Barn owl across the harvest moon

Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 15 colors



Thread key

			stitches	yards	skeins of floss
●	**DMC 939**	Very Dark Navy Blue	1,080	8	1
■	**DMC 336**	Navy Blue	886	7	1
▲	**DMC 3865**	Winter White	644	5	1
◆	**DMC 436**	Tan	520	4	1
▼	**DMC 433**	Medium Brown	408	3	1
★	**DMC 739**	Ultra Very Light Tan	382	3	1
❖	**DMC 3855**	Light Autumn Gold	248	2	1
X	**DMC 783**	Medium Topaz	236	2	1
O	**DMC 932**	Light Antique Blue	182	2	1
+	**DMC 3820**	Dark Straw	166	2	1
=	**DMC 3853**	Dark Autumn Gold	162	2	1
Z	**DMC 3854**	Medium Autumn Gold	140	1	1
A	**DMC 437**	Light Tan	82	1	1
V	**DMC 3371**	Black Brown	38	1	1
T	**DMC 407**	Dark Desert Sand	10	1	1

One chart square is one tent stitch over one canvas intersection.

Cut the canvas at least 8 x 8 in (20.3 x 20.3 cm) for 18 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

5,184 stitches in all. Start from the center: the red arrows above and to the left of the chart mark it.

Thread: six-strand floss, 4 to 6 strands in the needle on 18 mesh (counted at 6), about 15 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 5, 1 strand, about 15 skeins of 27.3 yd; or Persian wool, 1 strand, about 15 skeins of 8 yd. Wool is numbered differently: match it by eye. Needle: tapestry, size 22.

Yards and skeins are estimates: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 18 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color (about 44 yards in all, as the thread lies in the needle).

Thread colors are approximate screen matches to DMC numbers. Check against real thread before you buy.

Make it an ornament: also have board, thin batting, backing fabric and twisted cord. Stitch two or three extra rows of background all round: the edge of the board takes them. "How to finish an ornament" is a guide linked from this pattern's page.

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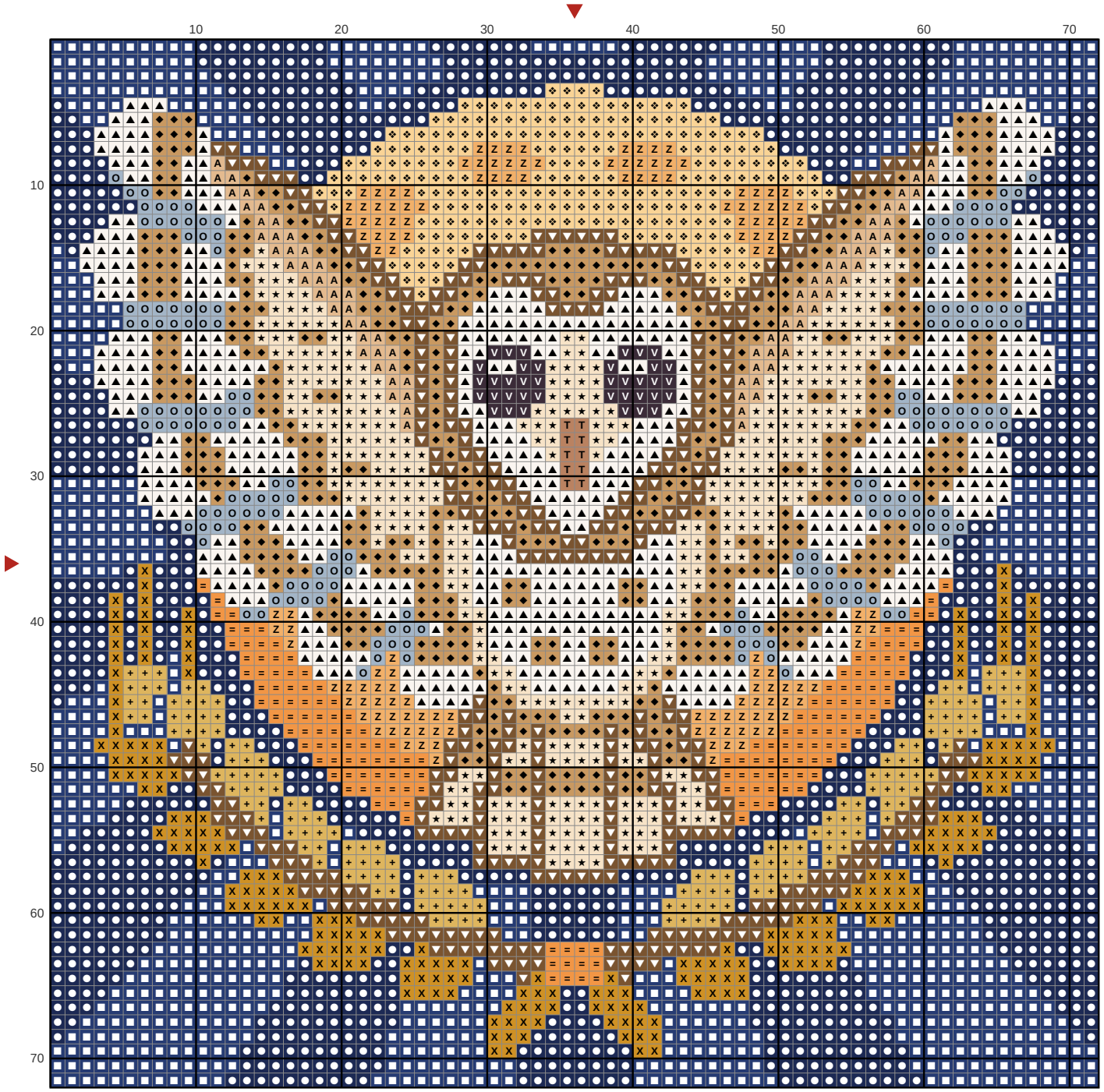
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches



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