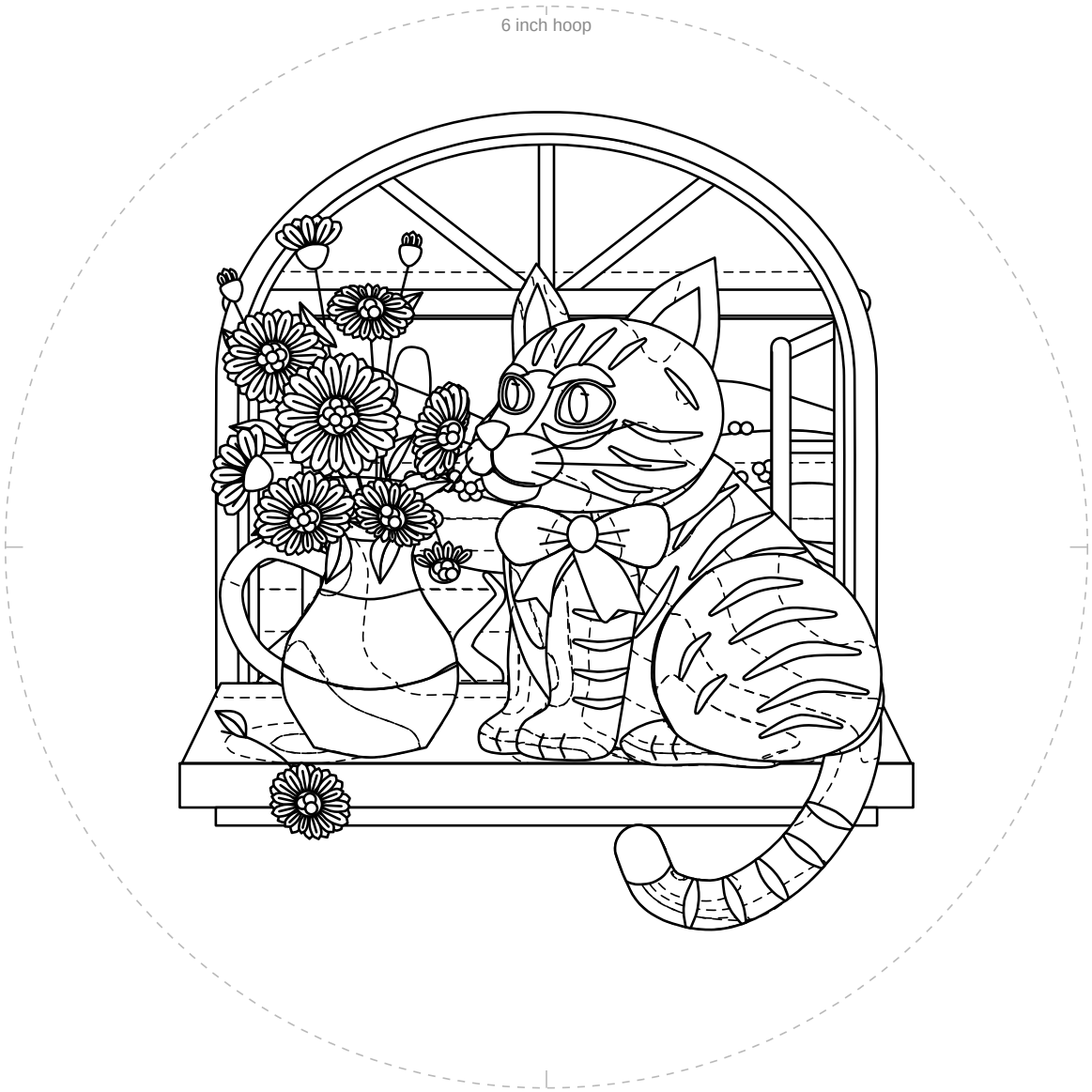
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