Winter wreath of poinsettias and holly

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.8 × 4.6 in (12.2 × 11.7 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Holly leaves (each half slanted to the center vein, in its own color), holly berries, poinsettia long bracts, poinsettia short bracts, poinsettia centers



2. **Stem stitch**, 2 or 3 strands
   Stems, stalks

3. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps
   Poinsettia center knots



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

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: 6 colors of floss (page 2), one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes), an embroidery needle size 7, a 6 inch (15 cm) hoop, a 9 inch (23 cm) square of white or light cotton or linen, a water-soluble pen.

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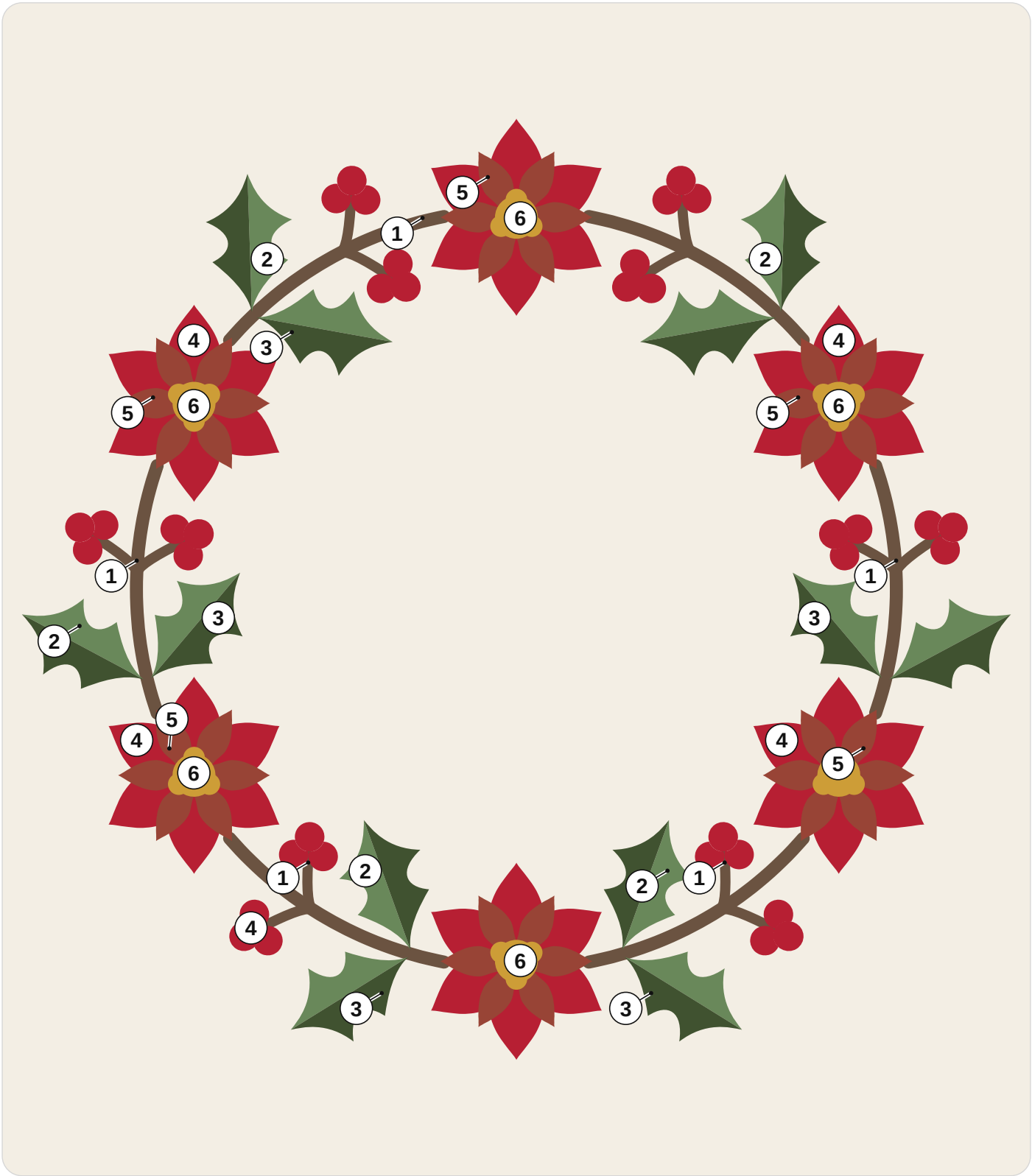

1 DMC 3781 Dark Mocha Brown	**3** DMC 986 Very Dark Forest Green	**5** DMC 355 Dark Terra Cotta
2 DMC 320 Medium Pistachio Green	**4** DMC 304 Medium Red	**6** DMC 3852 Very Dark Straw

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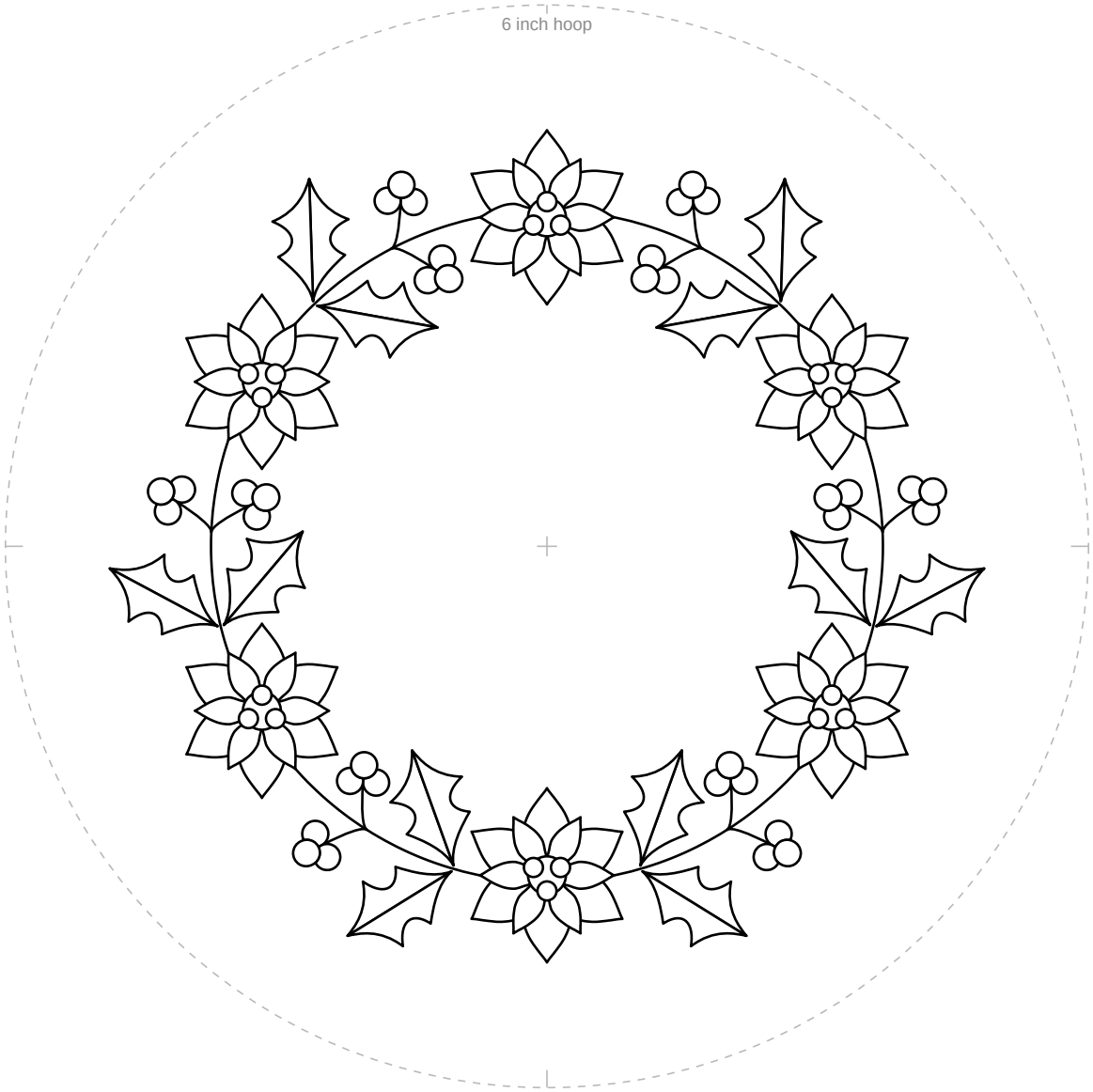
Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.
On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot.



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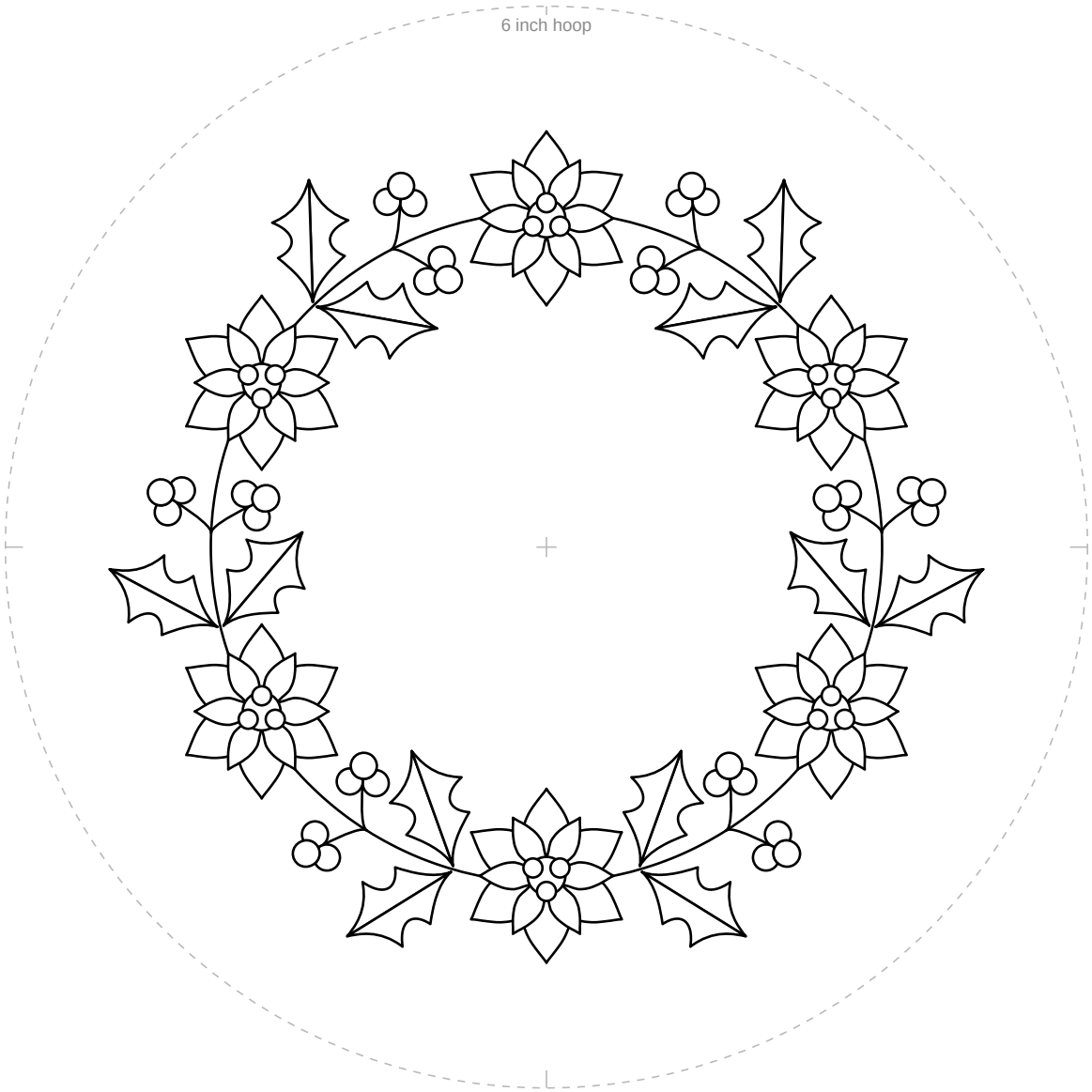
For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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