Star of David

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.2 × 4.8 in (10.7 × 12.2 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.

Embroidery needles, size 9, and size 5 for 4 strands.

21 colors of floss (page 2): one skein of each 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. **Trellis stitch**, 1 strand, color 1
   Heart trellis



2. **Fishbone stitch**
   2 strands, colors 16, 17
   Leaves



3. **Satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21
   Rosette center, outer petals, center petals, front petals, sepals



4. **Chain stitch**
   2 strands, colors 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10
   Blue ribbon, silver ribbon



5. **Stem stitch**, colors 2, 11, 13, 16
   2 strands: blue ribbon (color 2), silver ribbon (color 11)
   1 strand: rosette edges
   4 strands: bud stems

6. **Split stitch**, 1 strand, color 19
   Petal edges

7. **Padded satin stitch**
   2 strands, colors 12, 13, 14, 15
   Rosette



8. **French knot**
   2 strands, two wraps, color 15
   Rosette knots



Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the 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 798 Dark Delft Blue	8	DMC 318 Light Steel Gray	15	DMC 3822 Light Straw
2	DMC 820 Very Dark Royal Blue	9	DMC 415 Pearl Gray	16	DMC 3362 Dark Pine Green
3	DMC 797 Royal Blue	10	DMC 762 Very Light Pearl Gray	17	DMC 3364 Pine Green
4	DMC 799 Medium Delft Blue	11	DMC 413 Dark Pewter Gray	18	DMC 224 Very Light Shell Pink
5	DMC 800 Pale Delft Blue	12	DMC 783 Medium Topaz	19	DMC 3721 Dark Shell Pink
6	DMC 317 Pewter Gray	13	DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz	20	DMC 223 Light Shell Pink
7	DMC 414 Dark Steel Gray	14	DMC 3820 Dark Straw	21	DMC 225 Ultra Very Light Shell Pink

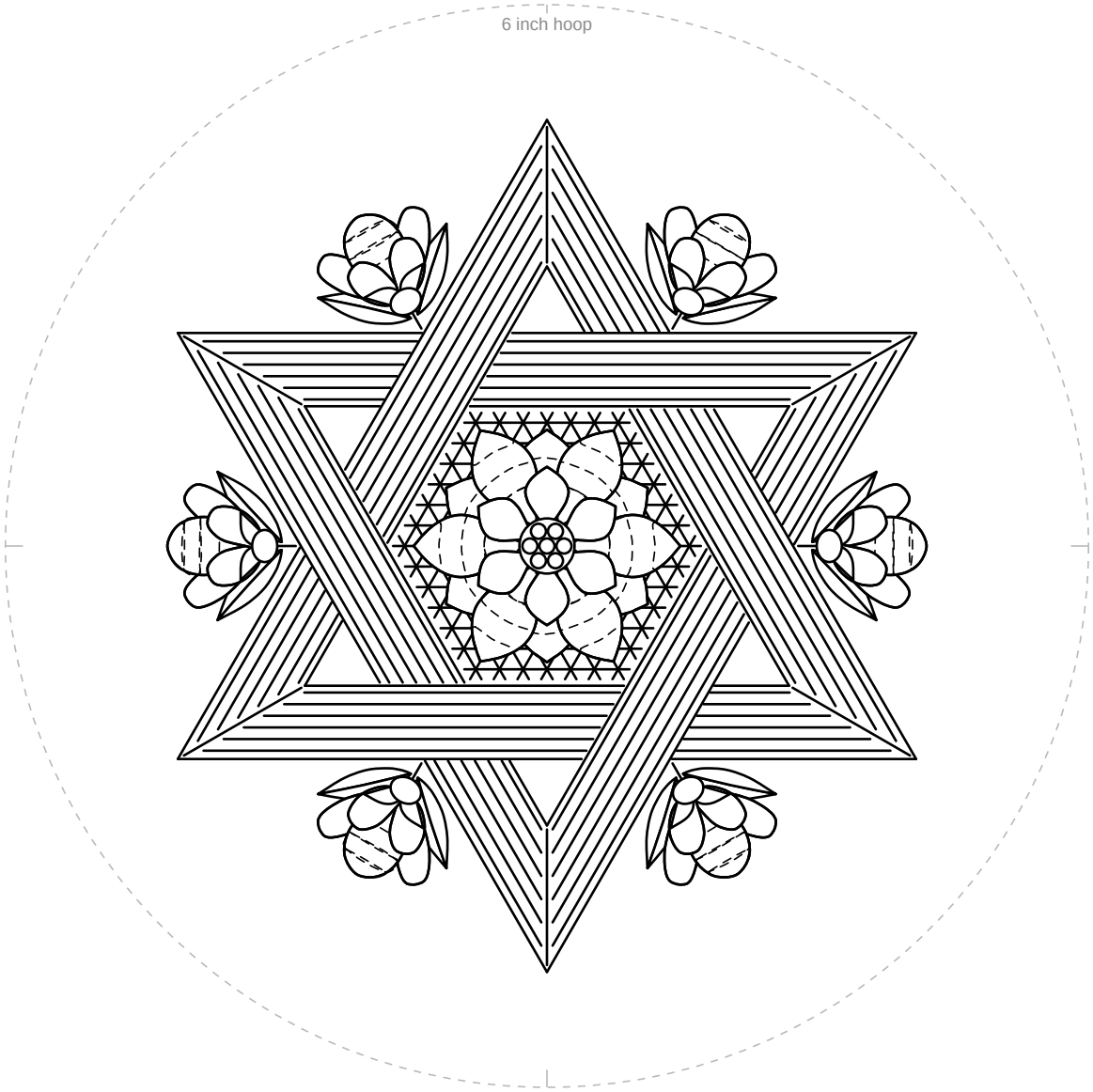
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Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

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



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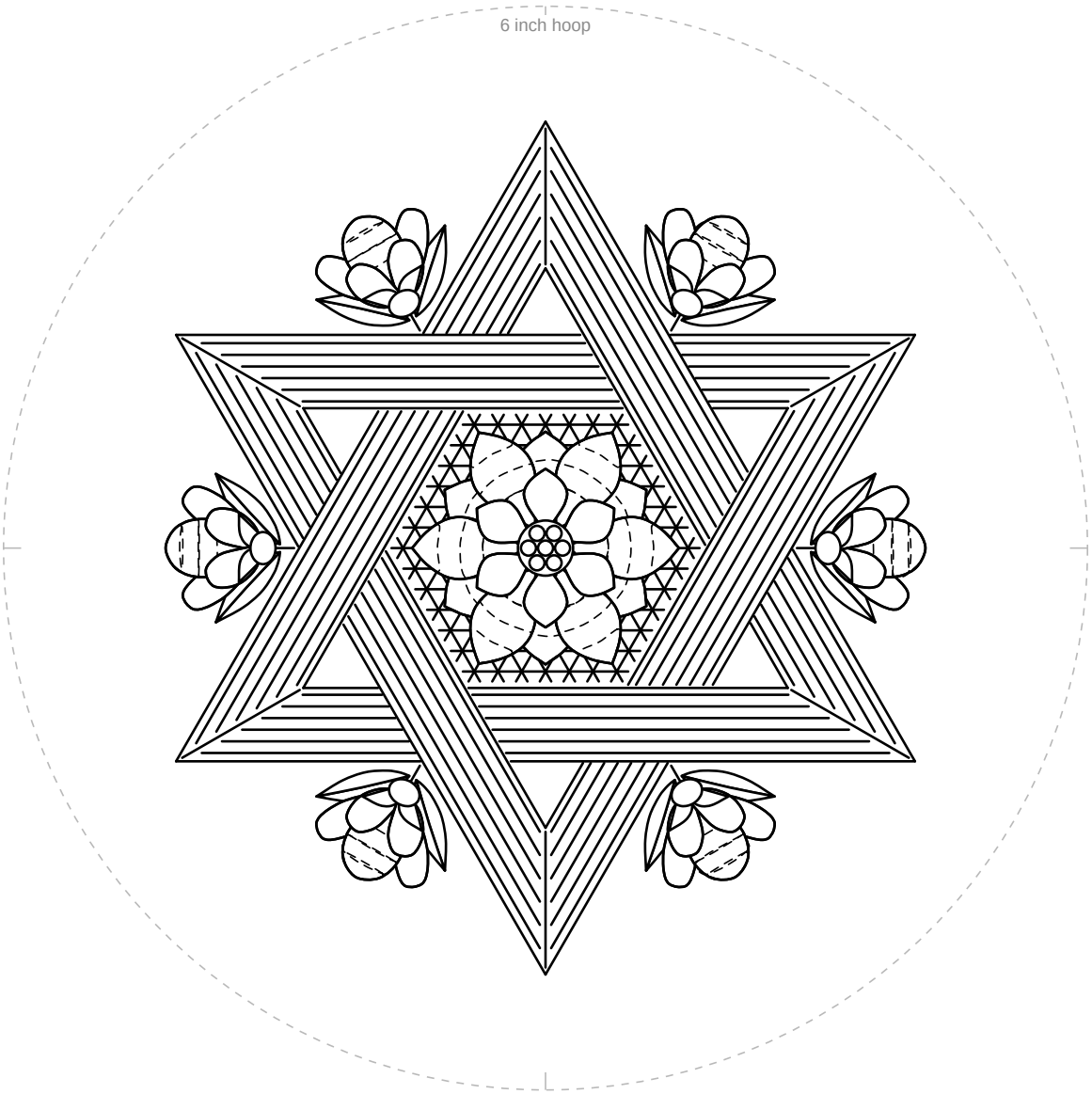
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