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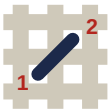
Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 16 colors



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 938): 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 154: 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 18 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
●	**154**	Very Dark Grape	2,267	3
■	**3371**	Black Brown	586	1
▲	**3346**	Hunter Green	324	1
◆	**437**	Light Tan	319	1
▼	**435**	Very Light Brown	255	1
★	**712**	Cream	220	1
❖	**300**	Very Dark Mahogany	192	1
X	**500**	Very Dark Blue Green	184	1
H	**739**	Ultra Very Light Tan	170	1
+	**3325**	Light Baby Blue	157	1
=	**938**	Ultra Dark Coffee Brown	154	1
Z	**3841**	Pale Baby Blue	113	1
A	**334**	Medium Baby Blue	84	1
V	**312**	Very Dark Baby Blue	73	1
T	**3348**	Light Yellow Green	50	1
N	**743**	Medium Yellow	36	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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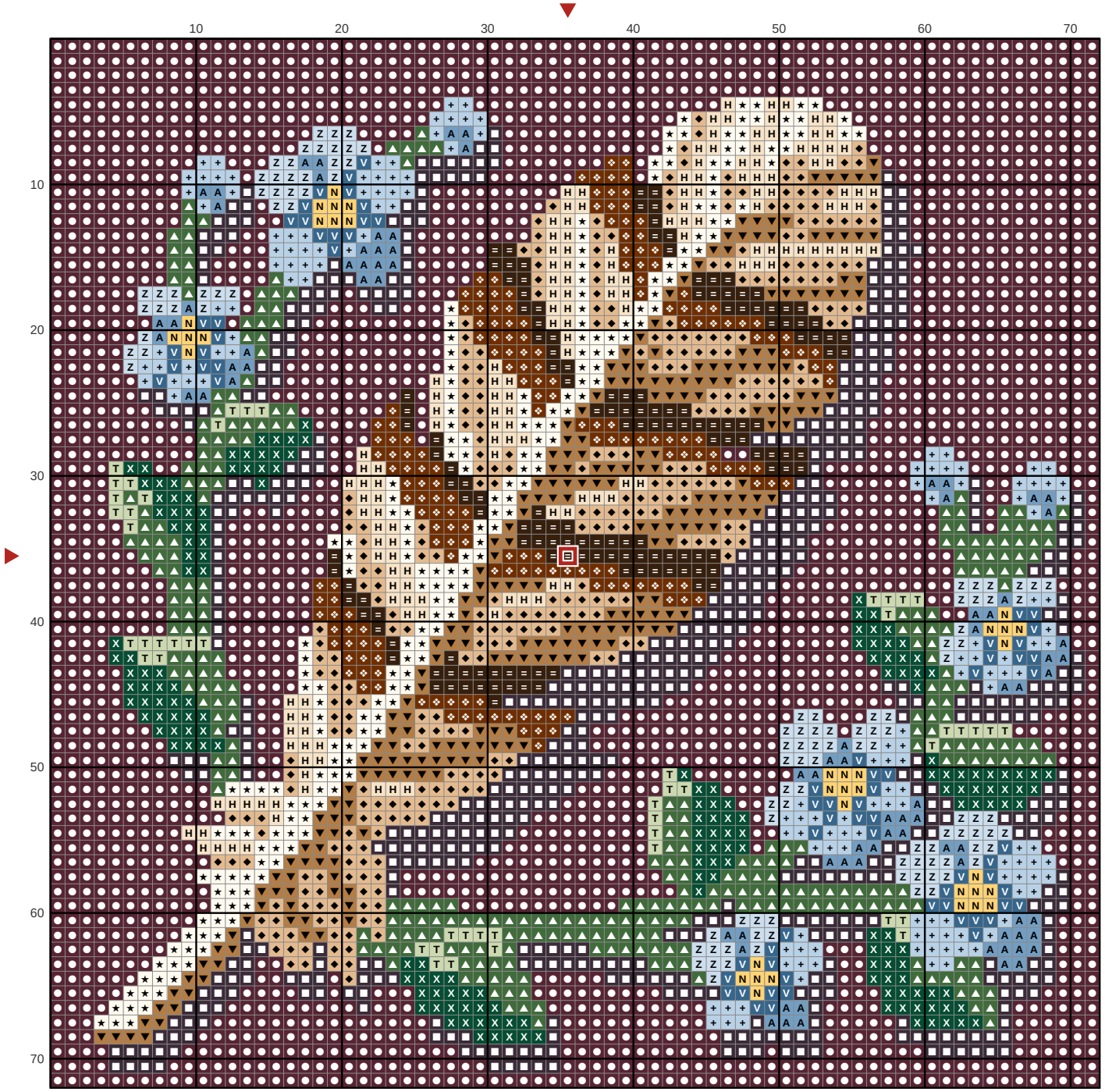
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- **DMC 154** Very Dark Grape
- **DMC 3371** Black Brown
- **DMC 3346** Hunter Green
- **DMC 437** Light Tan
- **DMC 435** Very Light Brown
- **DMC 712** Cream
- **DMC 300** Very Dark Mahogany
- **DMC 500** Very Dark Blue Green
- **DMC 739** Ultra Very Light Tan
- **DMC 3325** Light Baby Blue
- **DMC 938** Ultra Dark Coffee Brown
- **DMC 3841** Pale Baby Blue
- **DMC 334** Medium Baby Blue
- **DMC 312** Very Dark Baby Blue
- **DMC 3348** Light Yellow Green
- **DMC 743** Medium Yellow