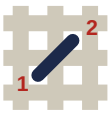
Classic orange blossom wreath

Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 11 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 823): 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, 11 colors, about 14 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	3,508	4
▼	**BLANC**	White	482	1
▲	**700**	Bright Green	362	1
★	**890**	Ultra Dark Pistachio Green	262	1
■	**702**	Kelly Green	252	1
H	**970**	Light Pumpkin	88	1
◆	**955**	Light Nile Green	76	1
X	**800**	Pale Delft Blue	74	1
+	**900**	Dark Burnt Orange	44	1
❖	**726**	Light Topaz	20	1
=	**3854**	Medium Autumn Gold	16	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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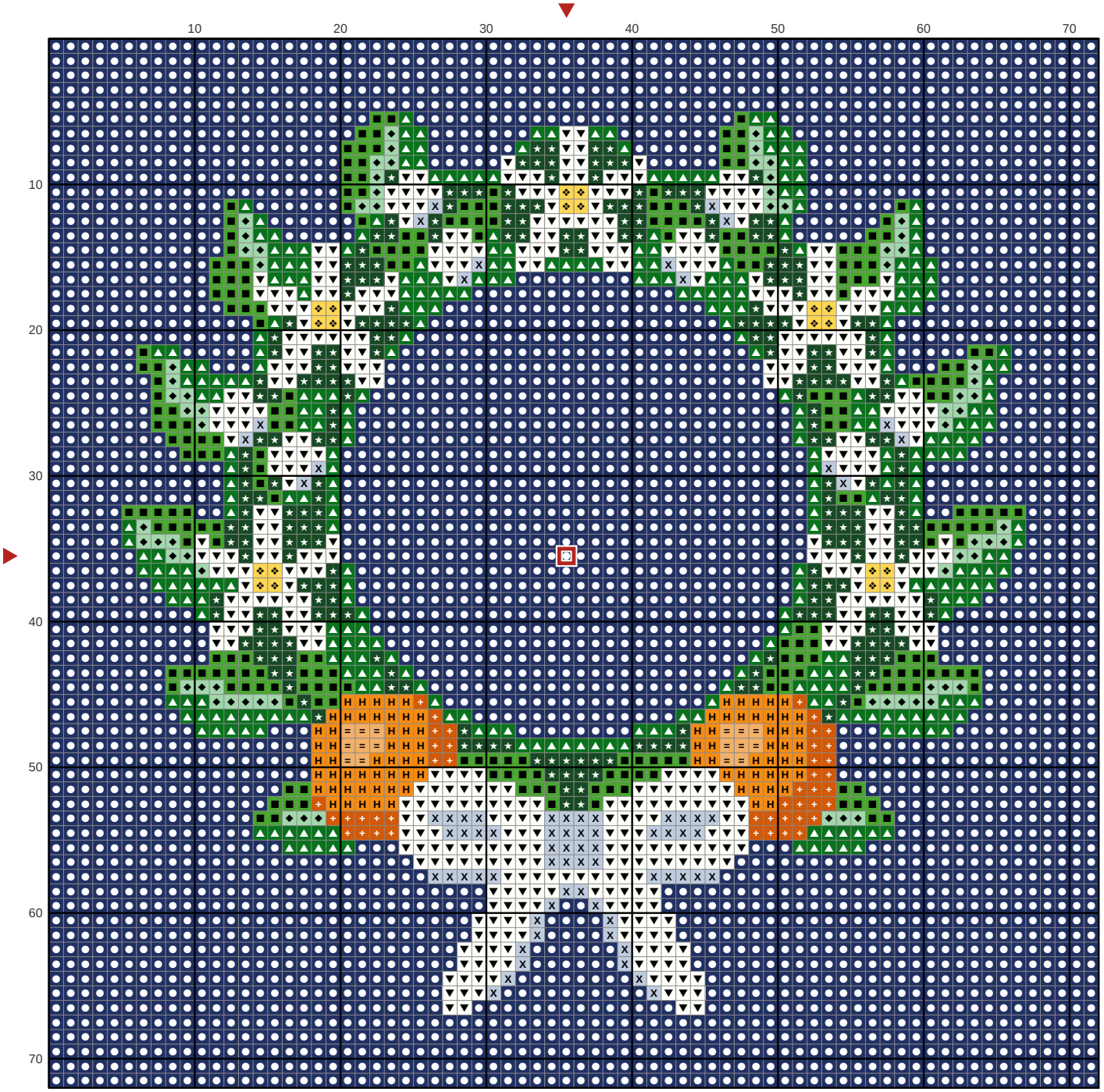
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- **DMC 823** Dark Navy Blue
- **DMC BLANC** White
- **DMC 700** Bright Green
- **DMC 890** Ultra Dark Pistachio Green
- **DMC 702** Kelly Green
- **DMC 970** Light Pumpkin
- **DMC 955** Light Nile Green
- **DMC 800** Pale Delft Blue
- **DMC 900** Dark Burnt Orange
- **DMC 726** Light Topaz
- **DMC 3854** Medium Autumn Gold