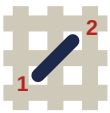
Classic cottage

Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 13 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 728): start there. Count threads, not holes.
4. Go on from it: picture first, background last. End the thread before crossing another color.
5. Last, two more rows all round in DMC 823: 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, 13 colors, about 16 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
●	**823**	Dark Navy Blue	3,384	4
★	**728**	Topaz	509	1
H	**BLANC**	White	240	1
❖	**783**	Medium Topaz	231	1
▼	**782**	Dark Topaz	134	1
◆	**433**	Medium Brown	107	1
+	**702**	Kelly Green	107	1
■	**745**	Light Pale Yellow	106	1
X	**800**	Pale Delft Blue	101	1
▲	**920**	Medium Copper	100	1
=	**700**	Bright Green	85	1
Z	**335**	Rose	48	1
A	**813**	Light Blue	32	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 823** Dark Navy Blue
- **DMC 728** Topaz
- **DMC BLANC** White
- **DMC 783** Medium Topaz
- **DMC 782** Dark Topaz
- **DMC 433** Medium Brown
- **DMC 702** Kelly Green
- **DMC 745** Light Pale Yellow
- **DMC 800** Pale Delft Blue
- **DMC 920** Medium Copper
- **DMC 700** Bright Green
- **DMC 335** Rose
- **DMC 813** Light Blue