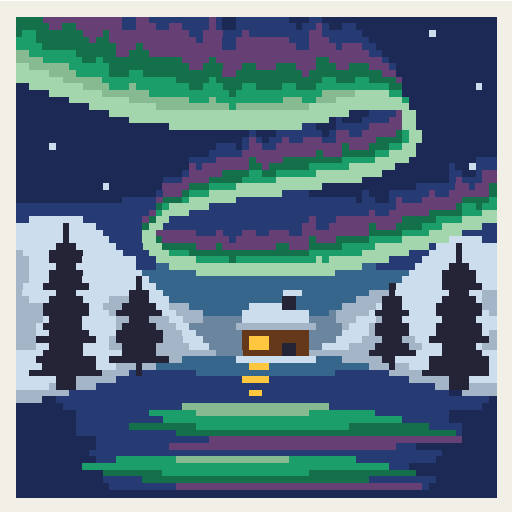
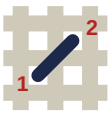
Classic northern lights

Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 14 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 909): 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, each stitch in the color it lies beside: 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, 14 colors, about 15 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	1,099	2
■	**336**	Navy Blue	899	1
▲	**29**	Eggplant	517	1
◆	**3841**	Pale Baby Blue	439	1
▼	**909**	Very Dark Emerald Green	417	1
★	**912**	Light Emerald Green	386	1
❖	**955**	Light Nile Green	377	1
X	**310**	Black	361	1
H	**312**	Very Dark Baby Blue	237	1
+	**932**	Light Antique Blue	219	1
=	**954**	Nile Green	133	1
Z	**931**	Medium Antique Blue	55	1
A	**801**	Dark Coffee Brown	30	1
V	**725**	Medium Light Topaz	15	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 336** Navy Blue
- **DMC 29** Eggplant
- **DMC 3841** Pale Baby Blue
- **DMC 909** Very Dark Emerald Green
- **DMC 912** Light Emerald Green
- **DMC 955** Light Nile Green
- **DMC 310** Black
- **DMC 312** Very Dark Baby Blue
- **DMC 932** Light Antique Blue
- **DMC 954** Nile Green
- **DMC 931** Medium Antique Blue
- **DMC 801** Dark Coffee Brown
- **DMC 725** Medium Light Topaz