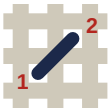
Camper ornament under the stars

Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 16 colors



How to stitch it



1. Each square is one tent stitch, up at 1, down at 2. Lines in continental, right to left, the canvas upside down for the next row; wide areas in basketweave.
2. Cut 18 in of thread. Start and end it without a knot left behind.
3. Mark the middle of the canvas. It is the outlined square, column 36, row 36 (DMC 939): start there. Count threads, not holes.
4. Go on from it: picture first, background last. End the thread before crossing another color. Empty squares stay bare.
5. Last, two more rows all round in DMC 939: the board's edge hides them.

First time? How to needlepoint: flossfield.com/needlepoint/guides/how-to-start/
How to read a chart: flossfield.com/needlepoint/guides/how-to-read-a-chart/

What you need

Canvas: blank mono canvas, 18 mesh (18 threads to the inch), cut 8.5 in square (21.6 cm).

Needle: blunt tapestry, size 22. Also masking tape for the cut edges, and small scissors.

Thread: six-strand floss, 16 colors, about 17 skeins in all (an estimate). Stitch with 4 strands (5 or 6 if canvas shows).

Make it an ornament: board, thin batting, backing fabric and twisted cord.
How to finish an ornament.

Thread list, DMC

			stitches	skeins
●	**939**	Very Dark Navy Blue	964	2
□	**32**	Dark Blueberry	533	1
▲	**29**	Eggplant	348	1
◆	**729**	Medium Old Gold	315	1
▽	**3808**	Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	312	1
★	**712**	Cream	248	1
❖	**351**	Coral	197	1
X	**745**	Light Pale Yellow	184	1
H	**502**	Blue Green	176	1
+	**3835**	Medium Grape	161	1
=	**743**	Medium Yellow	155	1
Z	**435**	Very Light Brown	146	1
A	**3688**	Medium Mauve	104	1
V	**597**	Turquoise	99	1
T	**3743**	Very Light Antique Violet	89	1
N	**3825**	Pale Pumpkin	29	1

Skeins are estimates, with the two extra rows: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 18 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color.

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

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Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- **DMC 939** Very Dark Navy Blue
- **DMC 32** Dark Blueberry
- **DMC 29** Eggplant
- **DMC 729** Medium Old Gold
- **DMC 3808** Ultra Very Dark Turquoise
- **DMC 712** Cream
- **DMC 351** Coral
- **DMC 745** Light Pale Yellow
- **DMC 502** Blue Green
- **DMC 3835** Medium Grape
- **DMC 743** Medium Yellow
- **DMC 435** Very Light Brown
- **DMC 3688** Medium Mauve
- **DMC 597** Turquoise
- **DMC 3743** Very Light Antique Violet
- **DMC 3825** Pale Pumpkin