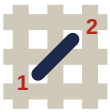
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Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 16 colors



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 926): 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, 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
●	926	Medium Gray Green	1,615	2
■	712	Cream	659	1
▲	739	Ultra Very Light Tan	426	1
◆	3363	Medium Pine Green	348	1
▼	520	Dark Fern Green	323	1
★	436	Tan	306	1
❖	435	Very Light Brown	289	1
X	434	Light Brown	213	1
H	927	Light Gray Green	188	1
+	801	Dark Coffee Brown	182	1
=	437	Light Tan	177	1
Z	738	Very Light Tan	174	1
A	3827	Pale Golden Brown	115	1
V	743	Medium Yellow	66	1
T	3053	Green Gray	53	1
N	3771	Ultra Very Light Terra Cotta	50	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.

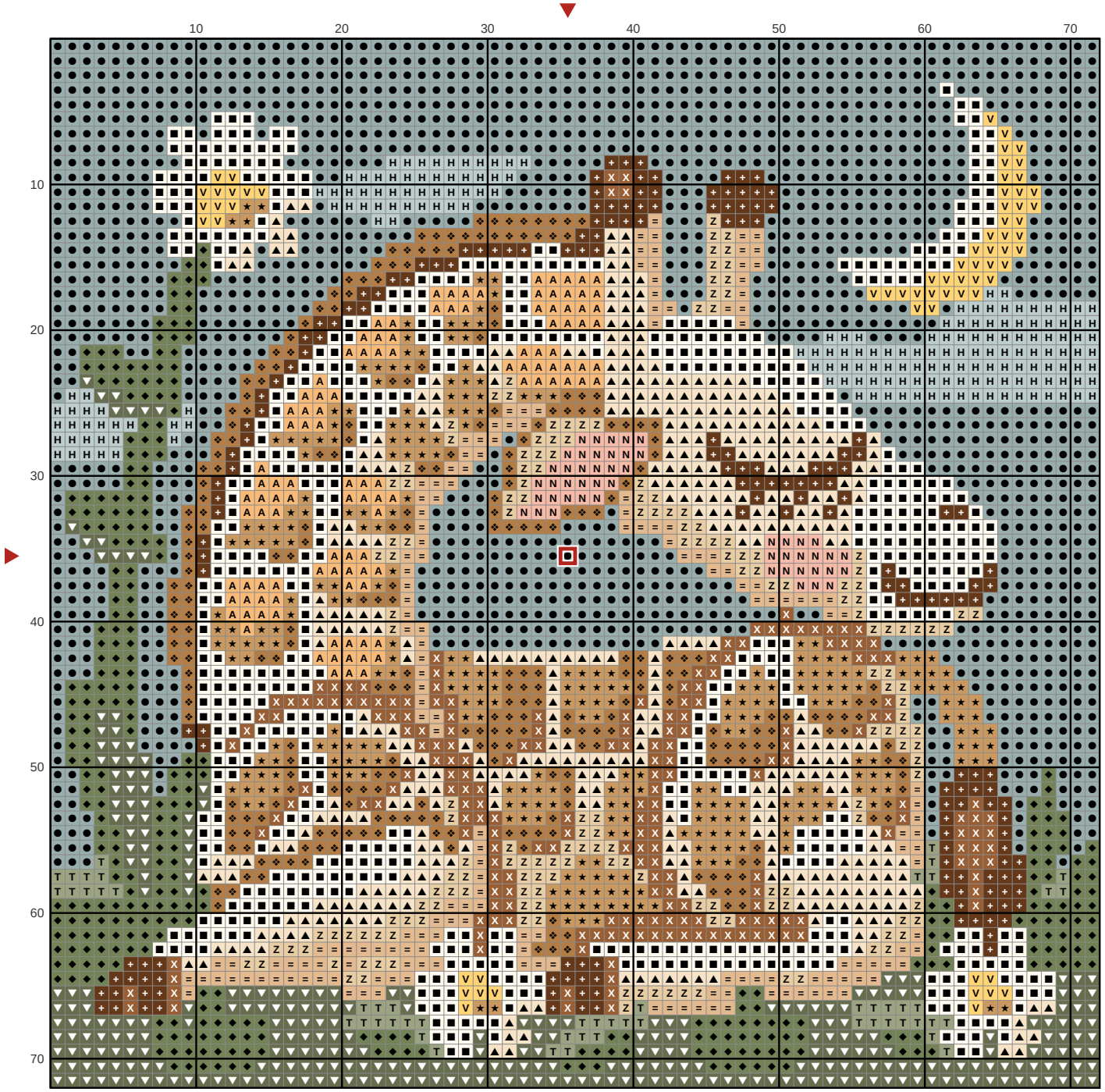
Thread colors are approximate screen matches to DMC numbers. Check against real thread before you buy.

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Needlepoint pattern

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



Key

- ● **DMC 926** Medium Gray Green
- ■ **DMC 712** Cream
- ▲ **DMC 739** Ultra Very Light Tan
- ◆ **DMC 3363** Medium Pine Green
- ▼ **DMC 520** Dark Fern Green
- ★ **DMC 436** Tan
- ❖ **DMC 435** Very Light Brown
- X **DMC 434** Light Brown
- H **DMC 927** Light Gray Green
- \+ **DMC 801** Dark Coffee Brown
- = **DMC 437** Light Tan
- Z **DMC 738** Very Light Tan
- A **DMC 3827** Pale Golden Brown
- V **DMC 743** Medium Yellow
- T **DMC 3053** Green Gray
- N **DMC 3771** Ultra Very Light Terra Cotta