Yin yang cats, black and cream

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.4 × 4.4 in (11.2 × 11.2 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: sage green cotton or linen.

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.

Floss

- **1 DMC 738 Very Light Tan**
  Cream fur (middle), cream shoulder mark (dark)
- **2 DMC 3862 Dark Mocha Beige**
  Cream fur (darkest), fur folds (lighter), ear edges, toes and mouths (darker)
- **3 DMC 437 Light Tan**
  Cream fur (dark)
- **4 DMC 739 Ultra Very Light Tan**
  Cream fur (light), cream shoulder mark (middle)
- **5 DMC 712 Cream**
  Cream fur (lightest), cream shoulder mark (light), whiskers (lighter)
- **6 DMC 3799 Very Dark Pewter Gray**
  Black fur (dark), charcoal shoulder mark (middle)
- **7 DMC 310 Black**
  Black fur (darkest), fur folds and closed eyes (darker), charcoal shoulder mark (dark)
- **8 DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue**
  Black fur (middle), charcoal shoulder mark (light)
- **9 DMC 3778 Light Terra Cotta**
  Ear linings (darker)
- **10 DMC 758 Very Light Terra Cotta**
  Ear linings (lighter), noses
- **11 DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue**
  Black fur (light)
- **12 DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue**
  Ear edges and toes (lighter), black fur (lightest)
- **13 DMC 932 Light Antique Blue**
  Whiskers (darker), closed eyes and mouths (lighter)

Stitch in this order

Filled parts from the back of the picture forward, then lines.

1. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Cream fur, charcoal shoulder mark, ear linings, black fur, cream shoulder mark
2. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Noses
3. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Fur folds, toes, ear edges, mouths, whiskers
4. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Closed eyes

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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.



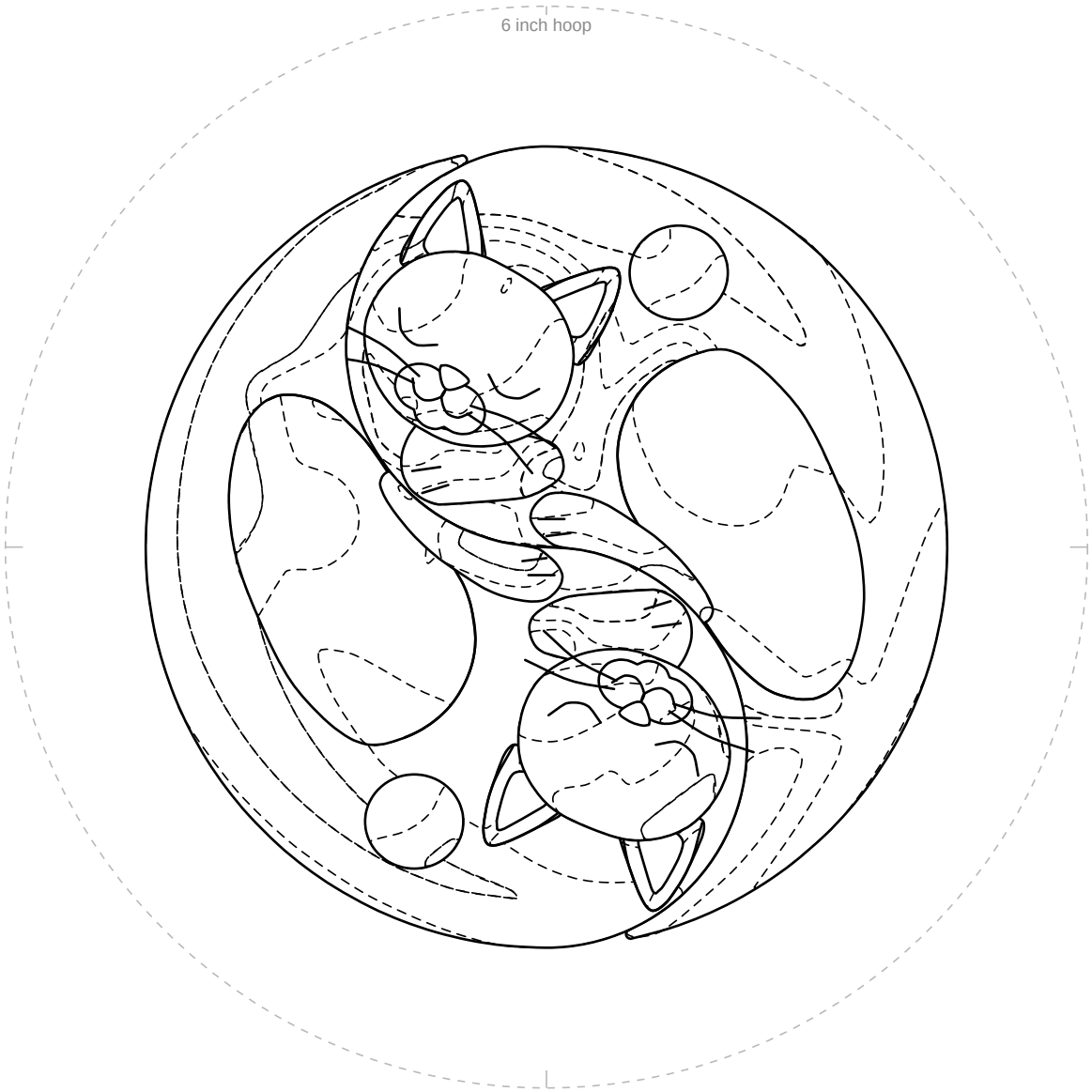
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Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

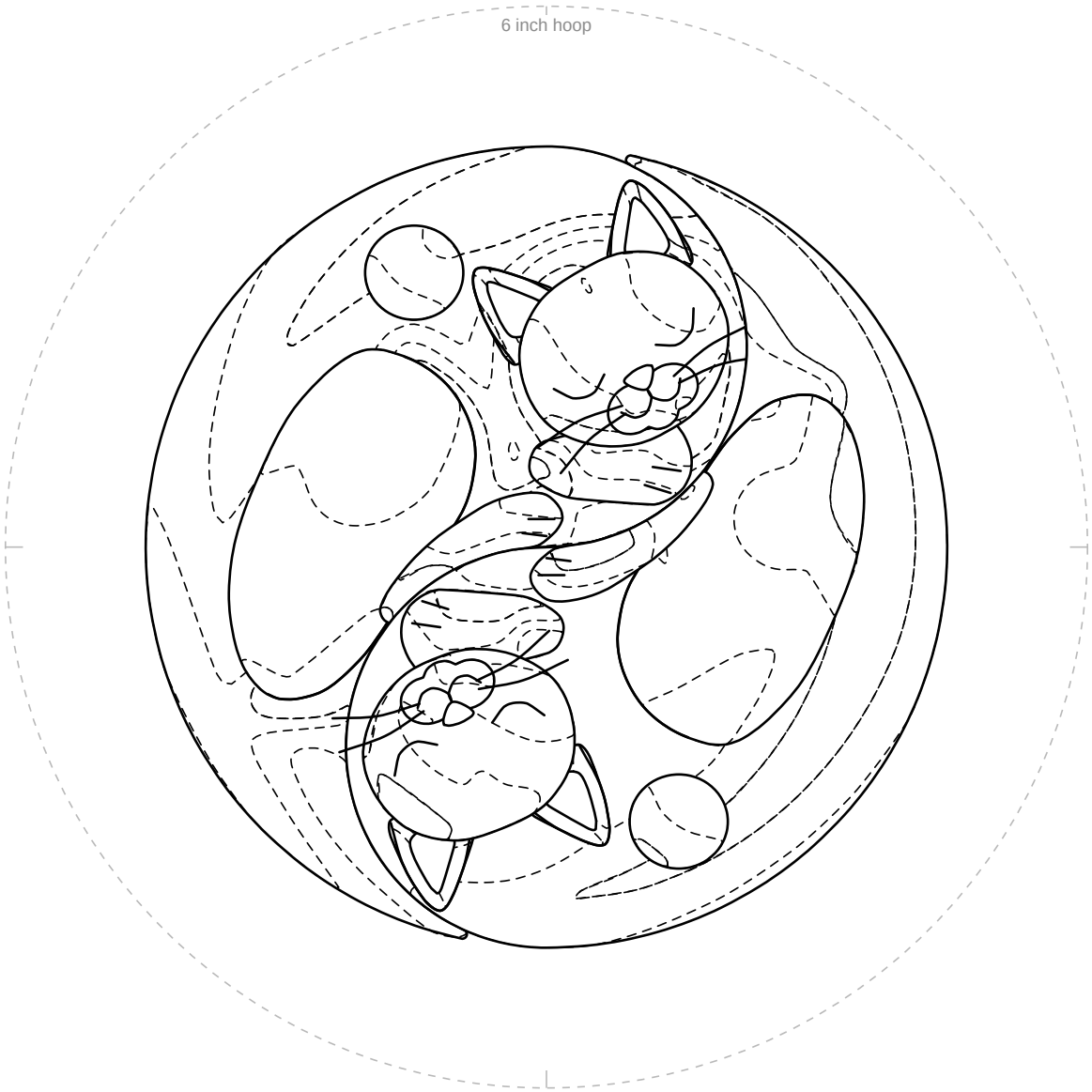
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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