



Sequim-Shiso Sister City Association
Friendship Garden
Children's Activity Book



Thank You!

Thank you for exploring the Sequim-Shisō Friendship Garden with us! This special garden is a symbol of peace, friendship, and community, and we're so glad you're a part of it.

As you enjoy the pages of this book, we hope you feel inspired by the beauty of nature and the power of friendship across cultures.

A big thank you to all the volunteers, gardeners, and friends who help care for the garden and make it such a beautiful place to visit.

We hope this activity book inspires you to keep learning, growing, and spreading kindness—just like the garden does every day.



With gratitude,

The Sequim-Shisō Sister City Association

Garden History

The Sequim Shiso Sister City Association was chartered in 1993, and just a year later, the idea of creating a Friendship Garden was born. In the summer of 1995, the association requested an area from the city to develop the garden. The remainder of 1995 and part of 1996 were spent thoughtfully planning the layout.

By 1996, site preparation and weekly garden work parties were underway. Many of the larger features, like the trellis bridges, were completed in 1997. A beautiful Japanese stone lantern, hand-sculpted in four sections from white stone by a member of the Yamasaki Association, was placed on the island on October 28th, 1998.

The area that would become the Friendship Garden was originally covered in blackberry bushes and cottonwood trees. During the transformation, 16 cherry trees were planted to add beauty and seasonal color. Over 2,000 volunteer hours were dedicated to clearing the land and bringing the garden to life, turning it into the peaceful space it is today.

Since then, Garden Club members have volunteered thousands of hours to maintain and care for the Friendship Garden. The Garden Club partners with the Sequim Sunrise Rotary Club, City of Sequim Public Works, and City of Sequim Parks Maintenance to ensure the garden remains a beautiful and tranquil space for the community to enjoy year after year.

Garden Facts & Features

Get ready to explore one of Sequim's most beautiful and peaceful places—the Sequim-Shisō Friendship Garden! This special garden was created to celebrate the friendship between Sequim, Washington and Shisō, Japan. It's filled with fun things to discover, from bridges and islands to flowers and trees that bloom in every season.

Inside the garden, you'll find:

- 🌸 A moon bridge and two wisteria-covered trellis bridges
- 🌸 A cozy viewing pavilion with picnic tables
- 🌸 Two unique entryway gates that welcome you in
- 🌸 A peaceful island with a handmade stone lantern
- 🌸 A large pond fed by Bell Creek, surrounded by native and Japanese plants

Did you know there are more than 25 different kinds of trees and hardwood plants here? You'll spot cherry blossoms, flowering dogwoods, a tulip tree and more! The garden also has colorful flowers like irises, daffodils, and hyacinths blooming throughout the year.

One very special feature about this garden: all of the flora are chosen in a special way! The plants are chosen to look nice together but also to make sure there is always something blooming. We hope you enjoy every plant you see!

How to Play Sudoku

Sudoku is like a number puzzle!

You use the numbers 1 to 9, and your goal is to fill in the blank spaces so that every number appears only once in each row, column, and little box!

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Rule 1: Every 3x3 Box Needs 1 to 9

Rule 2: Every Column
(top to bottom) Needs 1 to 9

Rule 3: Every Row (left to right) Needs 1 to 9

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Helpful Tips:

Use a pencil so you can erase mistakes!

Look for rows, columns, or boxes that already have lots of numbers.

Remember: Each number should only appear once in every row, column, and box

Sudoku

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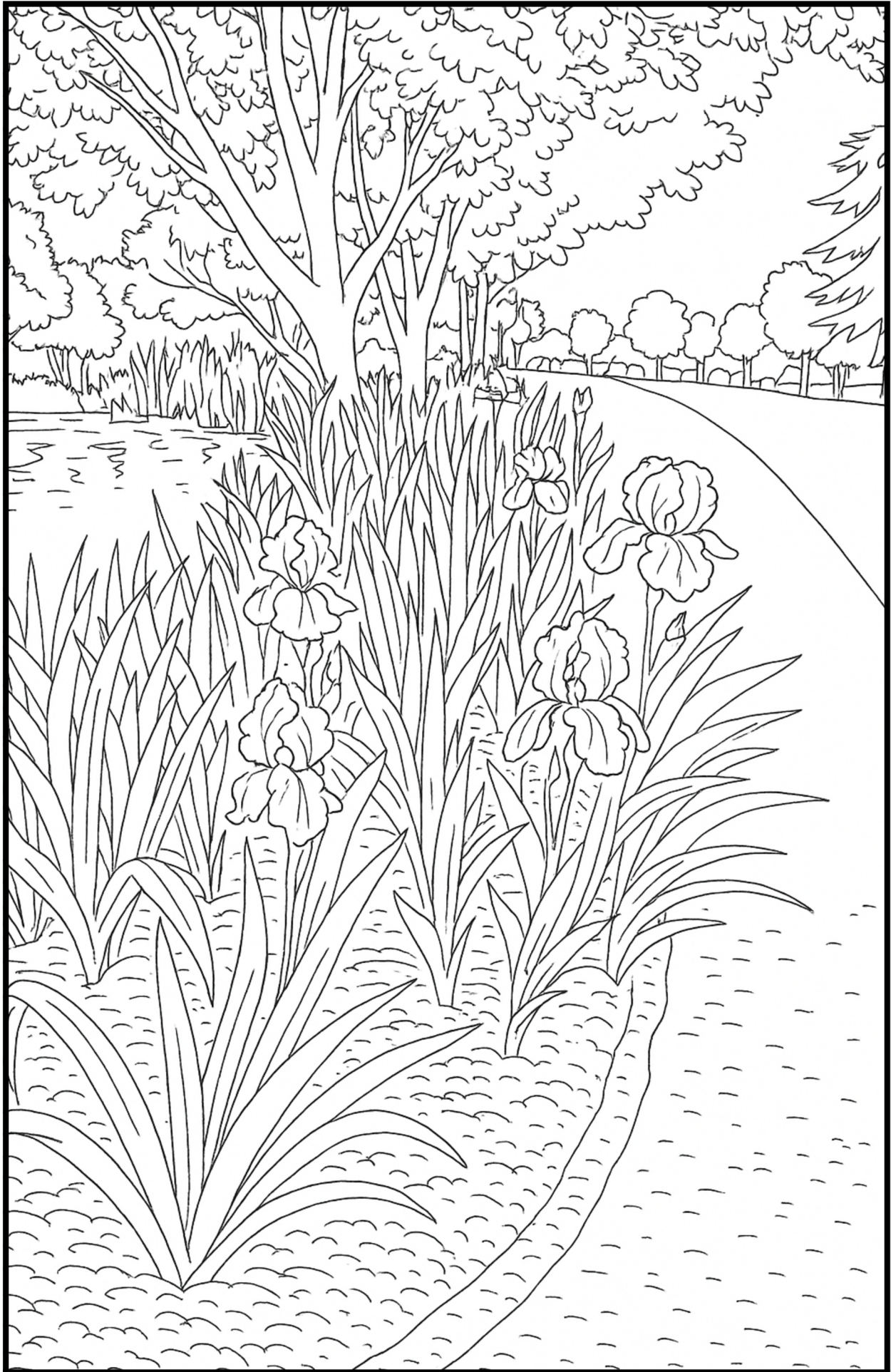
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Matching Game



Hyacinth

Aster

Chrysanthemum

Escallonia

Lily

Japanese Andromeda

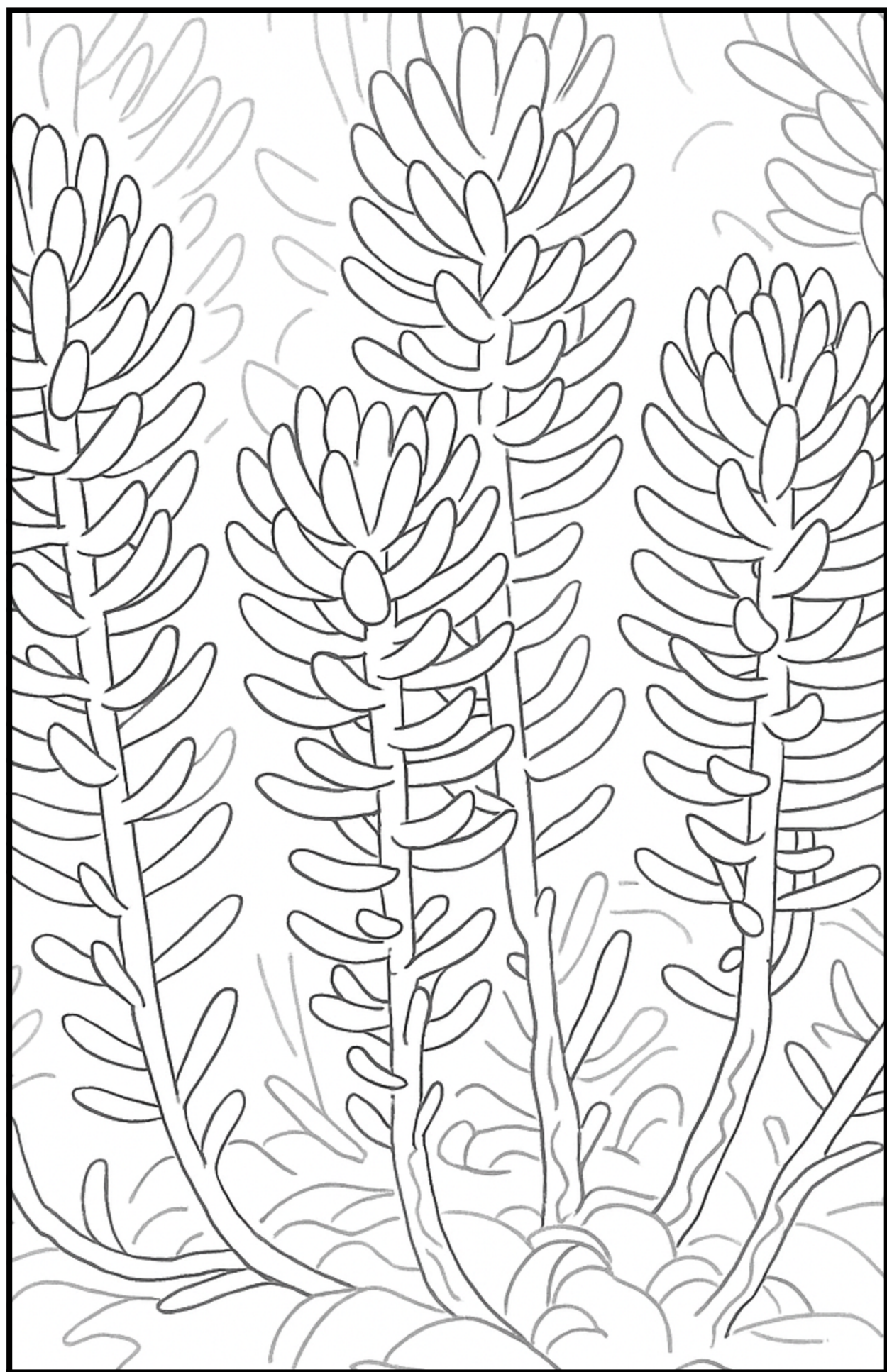
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Sweet Iris

Azalea

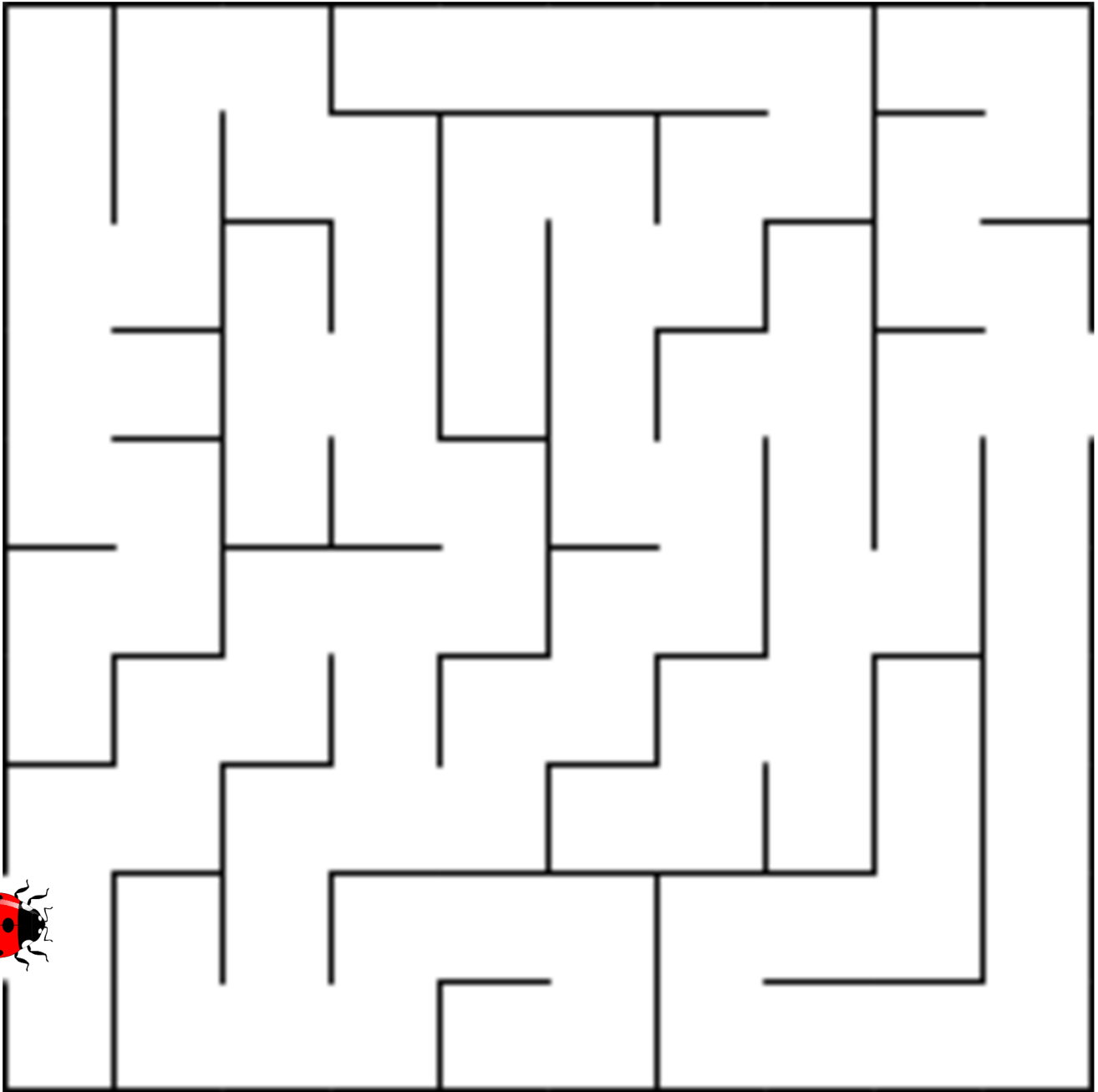
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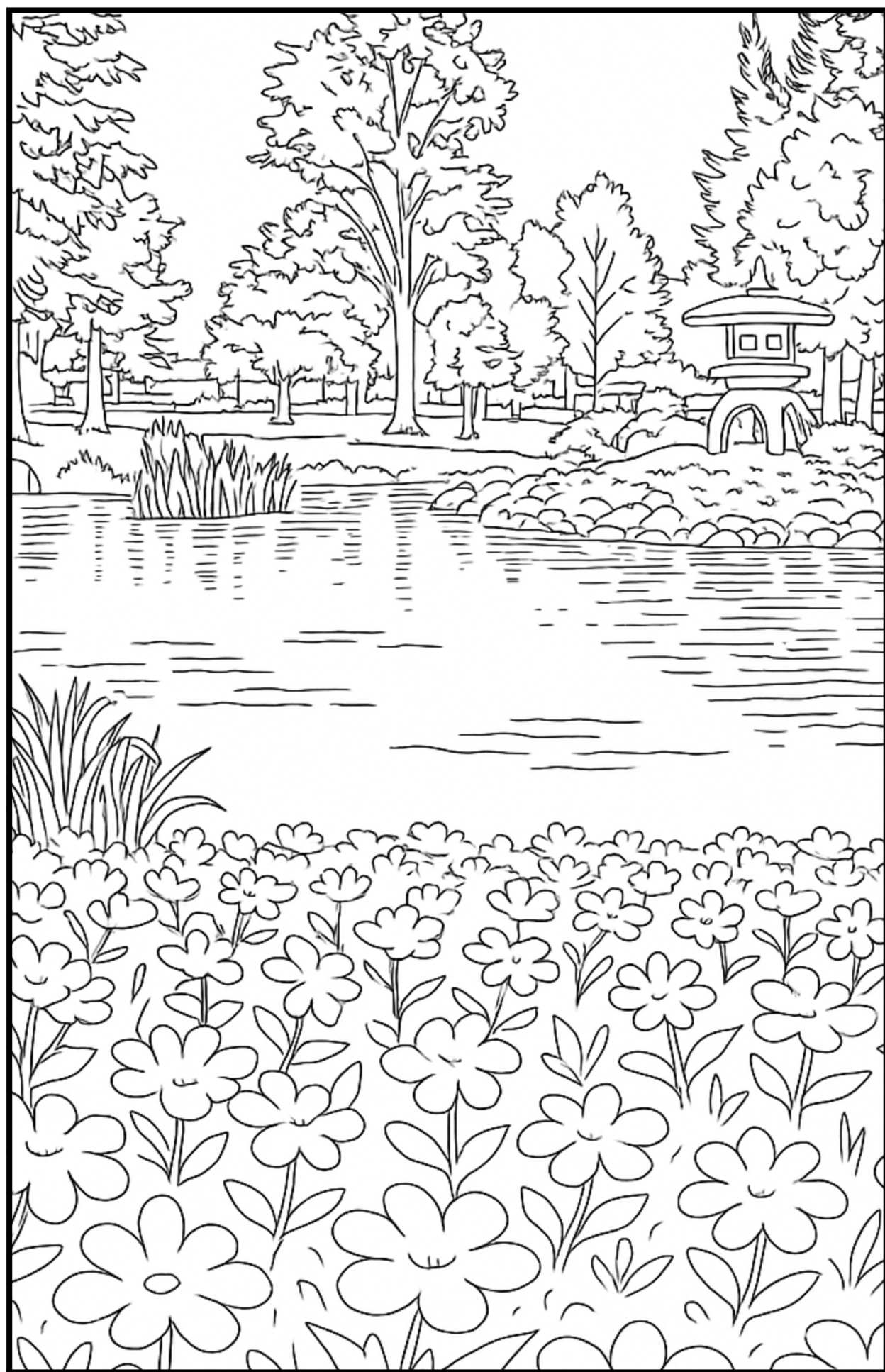




Maze

Can you help the ladybug through the maze?





Origami



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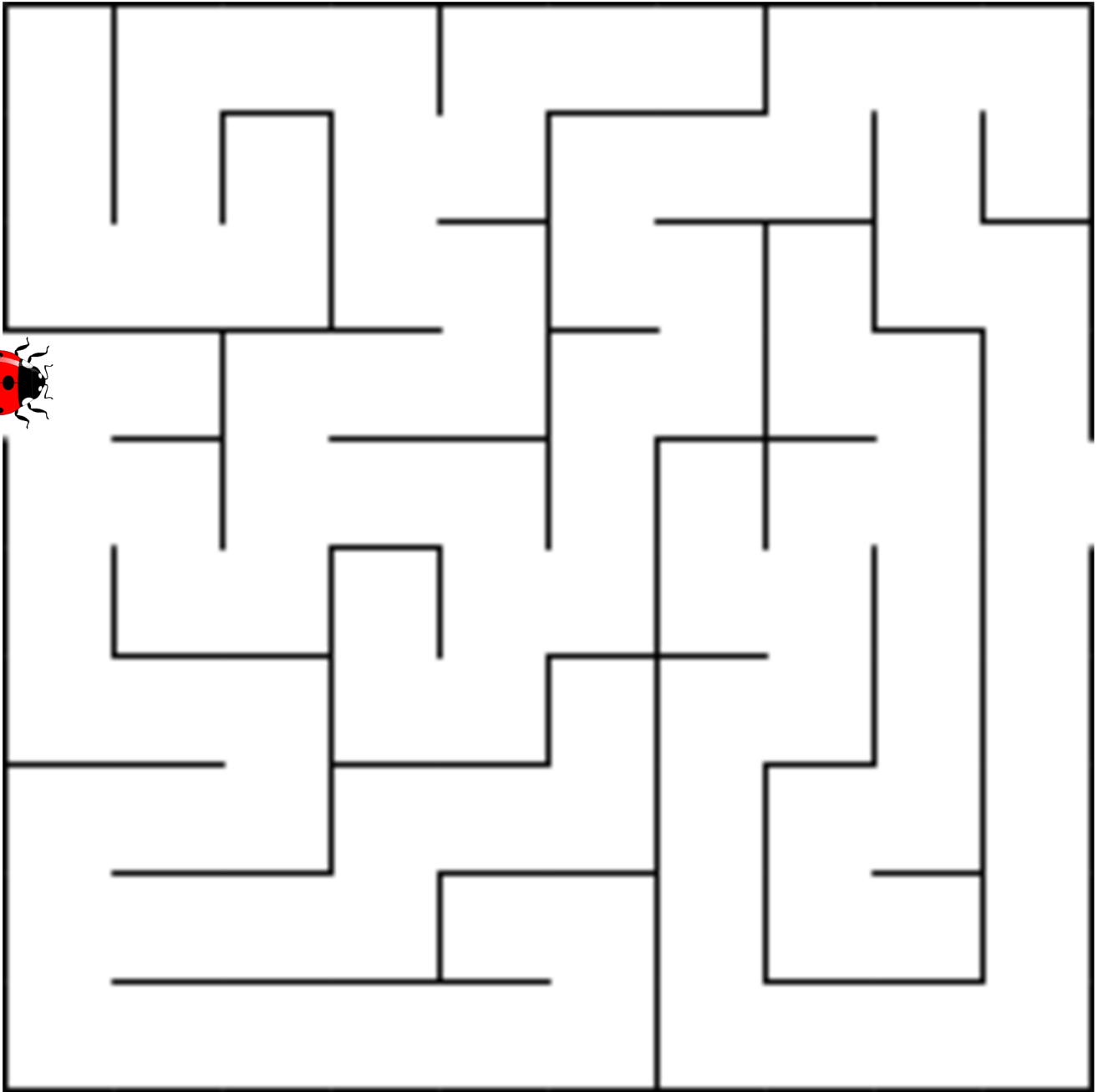
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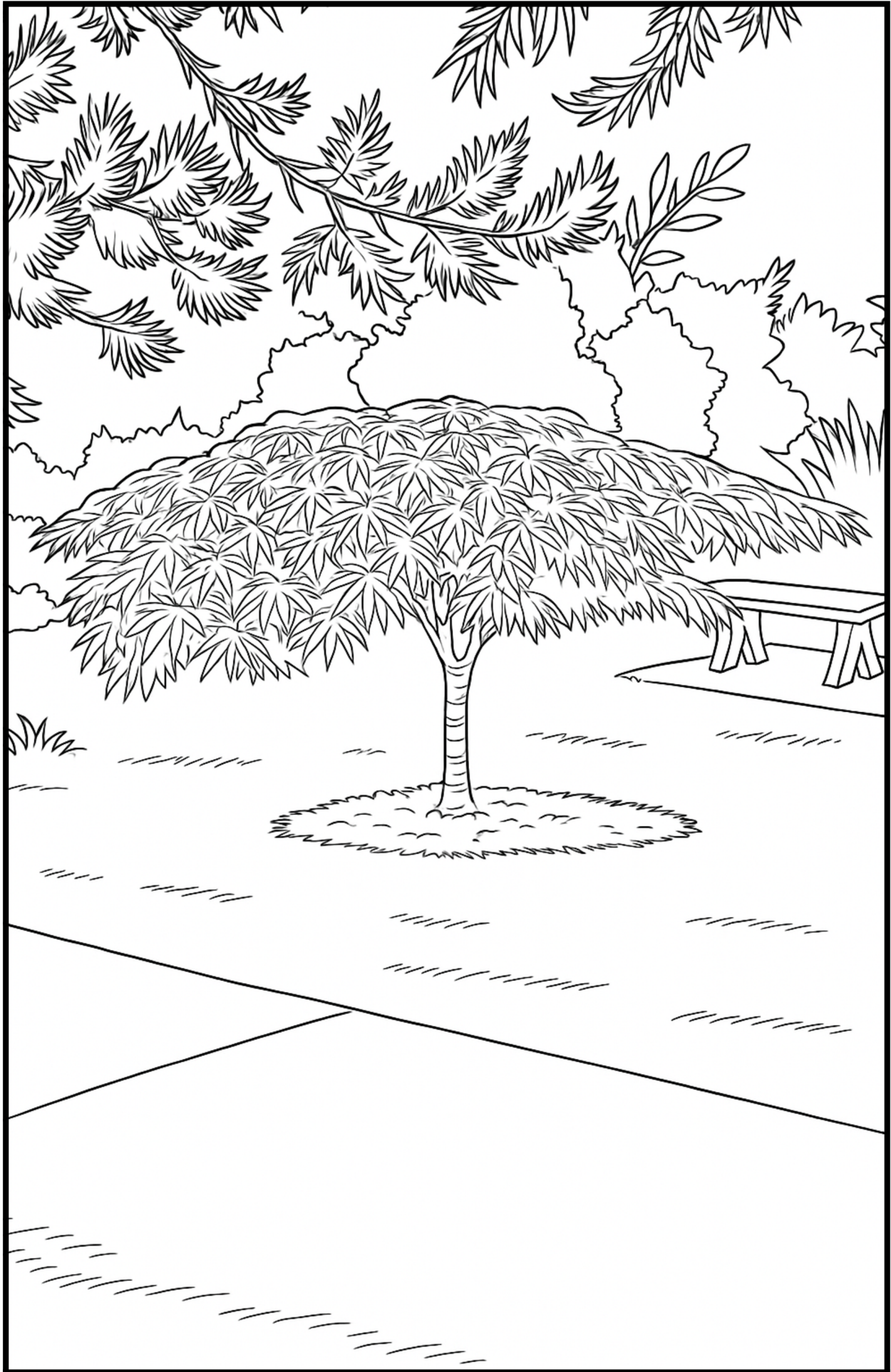




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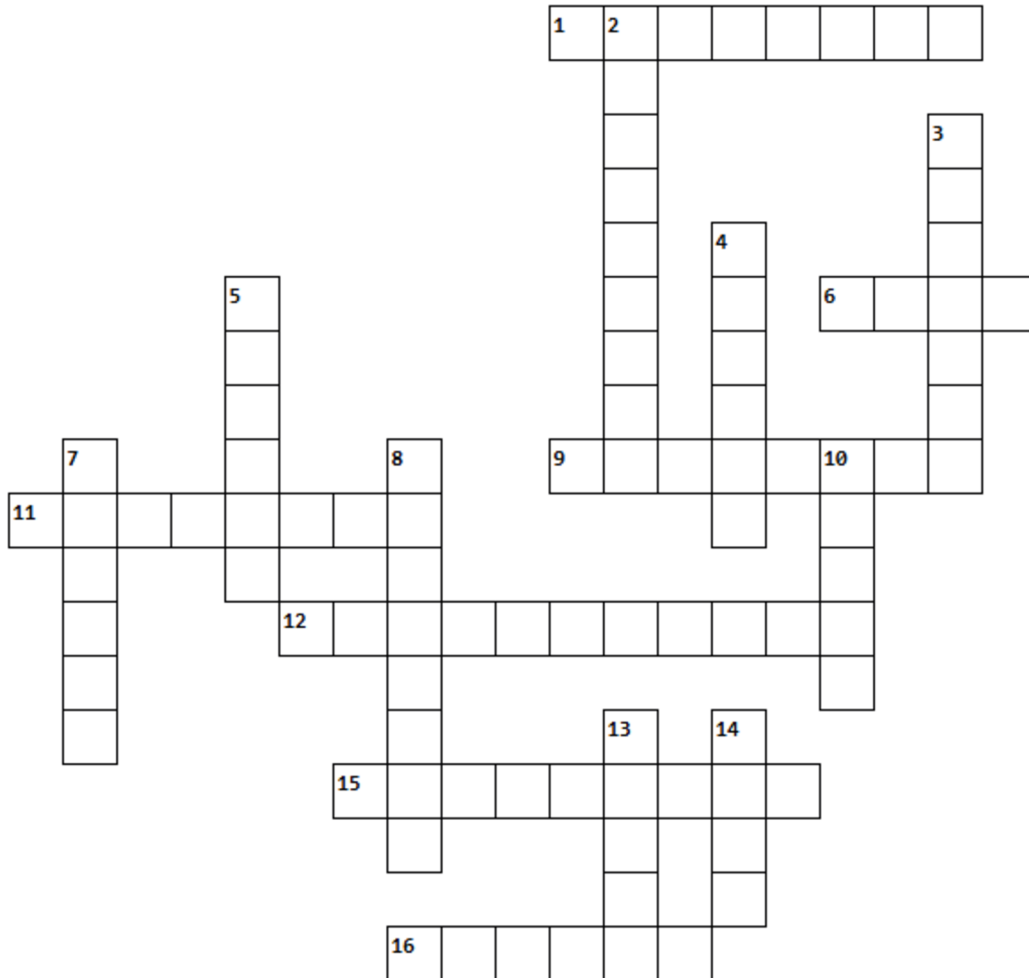
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Crossword Puzzle

Flora

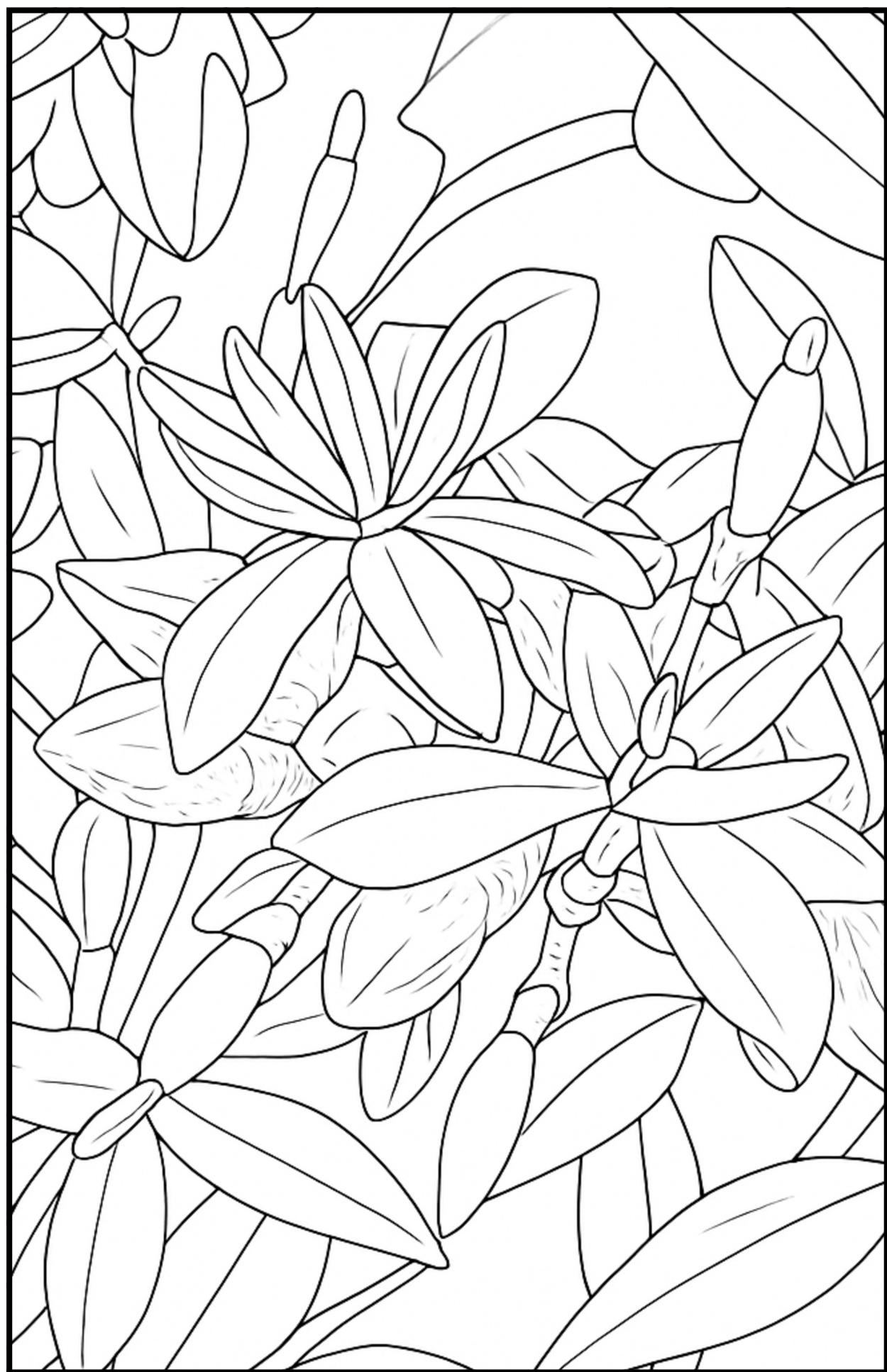


Across

- 1. – Yellow spring trumpet
- 6. – Bearded or Siberian beauty
- 9. – Fragrant purple herb
- 11. – Cascading purple vines
- 12. – Red-berried shrub
- 15. – Fiery hummingbird favorite
- 16. Blossom – Iconic pink petals

Down

- 2. – Mythic galaxy or a shrub
- 3. – Berry-like cones on this shrub
- 4. Ragwort – Fuzzy gray foliage
- 5. – Springtime rhododendron cousin
- 7. – Fan-shaped ancient leaves
- 8. – Thorny tree with berries
- 10. Pine – Miniature conifer
- 13. – Starry fall bloomer
- 14. – Elegant, often fragrant bloom



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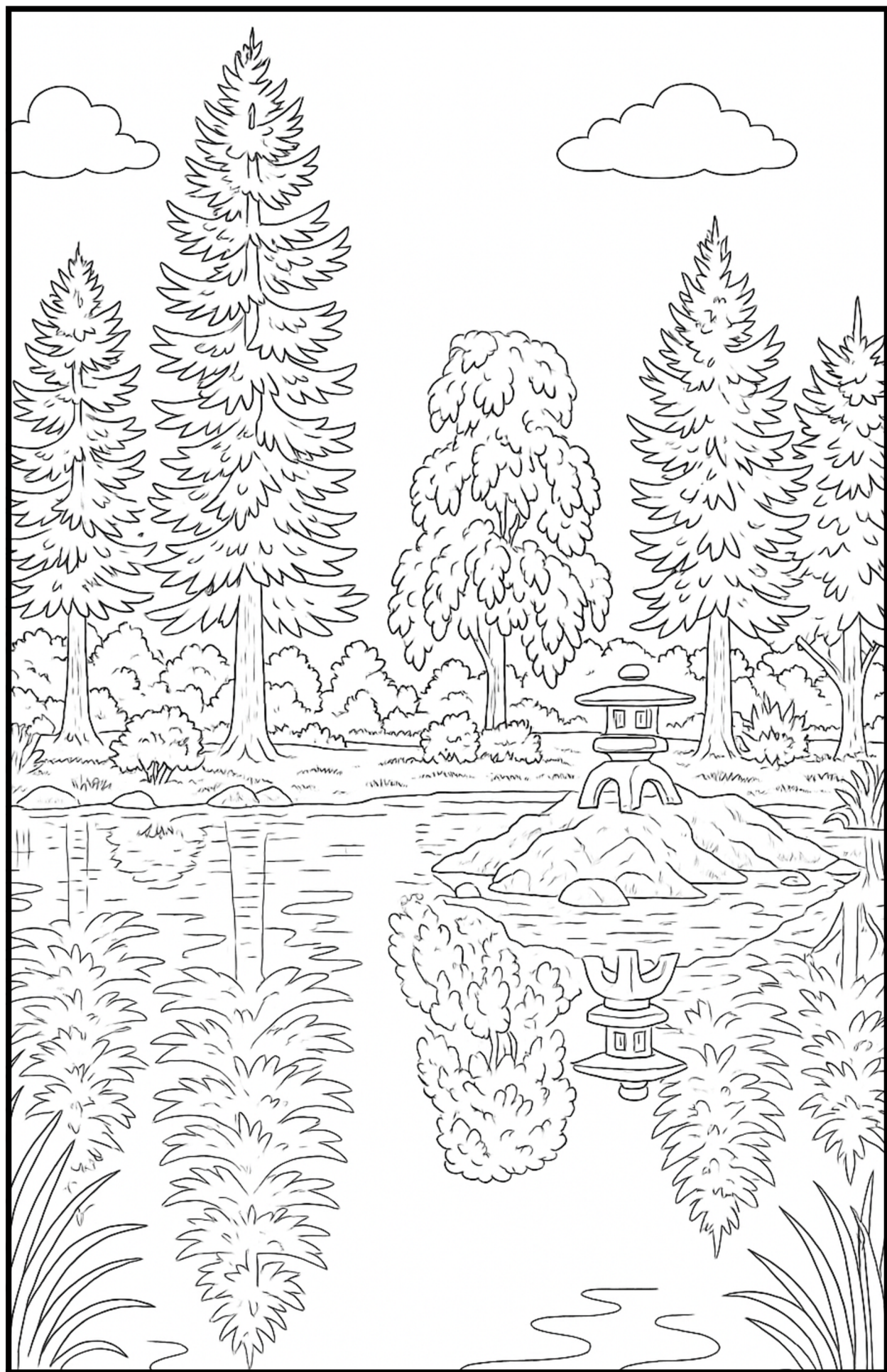
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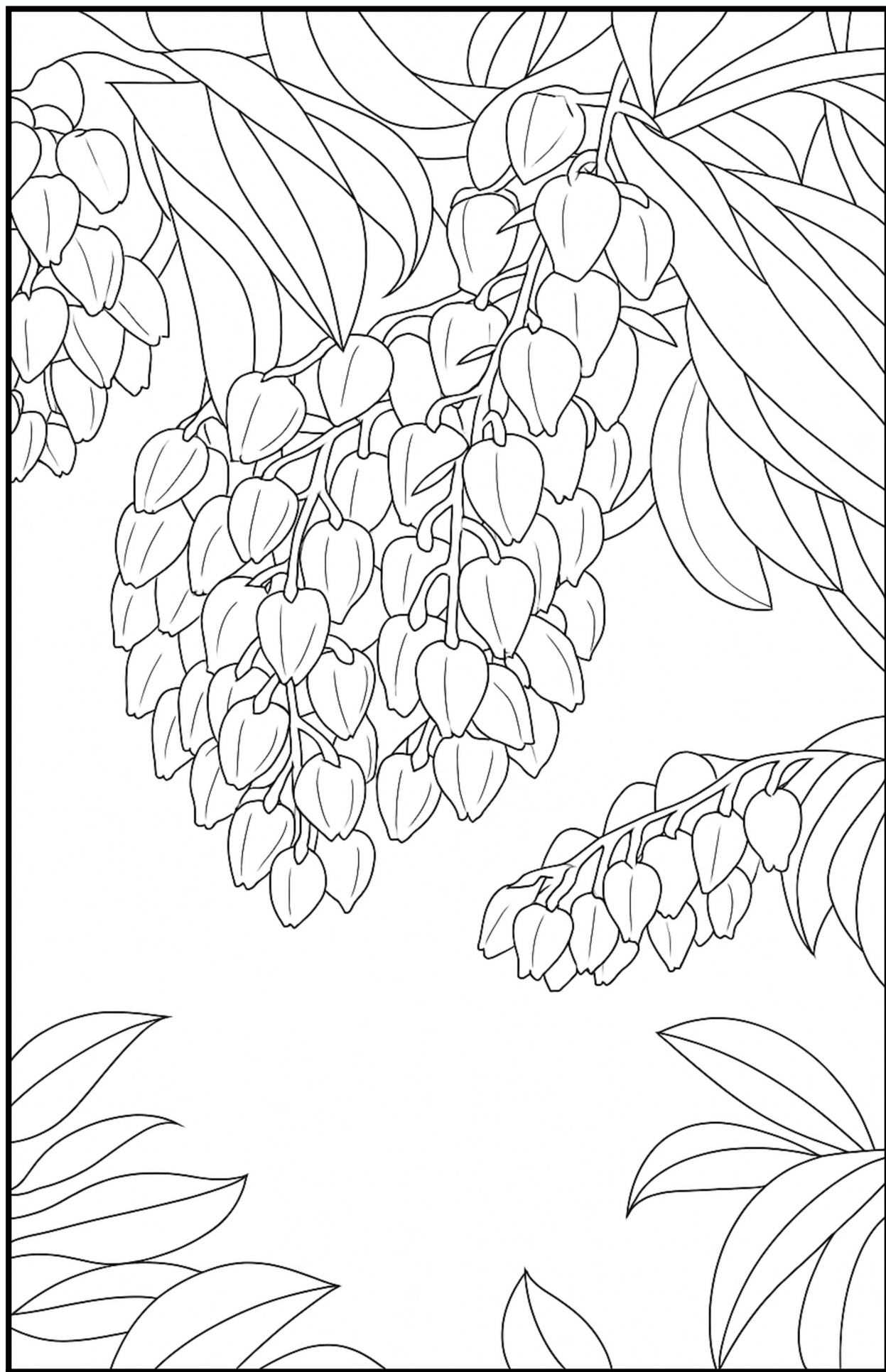
Plants & Flowers

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Andromeda
Aster
Azalea
Cherry Blossom
Chrysanthemum
Cotoneaster
Crocasmia
Daffodil

Dogwood
Dwarf Pine
Ginkgo
Hawthorn
Iris
Juniper
Lavender
Lily

Nandina
Redclaws
Rhododendron
Sedum
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Wisteria



Matching Game



Crocosmia

Jersey Thrift

Nandina

Japanese Andromeda

Hawthorn

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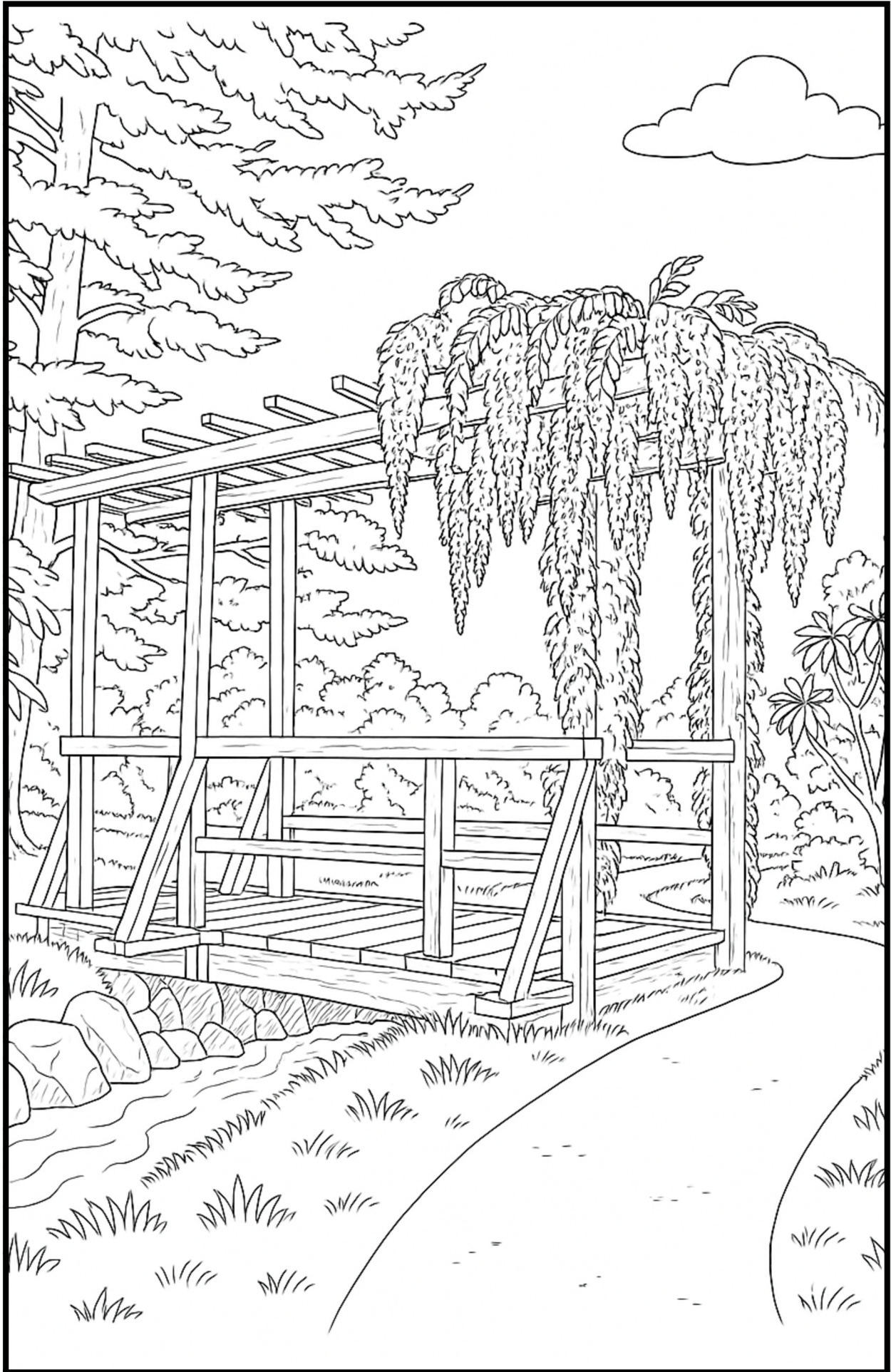
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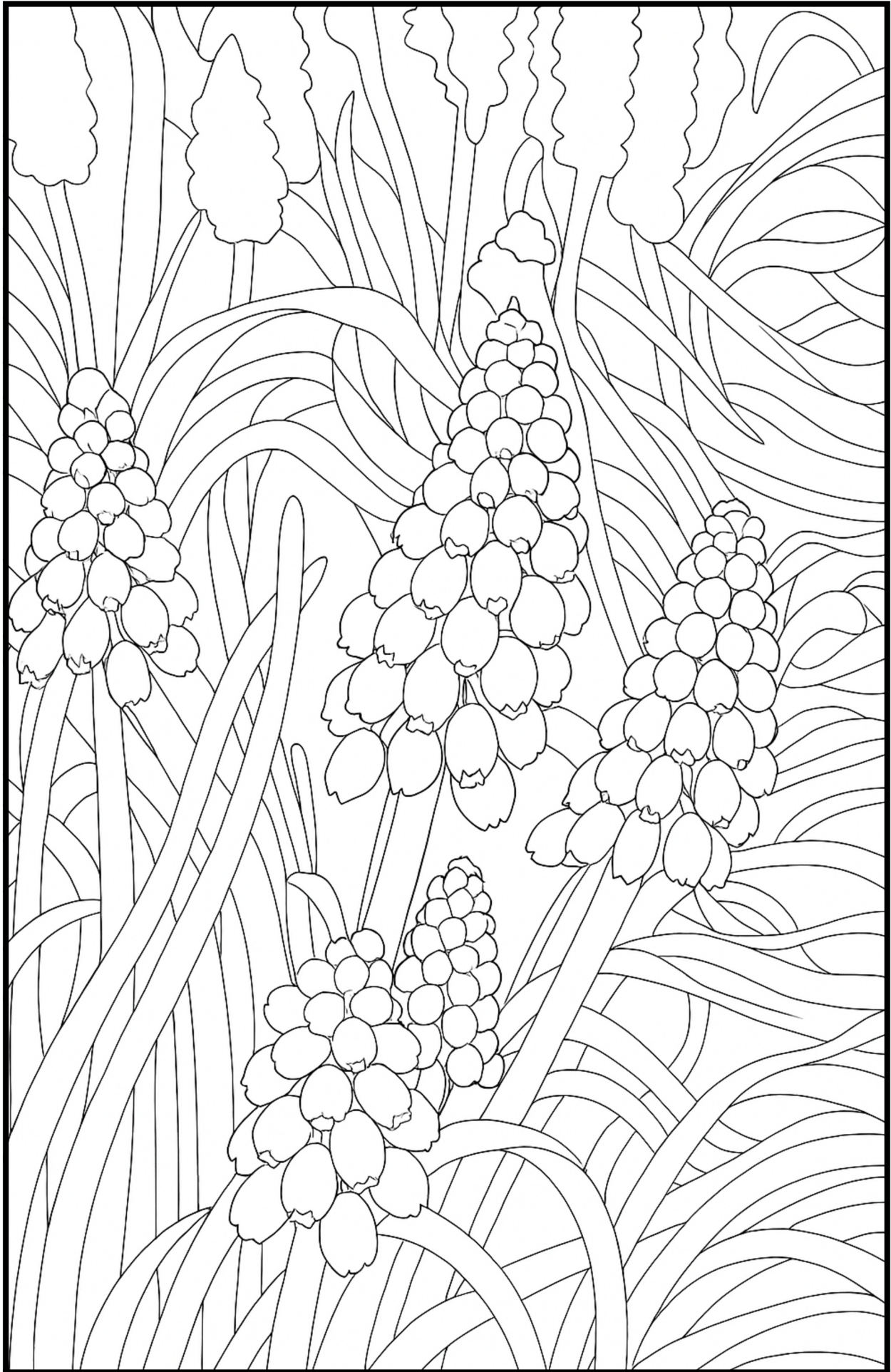




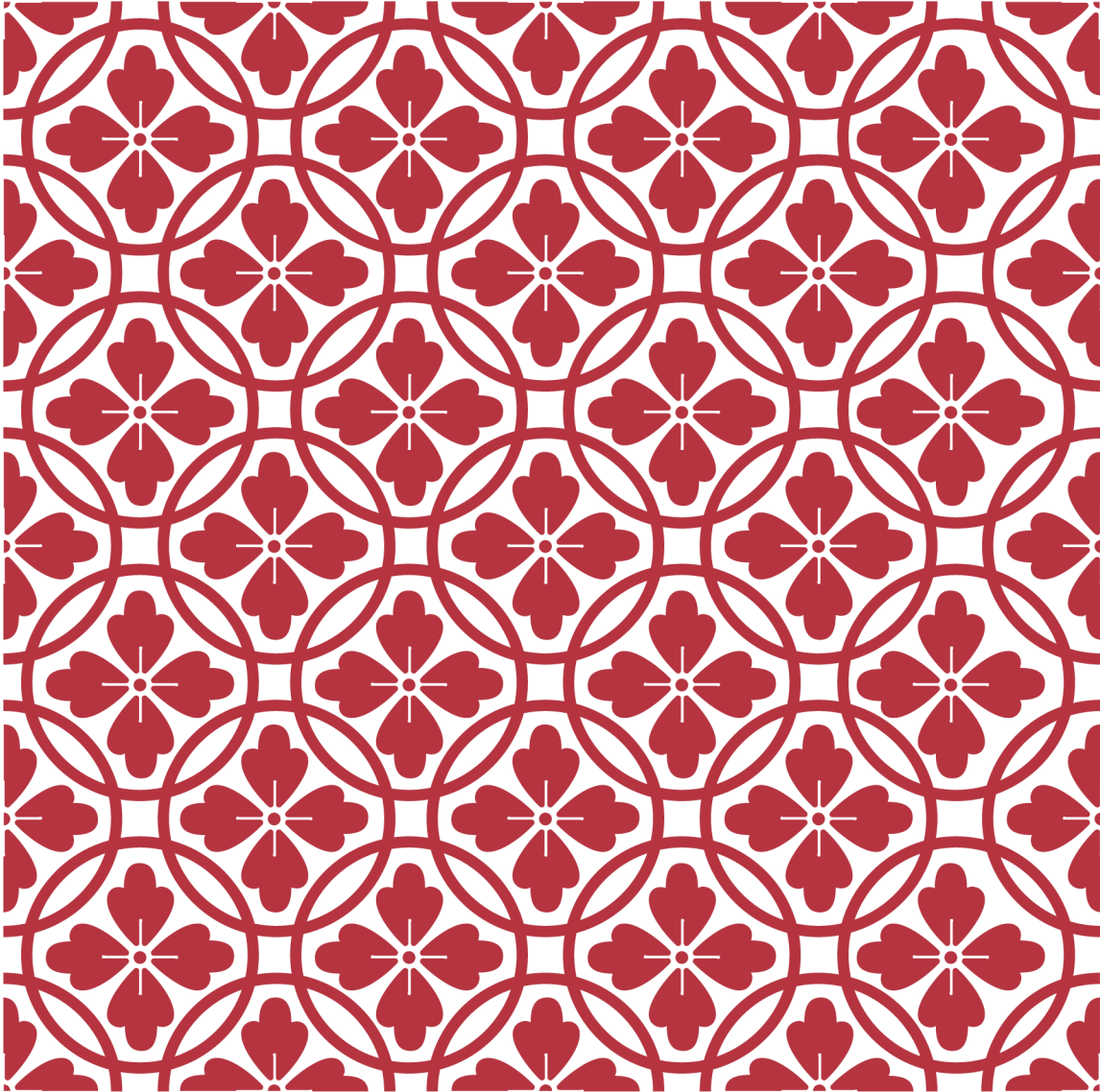
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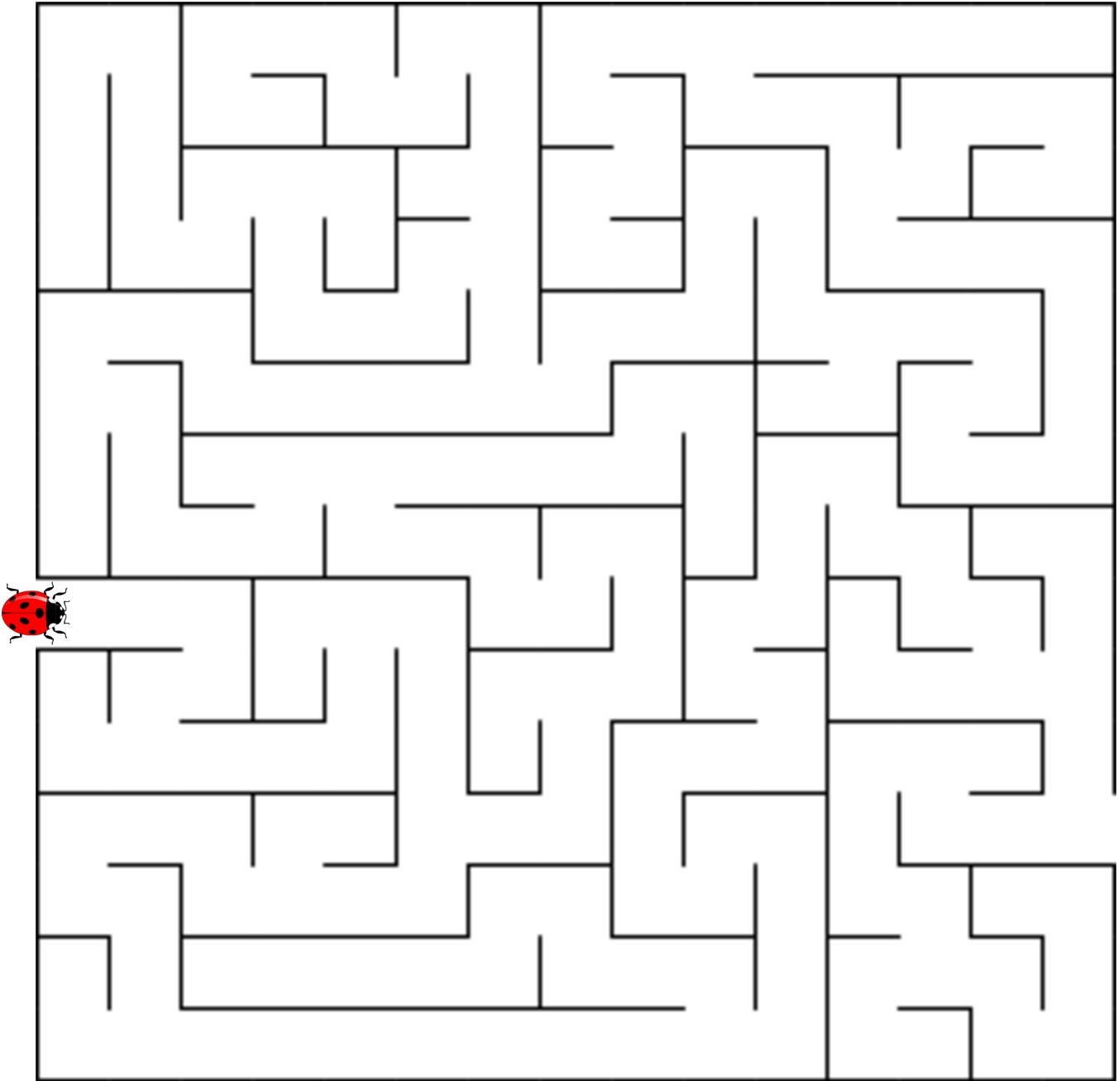
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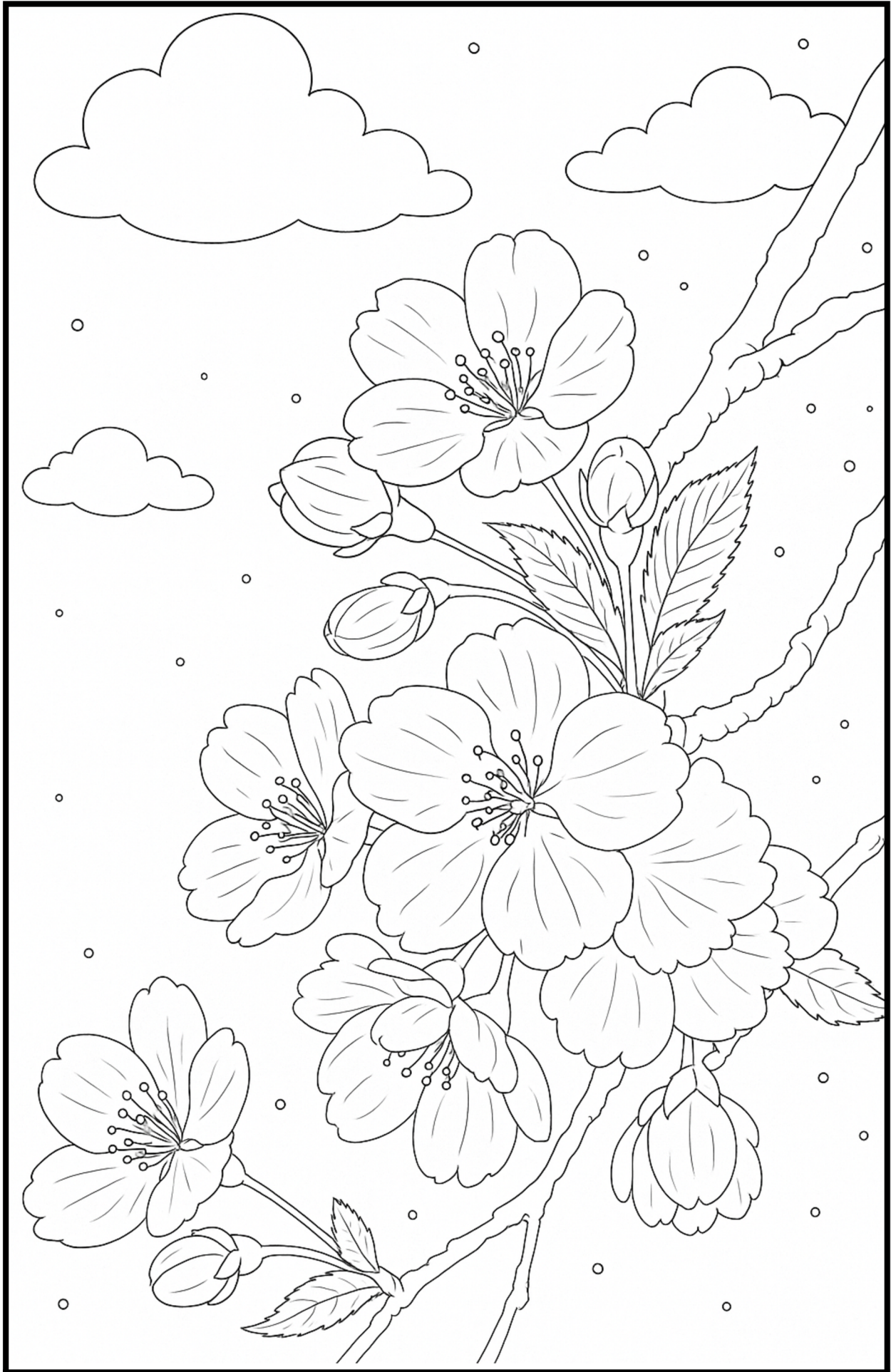




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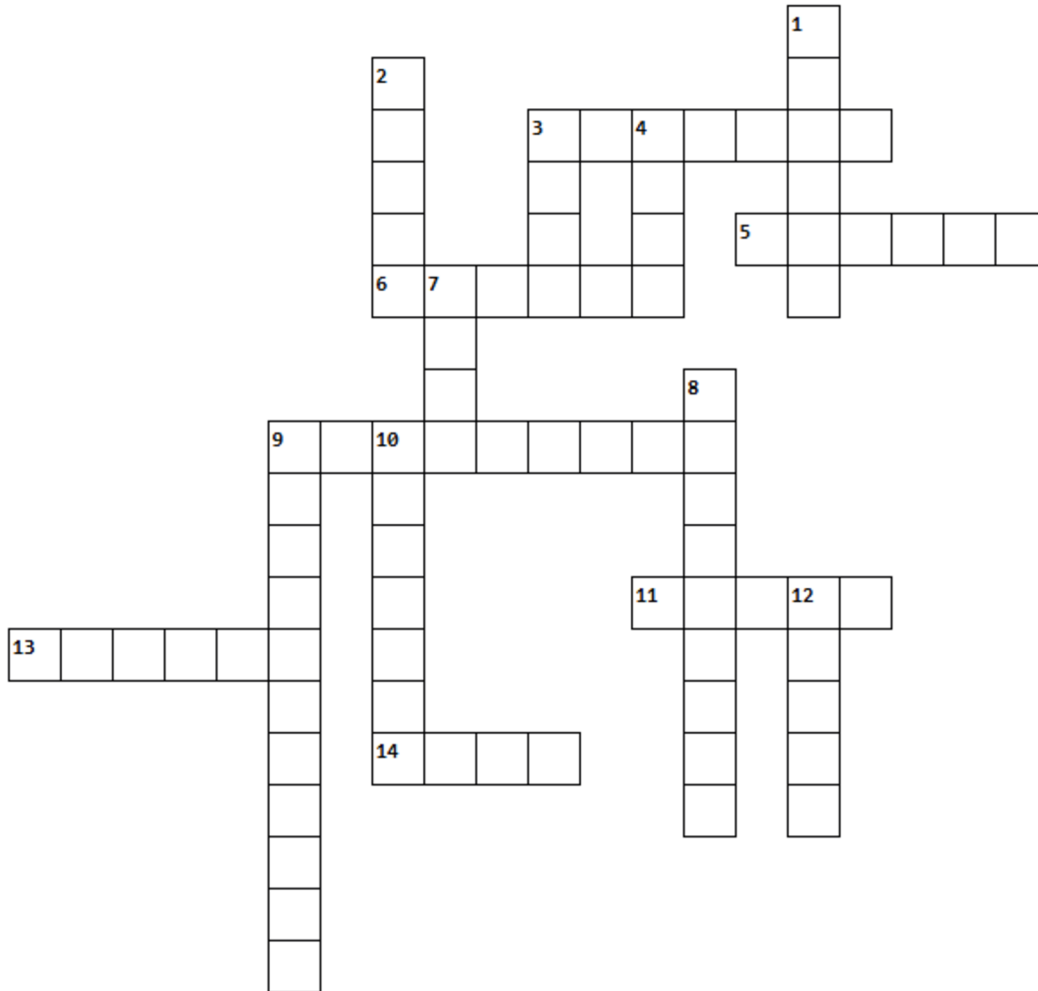
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Crossword Puzzle - Flora

Garden Features

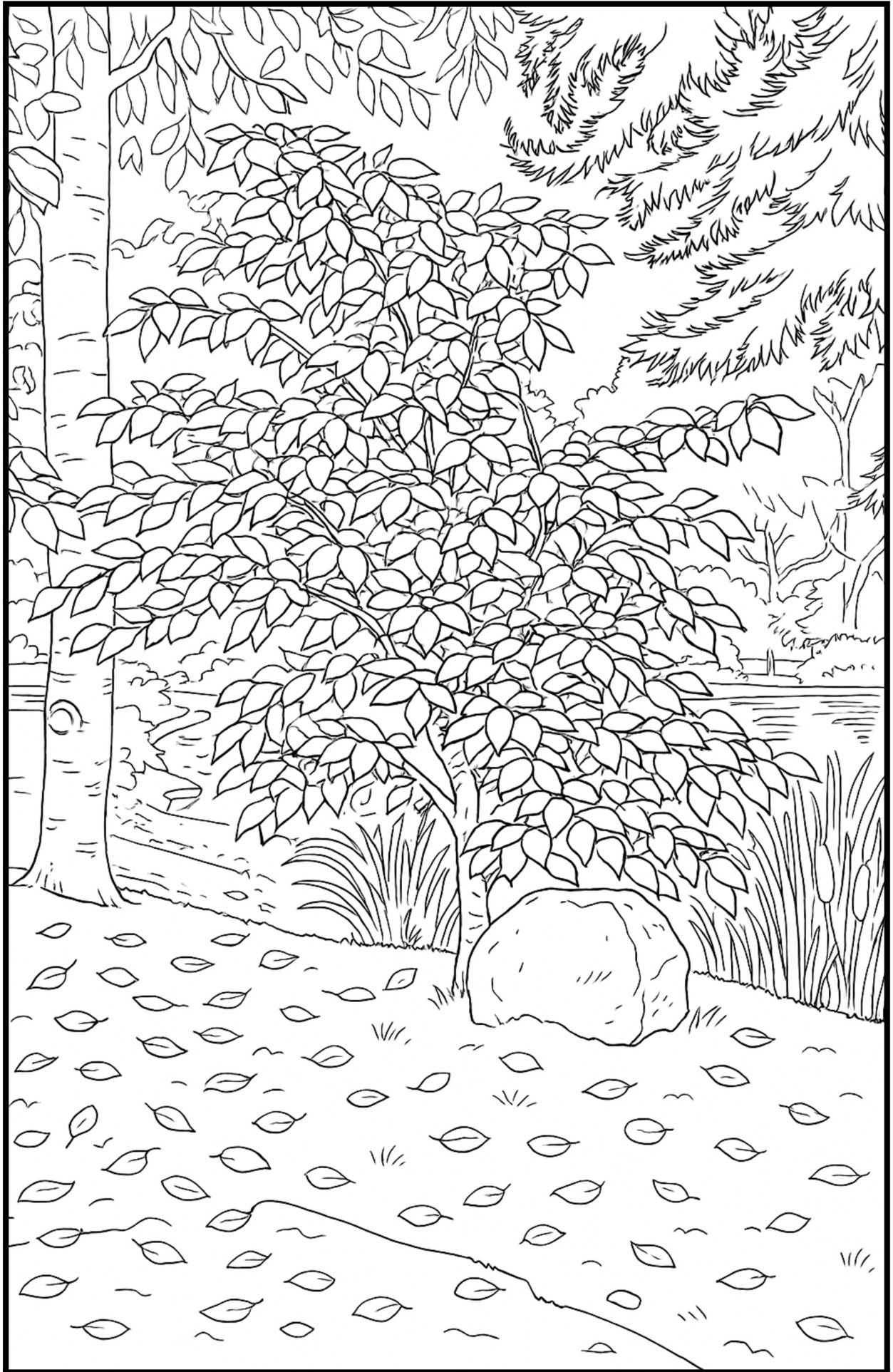


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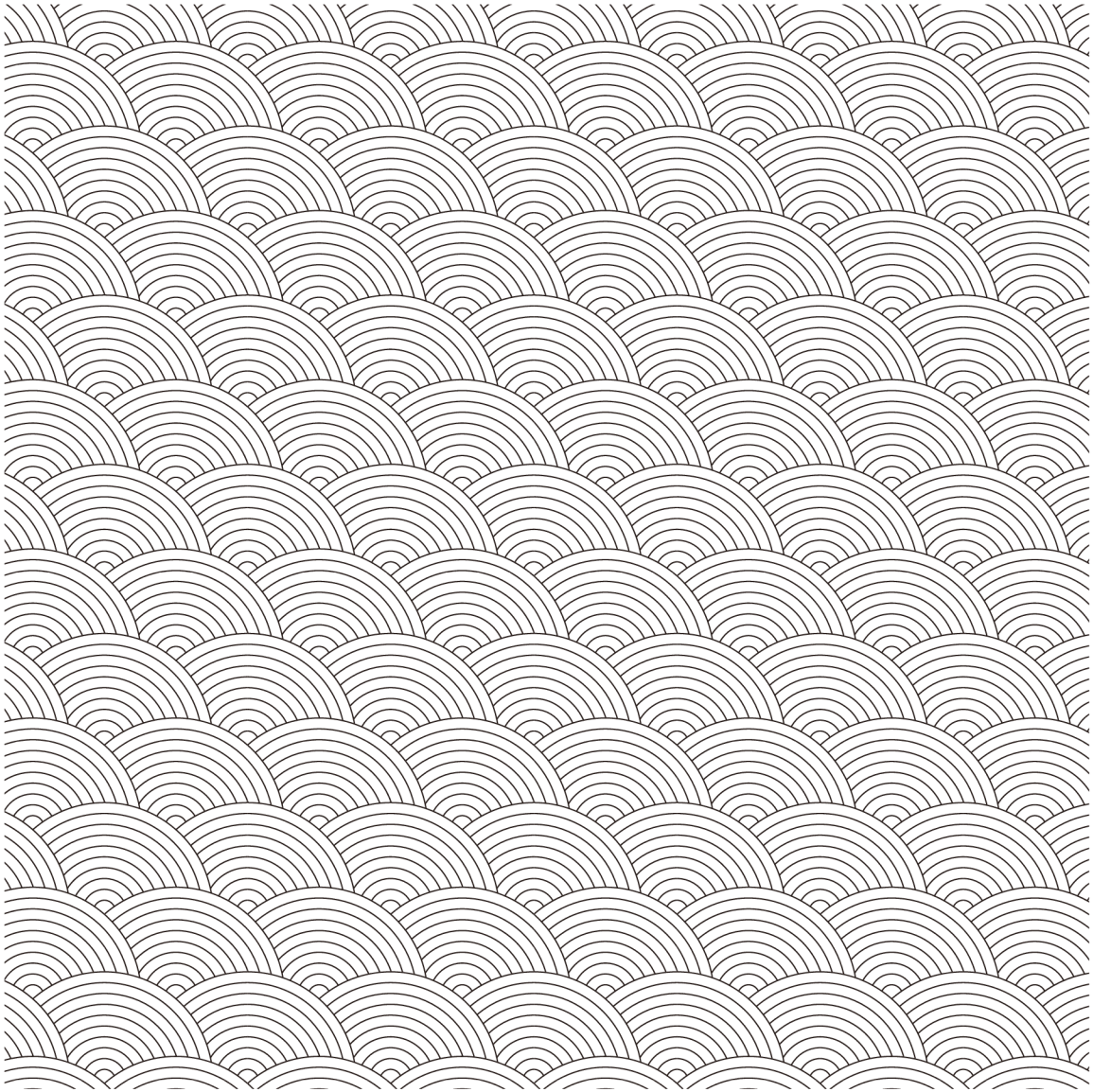
- 3. Walkway through the garden
- 5. Autumn's falling treasure
- 6. Cross over water
- 9. Flowing garden feature
- 11. Sit and relax
- 13. Digs deep holes
- 14. Essential for planting

Down

- 1. Tiny stone ground cover
- 2. Small woody plant
- 3. Still water feature
- 4. Tall, leafy giant
- 7. Gathers leaves easily
- 8. Planted floral patch
- 9. - Hauls heavy loads
- 10. Climbing plant support
- 12. Small flowing stream



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Garden Elements Word Search

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U R M G R R Z S D B H T W P S R J Z K B
W F Z W C E A V A Q N T T E U B Y A V B

Bench
Bridge
Creek
Flowerbed
Gravel
Leaves
Loppers
Mulch

Pathway
Pond
Pruners
Rake
Rocks
Shears
Shovel
Shrub

Soil
Stone Lantern
Tree
Trellis
Trowel
Waterfall
Weeder
Wheelbarrow



Matching Game



Stewartia



Viburnum

Japanese Maple



Japanese Andromeda



Sweet Iris

Coral Bells



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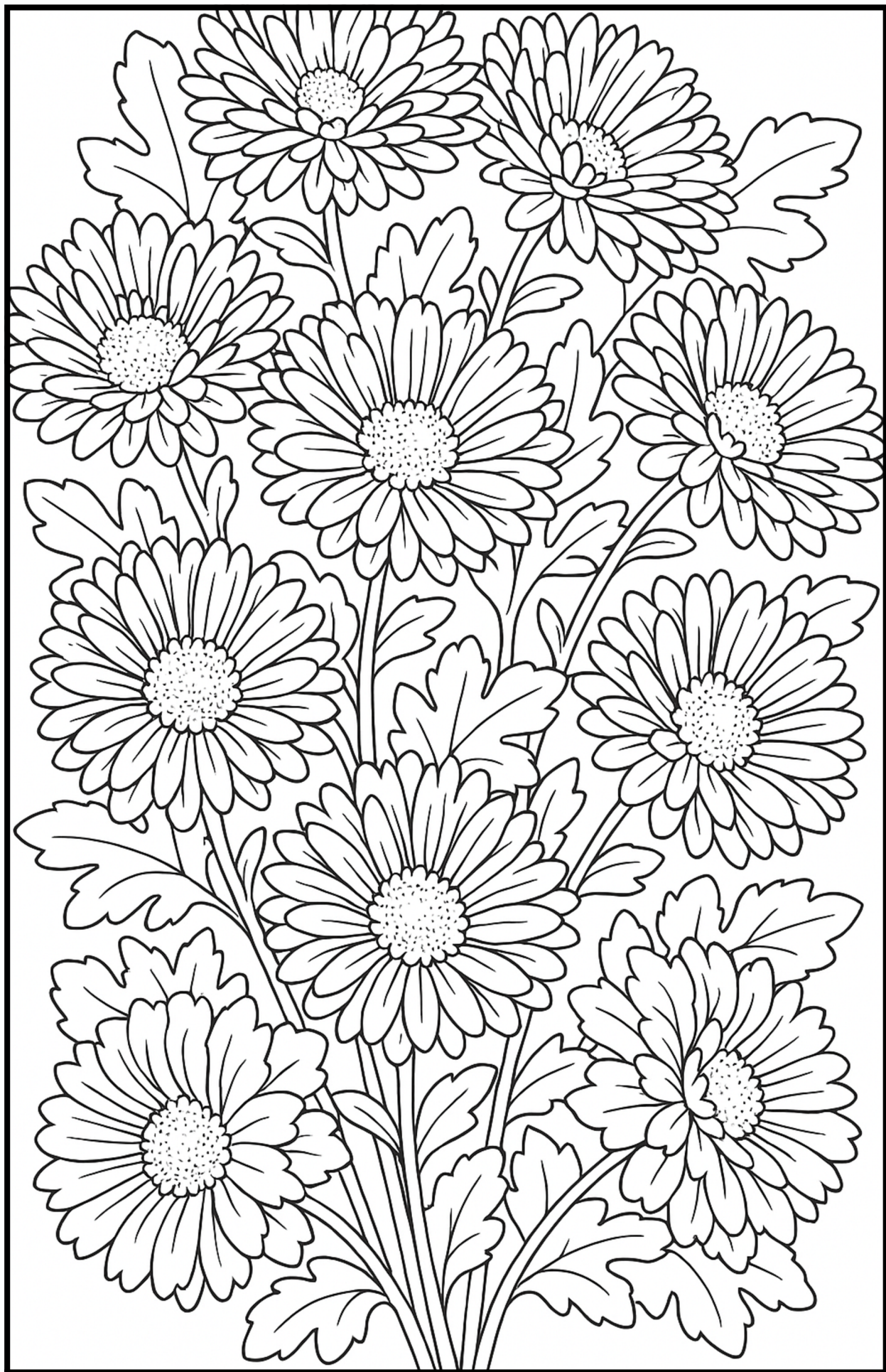
Imperial Purple Iris

Creeping Sedum



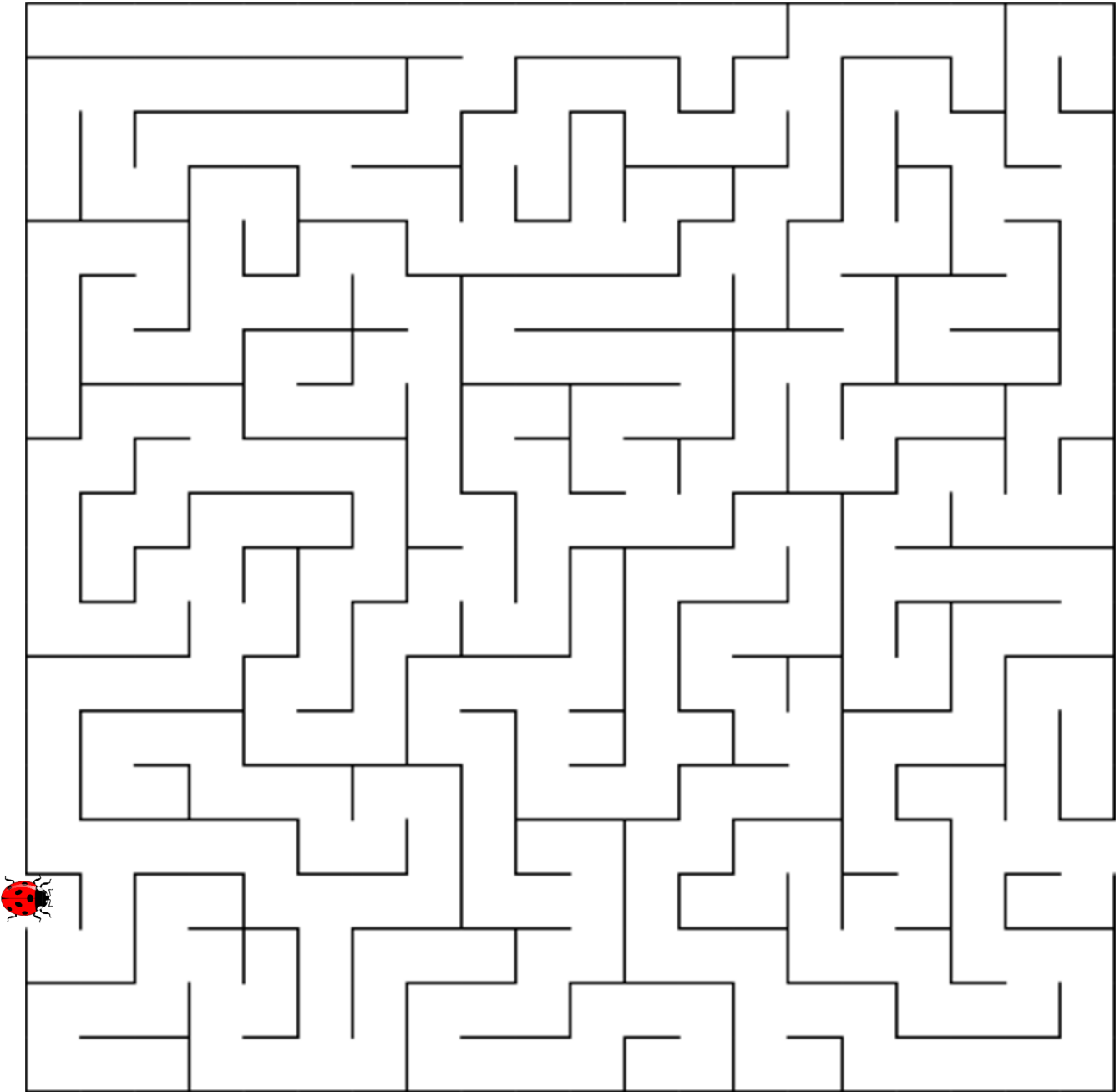
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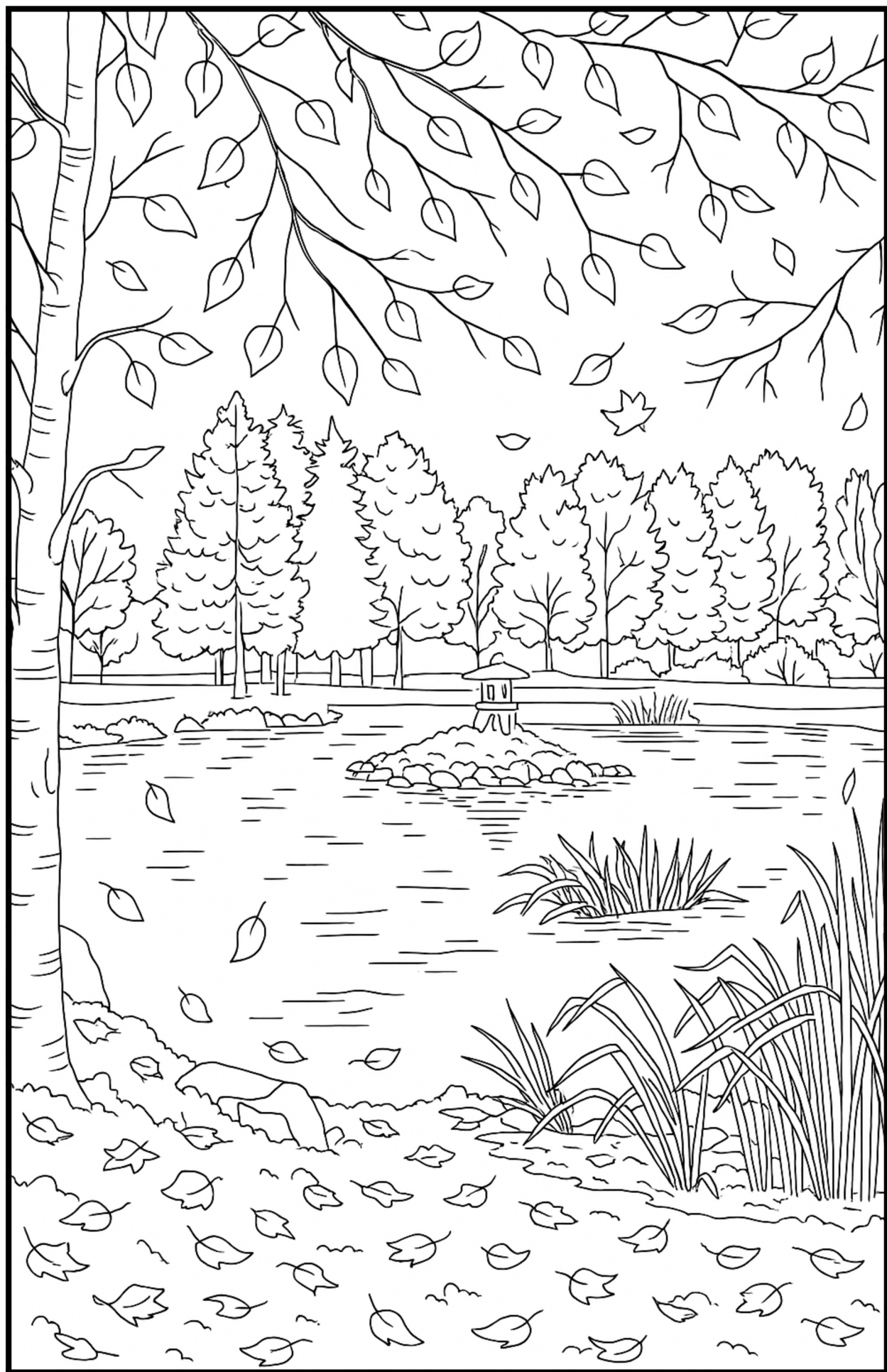




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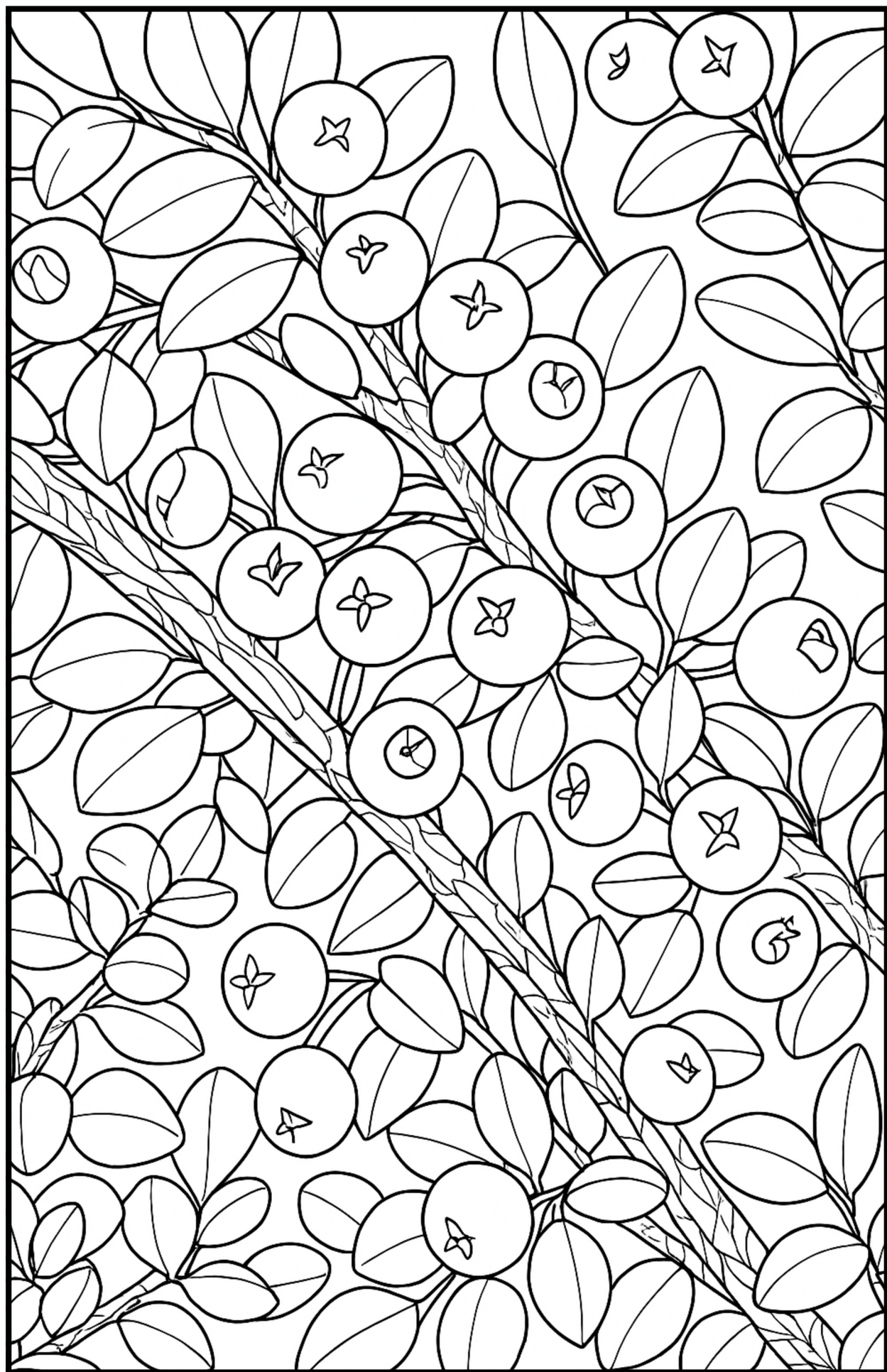
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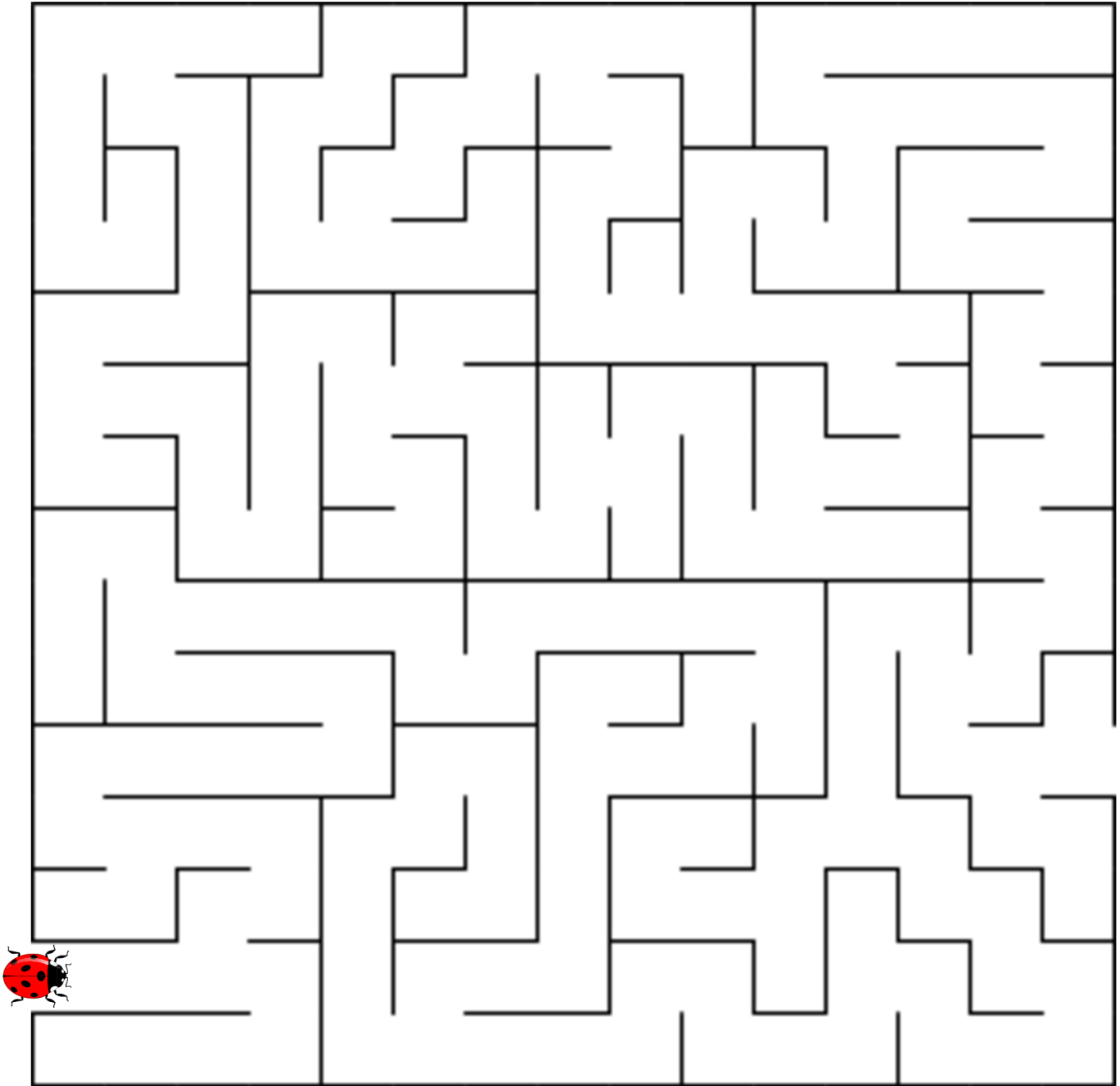
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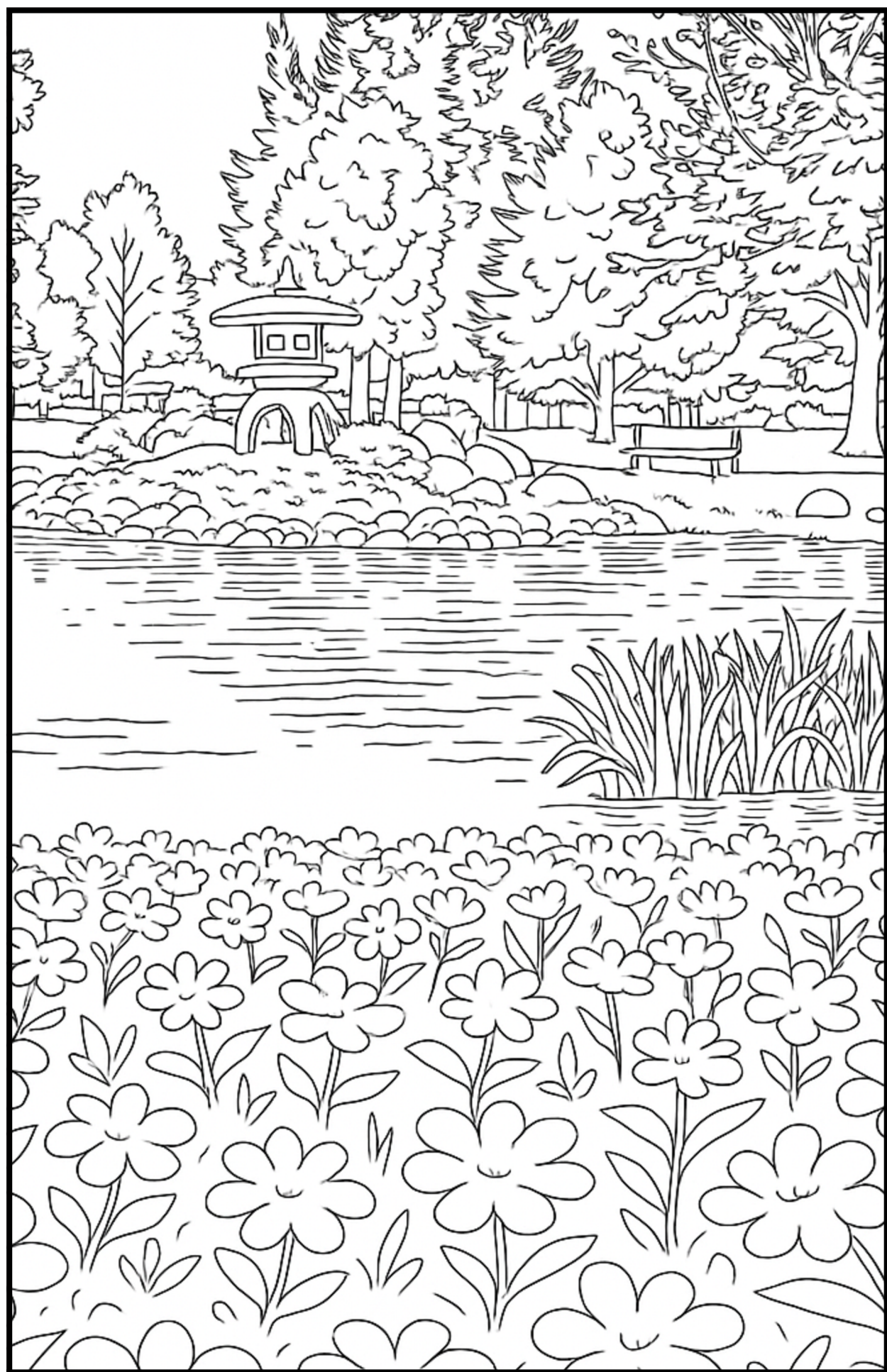




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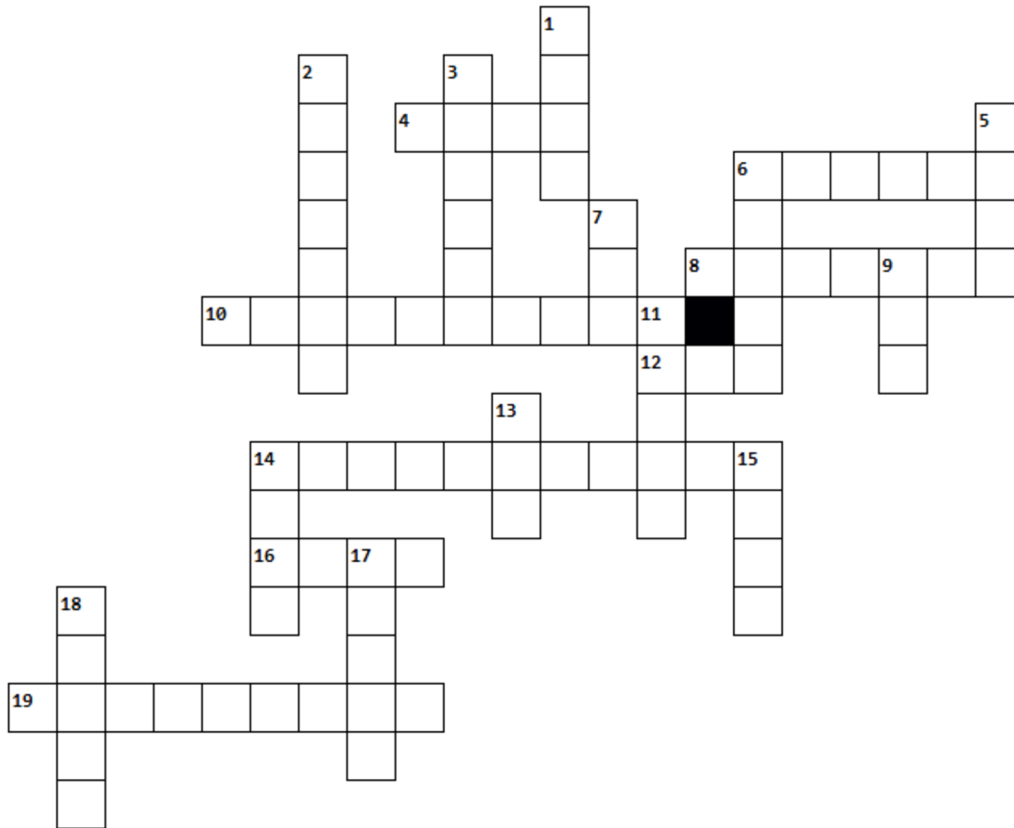
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Crossword Puzzle - Flora

Garden Creatures



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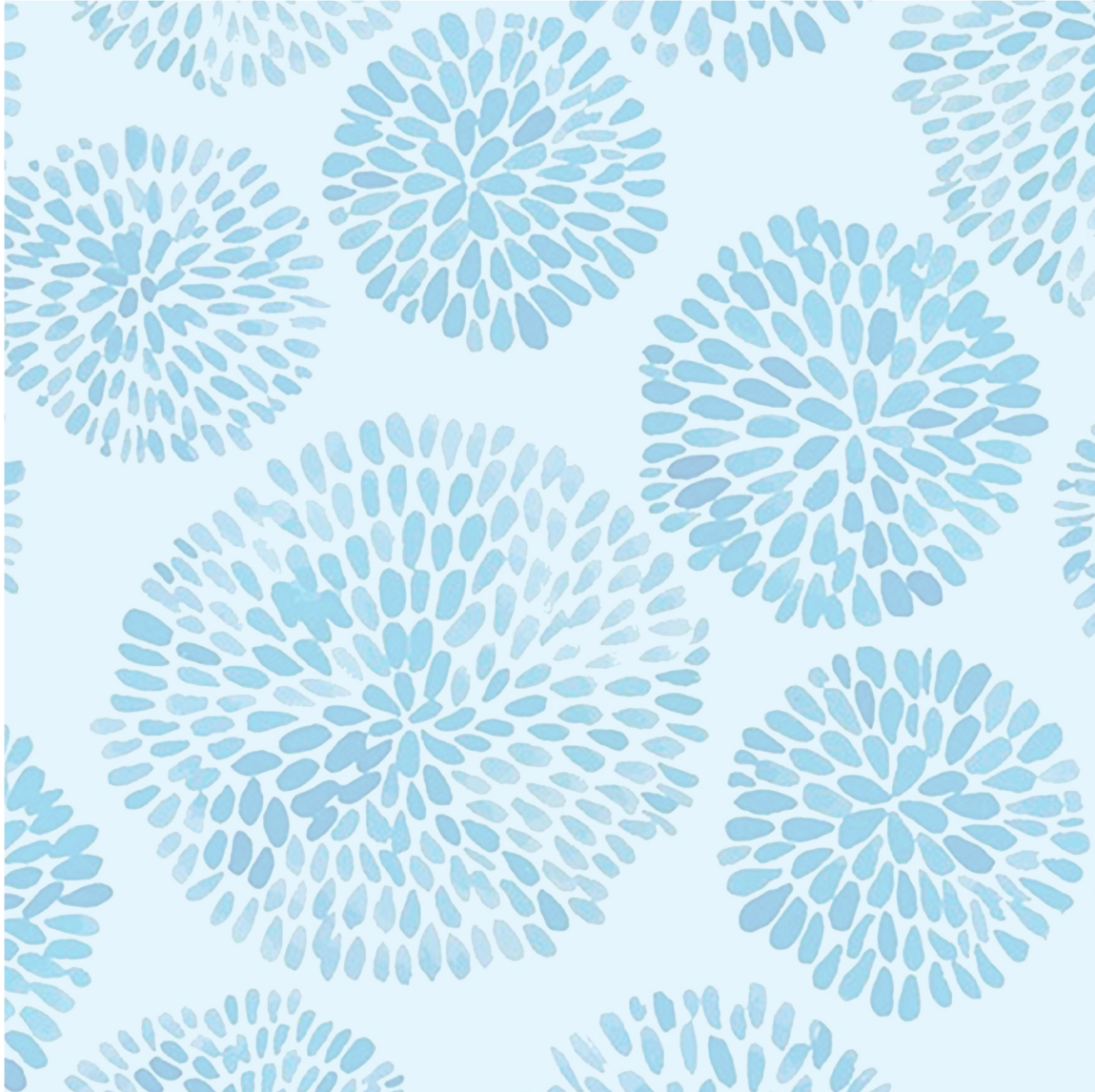
- 4. – Graceful woodland grazer
- 6. – Web-weaving predator
- 8. – Spotted garden helper
- 10. – Tree-tapping bird
- 12. – Wise, nocturnal hunter
- 14. – Tiny, fast-winged flier
- 16. – Tiny, energetic songbird
- 19. – Fast-flying, iridescent hunter

Down

- 1. – Wiggly soil digger
- 2. – Masked nighttime forager
- 3. – Hard-shelled insect
- 5. – Jumps and ribbits
- 6. – Slow-moving shell carrier
- 7. – Buzzing pollinator
- 9. – Nocturnal flying mammal
- 11. – Harbinger of spring
- 13. – Tiny, hardworking insect
- 14. – Sharp-eyed hunter
- 15. – Paddles on ponds
- 17. – Majestic bird of prey
- 18. – Long-legged wader



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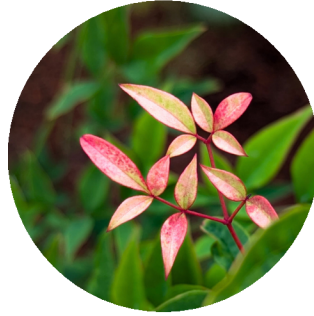
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Beetle
Butterfly
Caterpillar
Deer
Dragonfly

Duck
Eagle
Frog
Hawk
Heron
Hummingbird
Ladybug
Owl

Raccoon
Red Winged Blackbird
Robin
Snail
Spider
Woodpecker
Worm
Wren



Matching Game



Iris



Sweetgum

Lady's Mantle



Tulip Poplar



Japanese Cedar

Escallonia



Dwarf Pine



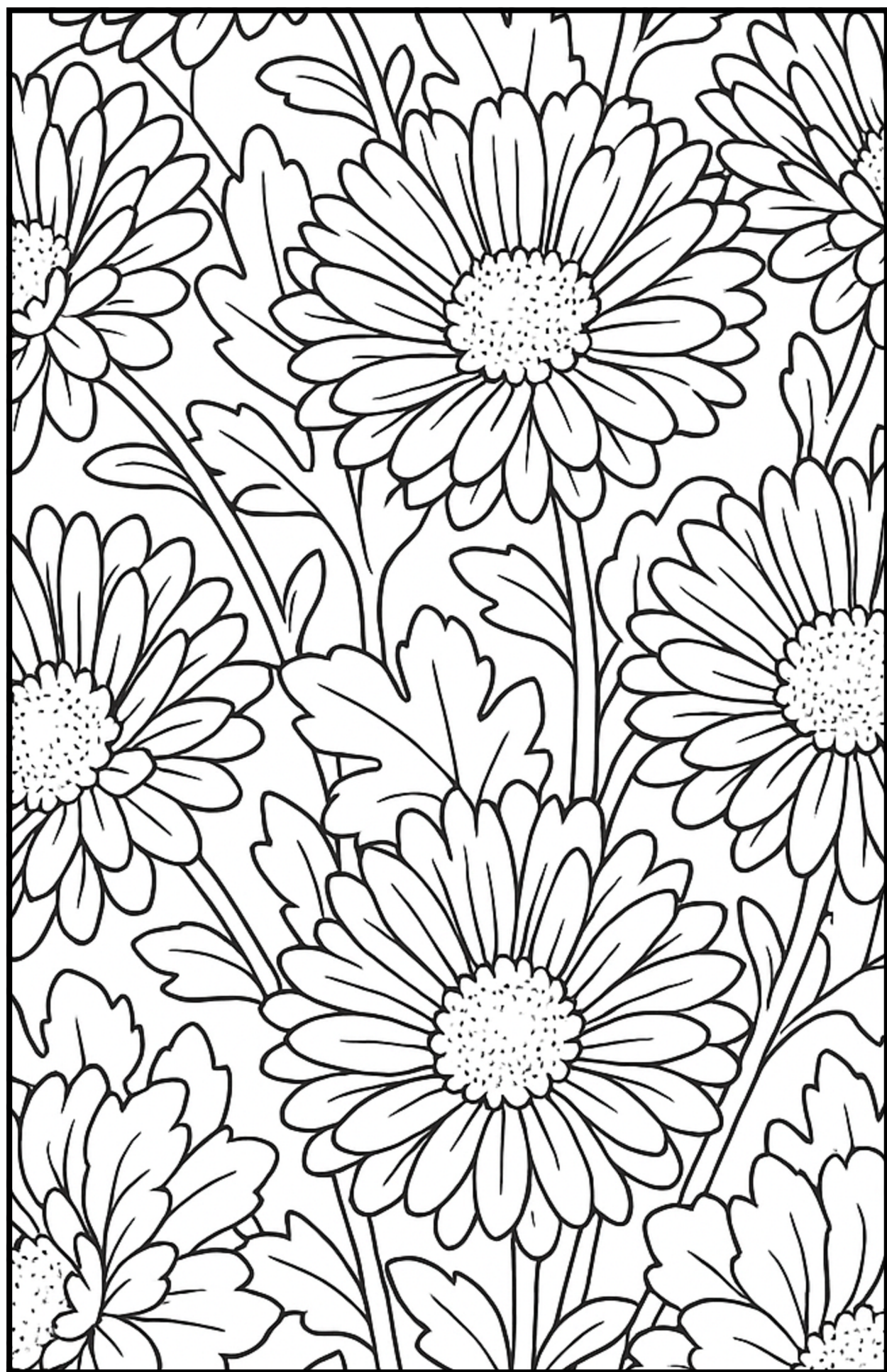
Nandina

Ginkgo



Cotoneaster

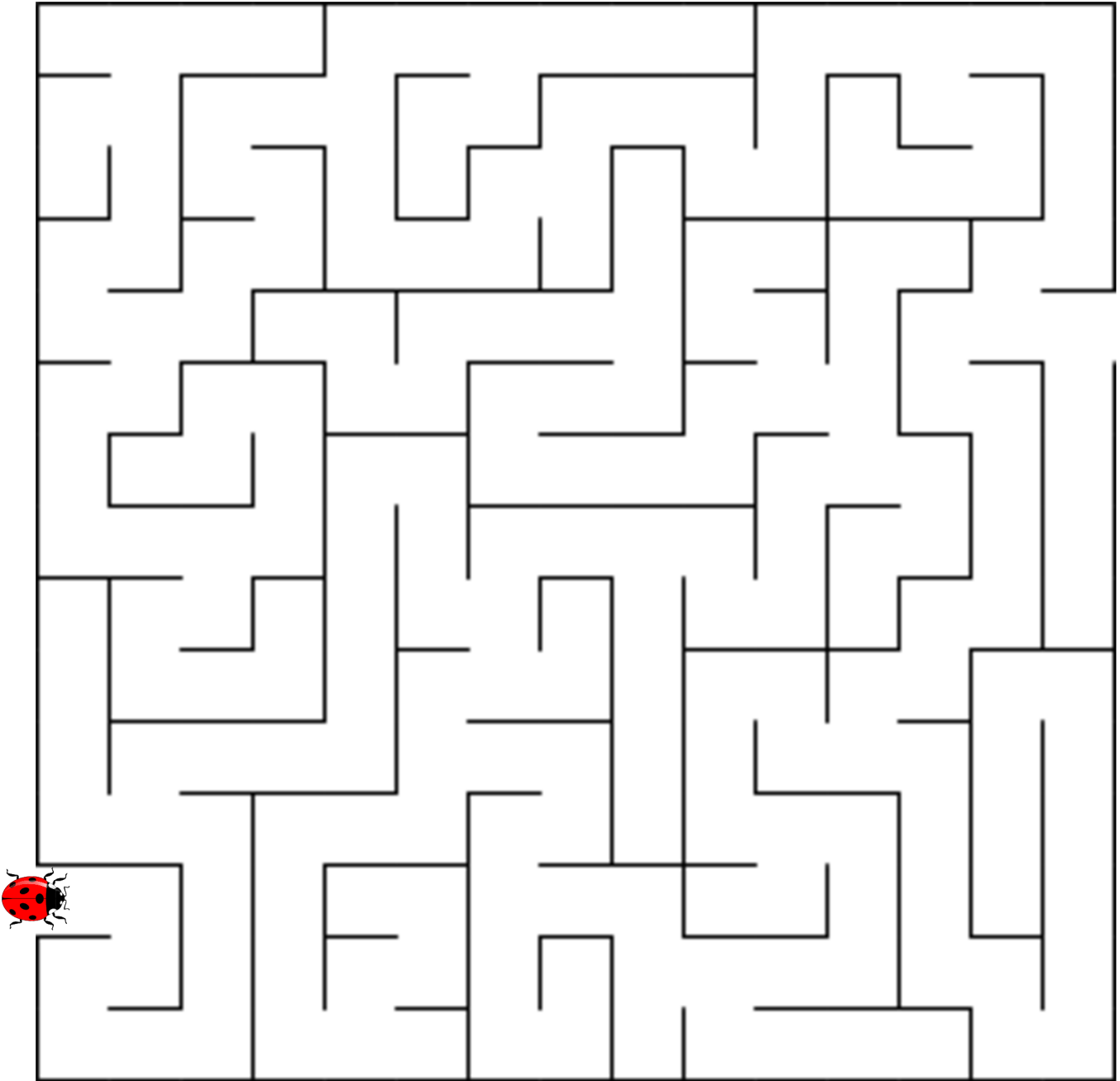






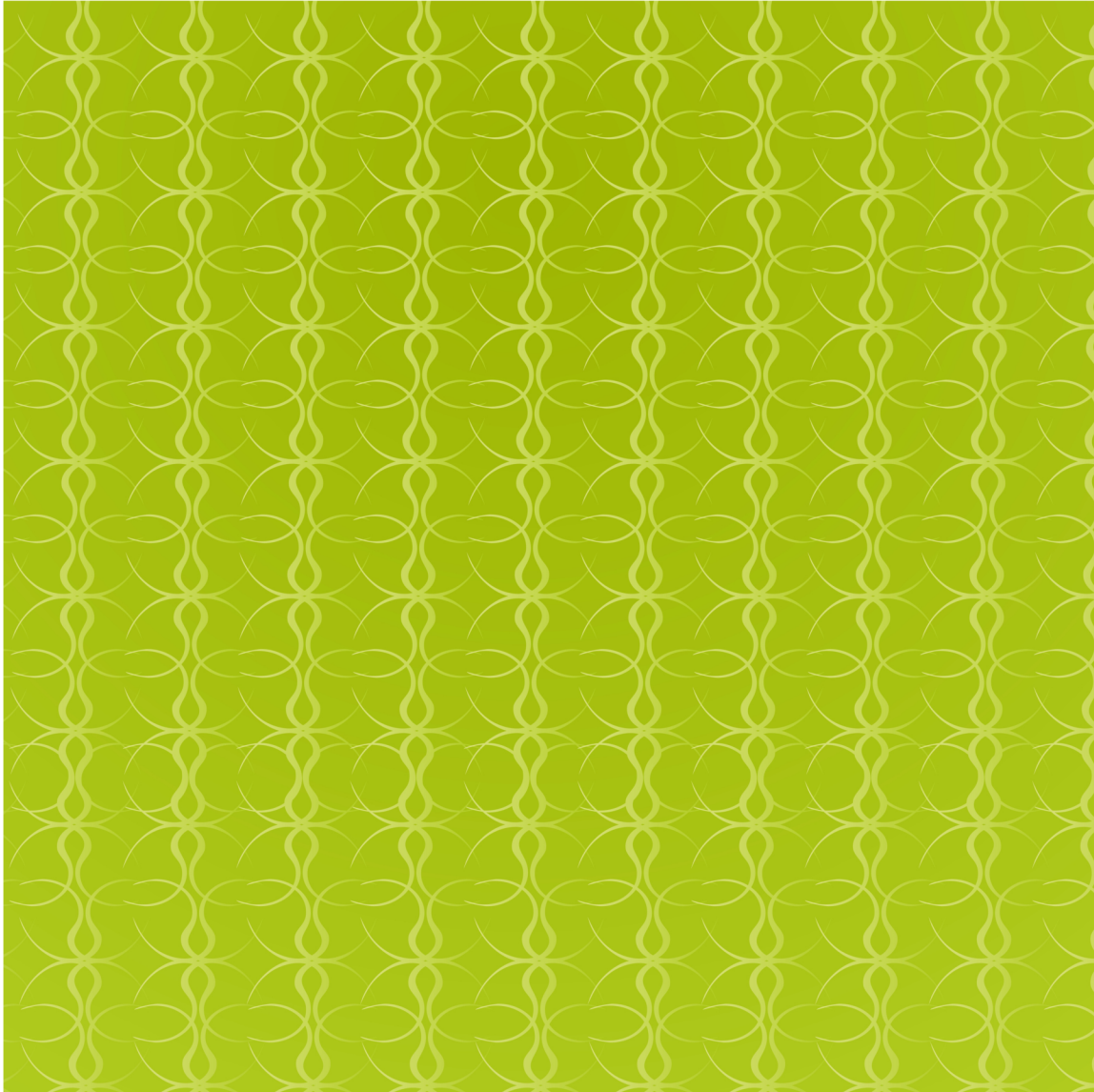
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Origami



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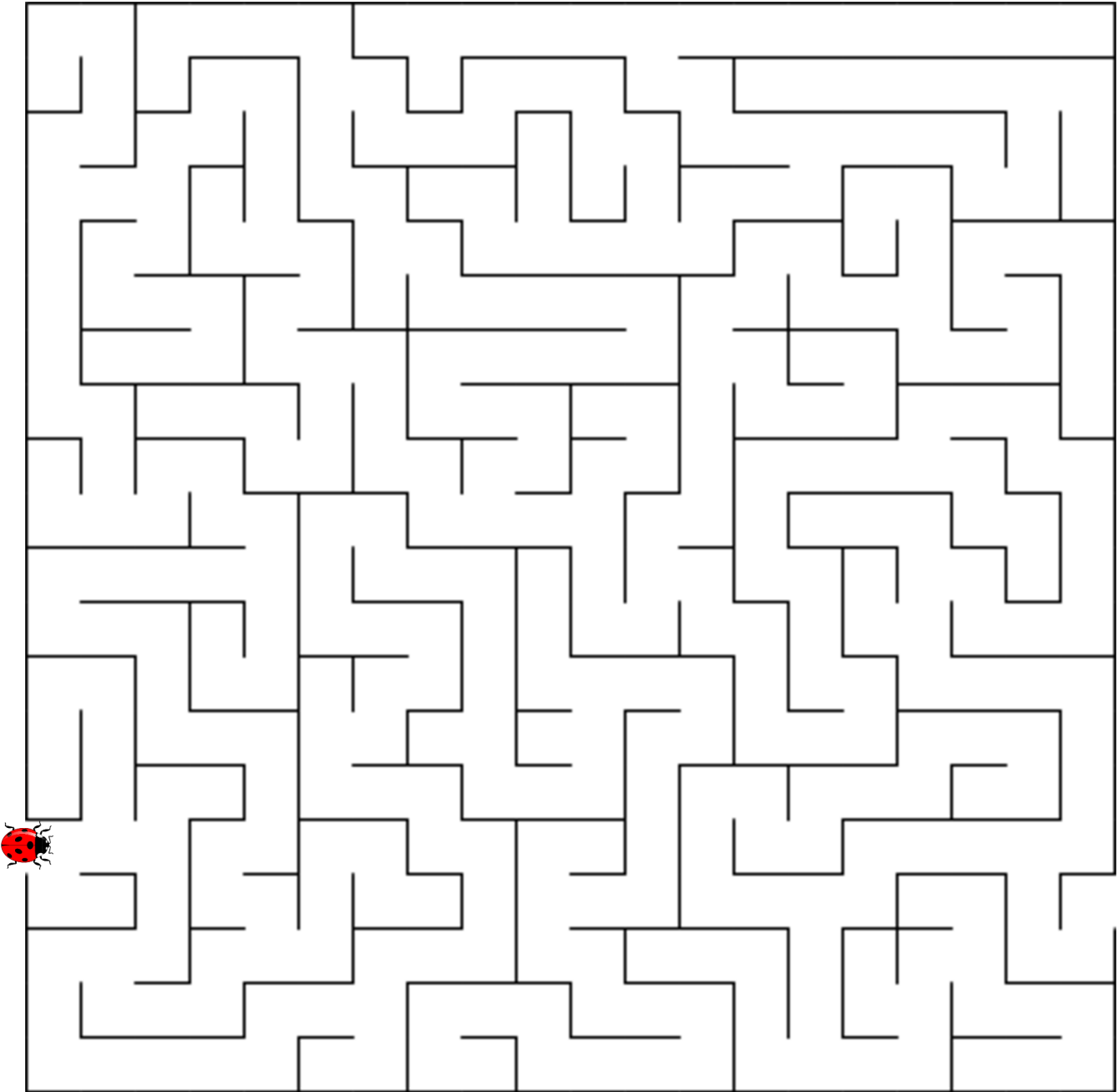
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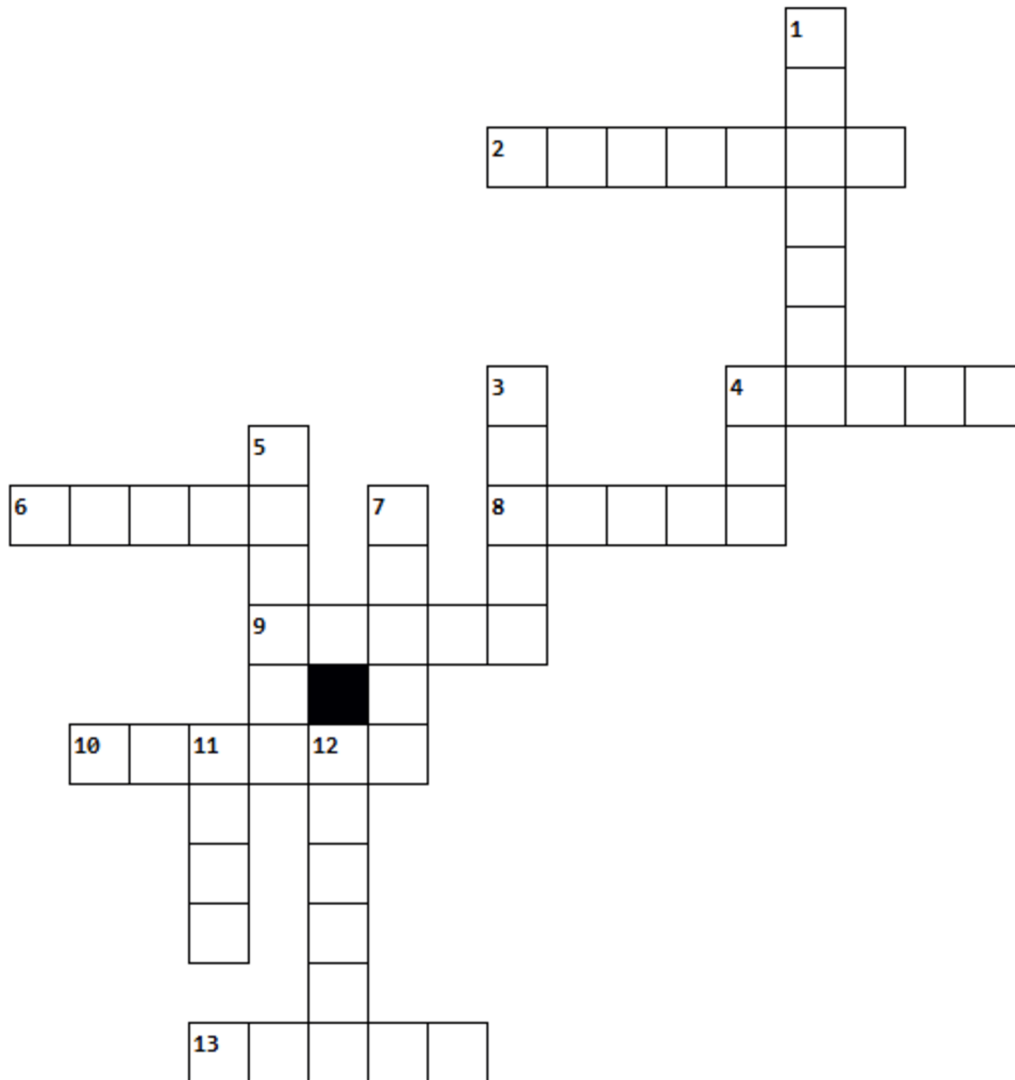
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Crossword Puzzle - Flora

Japanese Culture



Across

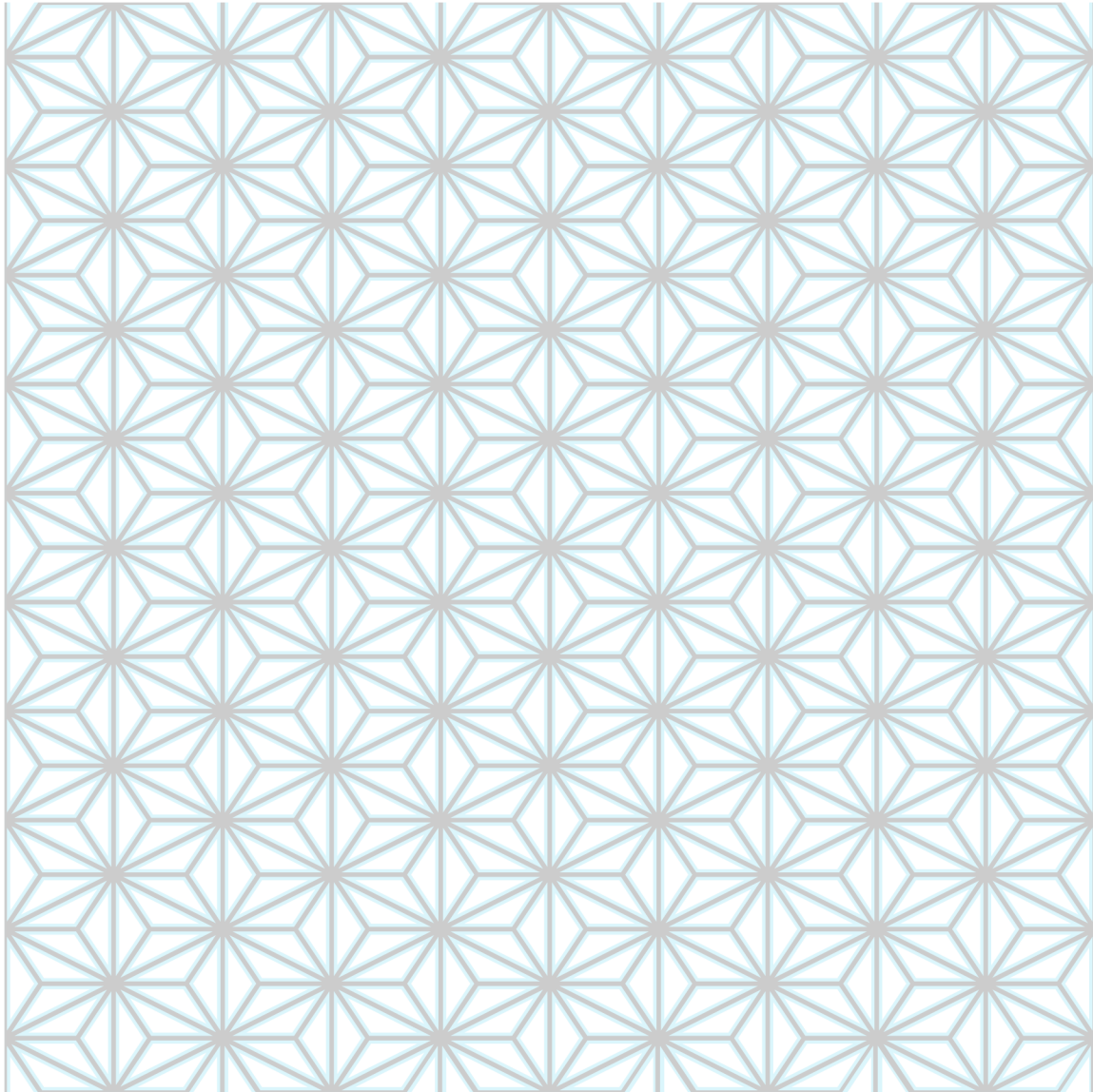
- 2. - Paper-folding art
- 4. - Complex Japanese characters
- 6. - Pan-fried dumplings
- 8. - Chewy rice treat
- 9. - Hot spring bath
- 10. - Spicy green paste
- 13. - 5-7-5 poetry

Down

- 1. - Crispy fried delicacy
- 3. - Noodle soup dish
- 4. - Colorful pond fish
- 5. - Tiered temple structure
- 7. - Vinegared rice rolls
- 11. - Heavyweight wrestling sport
- 12. - Miniature tree art



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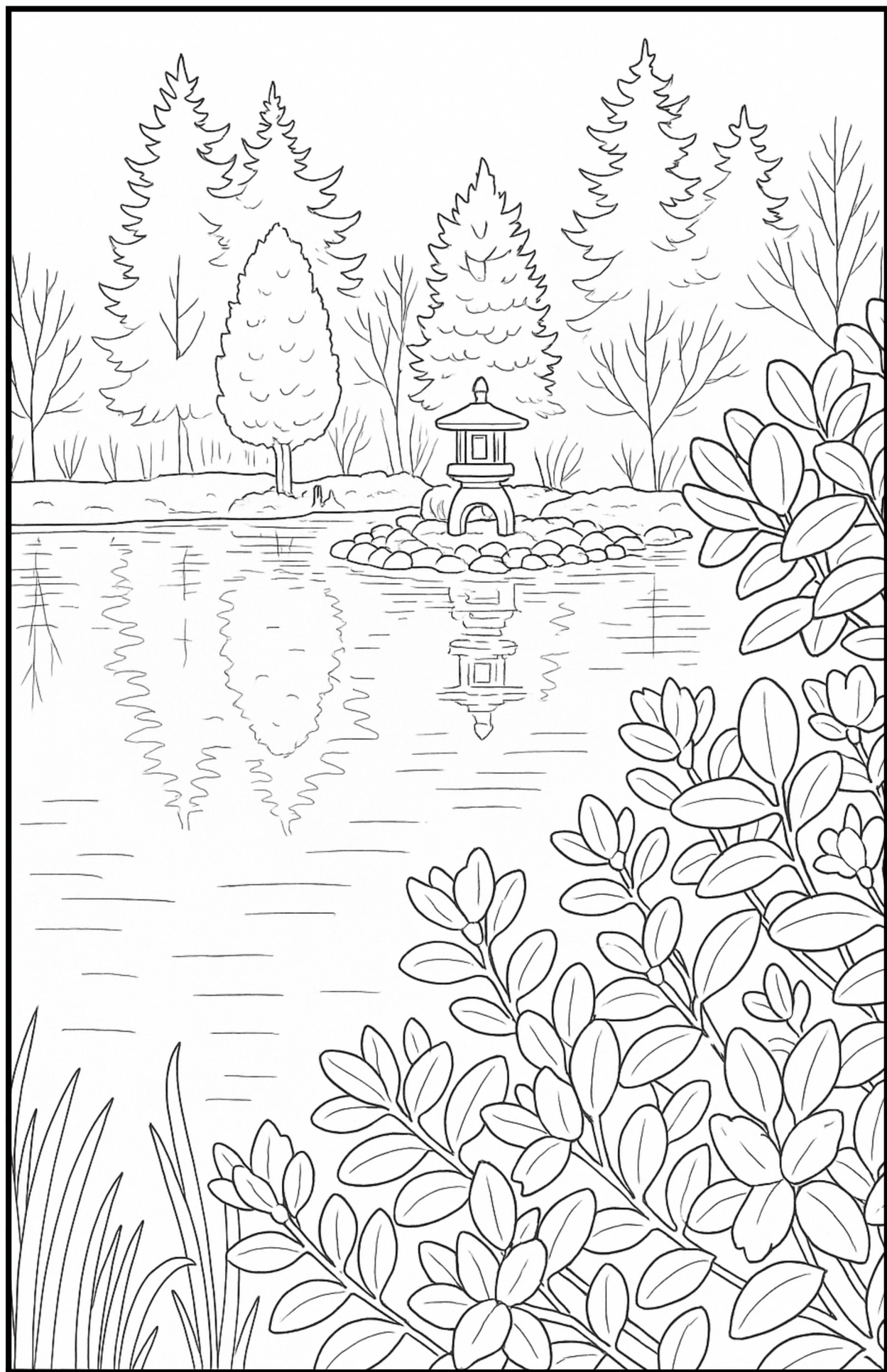
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A E M I K C T N B P J A H V H F I L K M
T S U M A W U H F M W K N P W H B I L J
A N N O D D F H V F L W A A N M A K N S
K O F N Y R O O C G U R L I M H A D B N
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N Q P Z K R Q S A I A I Y W T O P I V Z
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N U H E V P M B N A V H U P F F R H A F

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Kimono
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Sushi
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Zen

