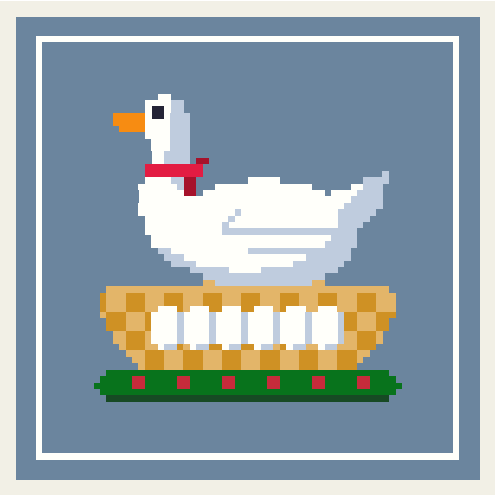
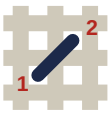
Classic six geese a-laying

Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 12 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 BLANC): 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 931: 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, 12 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
●	**931**	Medium Antique Blue	3,539	4
■	**BLANC**	White	769	1
▲	**800**	Pale Delft Blue	238	1
X	**728**	Topaz	206	1
H	**783**	Medium Topaz	160	1
+	**700**	Bright Green	160	1
Z	**890**	Ultra Dark Pistachio Green	44	1
=	**321**	Red	24	1
❖	**666**	Bright Red	18	1
▼	**970**	Light Pumpkin	14	1
★	**498**	Dark Red	8	1
◆	**310**	Black	4	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.

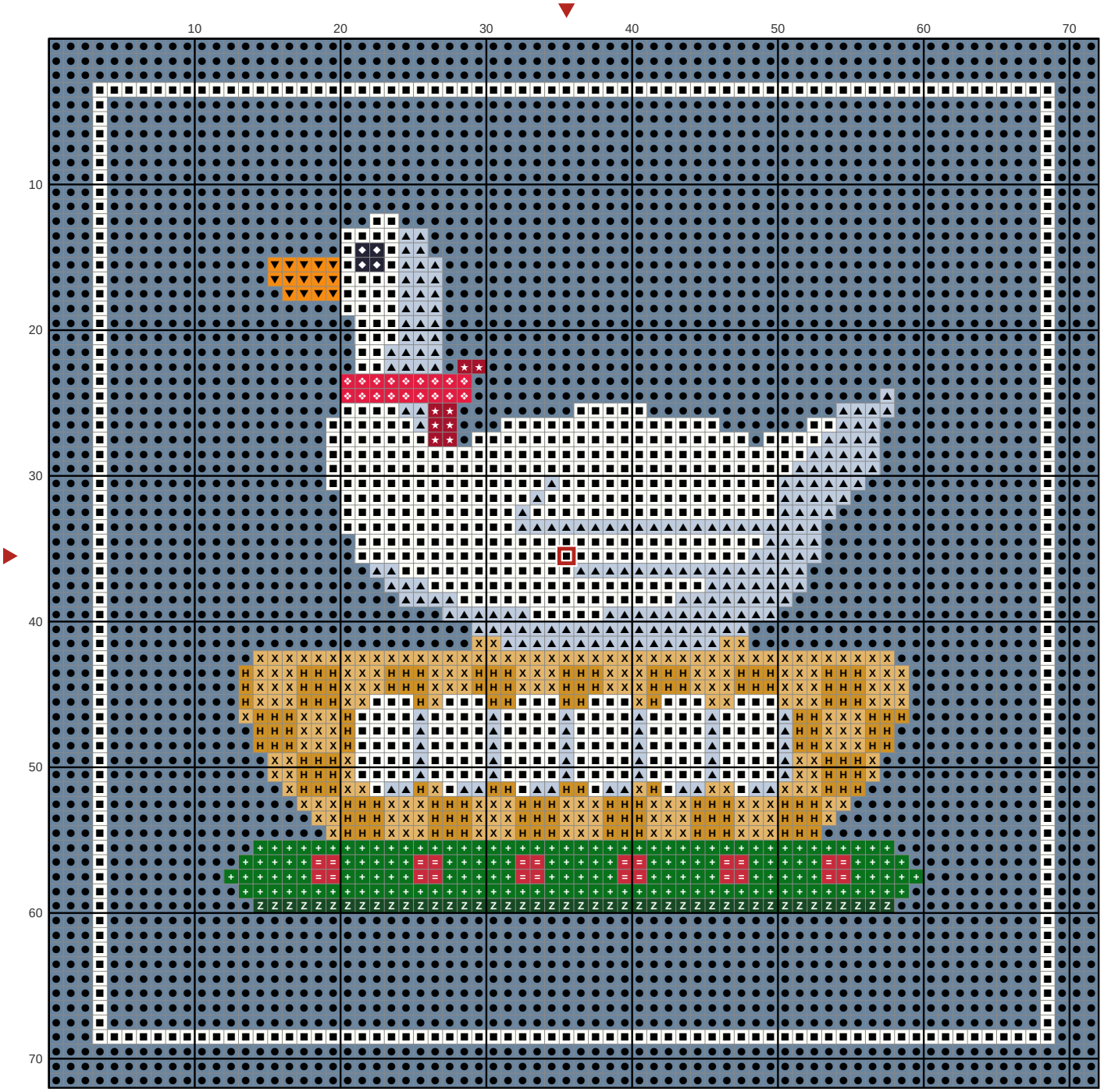
Thread colors are approximate screen matches to DMC numbers. Check against real thread before you buy.

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Needlepoint pattern

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



Key

- ● **DMC 931** Medium Antique Blue
- ■ **DMC BLANC** White
- ▲ **DMC 800** Pale Delft Blue
- X **DMC 728** Topaz
- H **DMC 783** Medium Topaz
- \+ **DMC 700** Bright Green
- Z **DMC 890** Ultra Dark Pistachio Green
- = **DMC 321** Red
- ❖ **DMC 666** Bright Red
- ▼ **DMC 970** Light Pumpkin
- ★ **DMC 498** Dark Red
- ◆ **DMC 310** Black