Carousel horse under the stars

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



Thread key, DMC

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	**939**	Very Dark Navy Blue	755	6	1
■	**ECRU**	Ecru	637	5	1
▲	**3834**	Dark Grape	619	5	1
◆	**3820**	Dark Straw	550	4	1
▼	**3808**	Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	420	3	1
★	**336**	Navy Blue	417	3	1
❖	**29**	Eggplant	379	3	1
X	**26**	Pale Lavender	343	3	1
O	**208**	Very Dark Lavender	293	3	1
+	**154**	Very Dark Grape	162	2	1
=	**340**	Medium Blue Violet	161	2	1
Z	**3836**	Light Grape	160	2	1
A	**712**	Cream	126	1	1
V	**3849**	Light Teal Green	115	1	1
T	**780**	Ultra Very Dark Topaz	47	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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