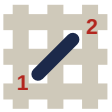
Classic pear

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 3822): 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
●	**939**	Very Dark Navy Blue	1,749	2
■	**823**	Dark Navy Blue	465	1
▲	**433**	Medium Brown	392	1
◆	**3822**	Light Straw	358	1
▼	**734**	Light Olive Green	333	1
★	**938**	Ultra Dark Coffee Brown	267	1
❖	**898**	Very Dark Coffee Brown	264	1
X	**3820**	Dark Straw	232	1
H	**732**	Olive Green	215	1
+	**435**	Very Light Brown	200	1
=	**3777**	Very Dark Terra Cotta	191	1
Z	**936**	Very Dark Avocado Green	175	1
A	**3830**	Terra Cotta	165	1
V	**3347**	Medium Yellow Green	80	1
T	**3823**	Ultra Pale Yellow	50	1
N	**3778**	Light Terra Cotta	48	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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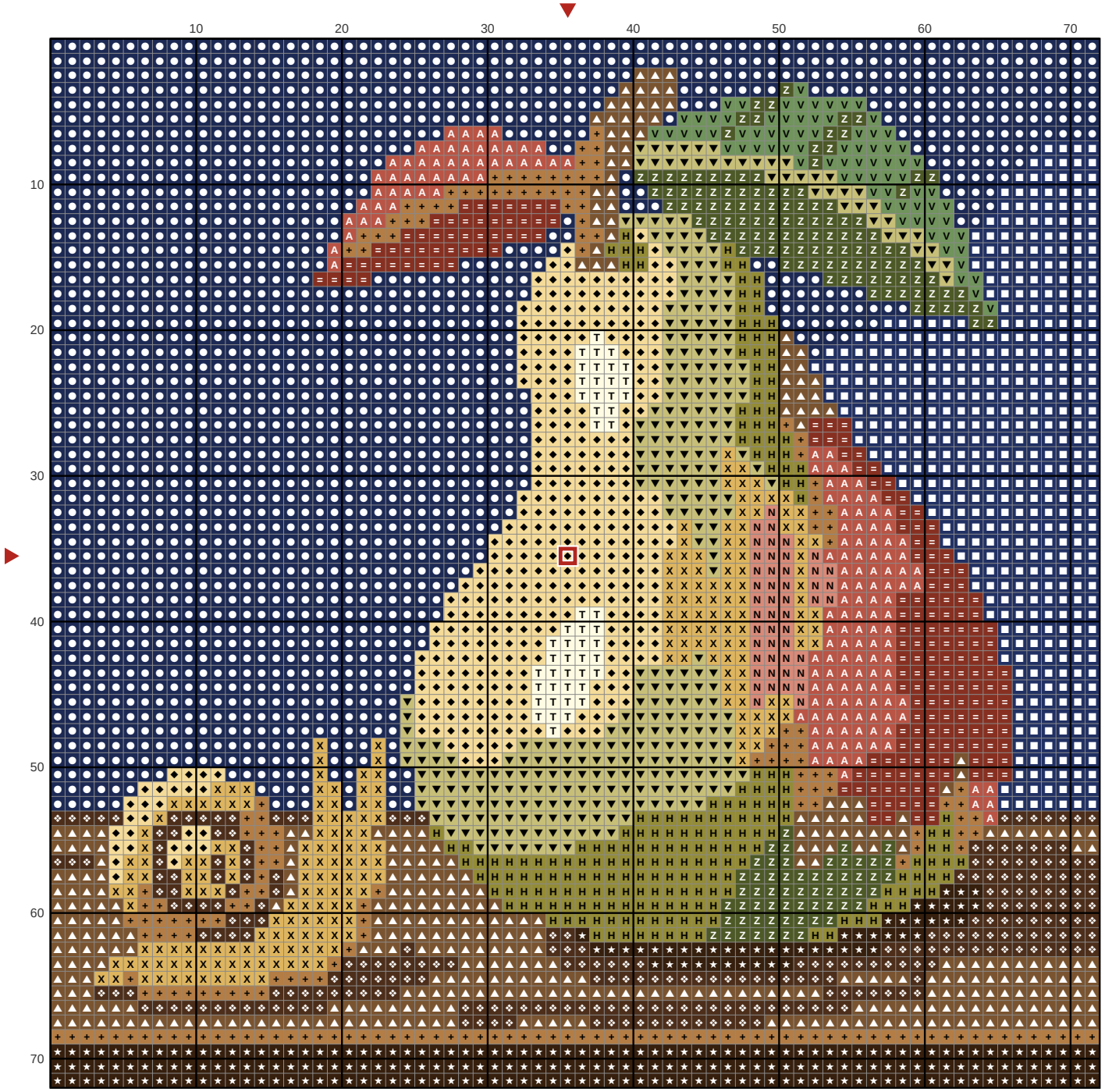
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

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- **DMC 734** Light Olive Green
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- **DMC 898** Very Dark Coffee Brown
- **DMC 3820** Dark Straw
- **DMC 732** Olive Green
- **DMC 435** Very Light Brown
- **DMC 3777** Very Dark Terra Cotta
- **DMC 936** Very Dark Avocado Green
- **DMC 3830** Terra Cotta
- **DMC 3347** Medium Yellow Green
- **DMC 3823** Ultra Pale Yellow
- **DMC 3778** Light Terra Cotta