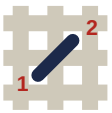
Classic sleeping cat

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 970): 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 ECRU: 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 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
●	**ECRU**	Ecru	3,068	3
■	**799**	Medium Delft Blue	724	1
X	**970**	Light Pumpkin	501	1
▼	**798**	Dark Delft Blue	225	1
◆	**809**	Delft Blue	218	1
❖	**900**	Dark Burnt Orange	161	1
Z	**BLANC**	White	83	1
★	**3854**	Medium Autumn Gold	80	1
H	**920**	Medium Copper	64	1
▲	**783**	Medium Topaz	40	1
=	**898**	Very Dark Coffee Brown	12	1
+	**3326**	Light Rose	8	1

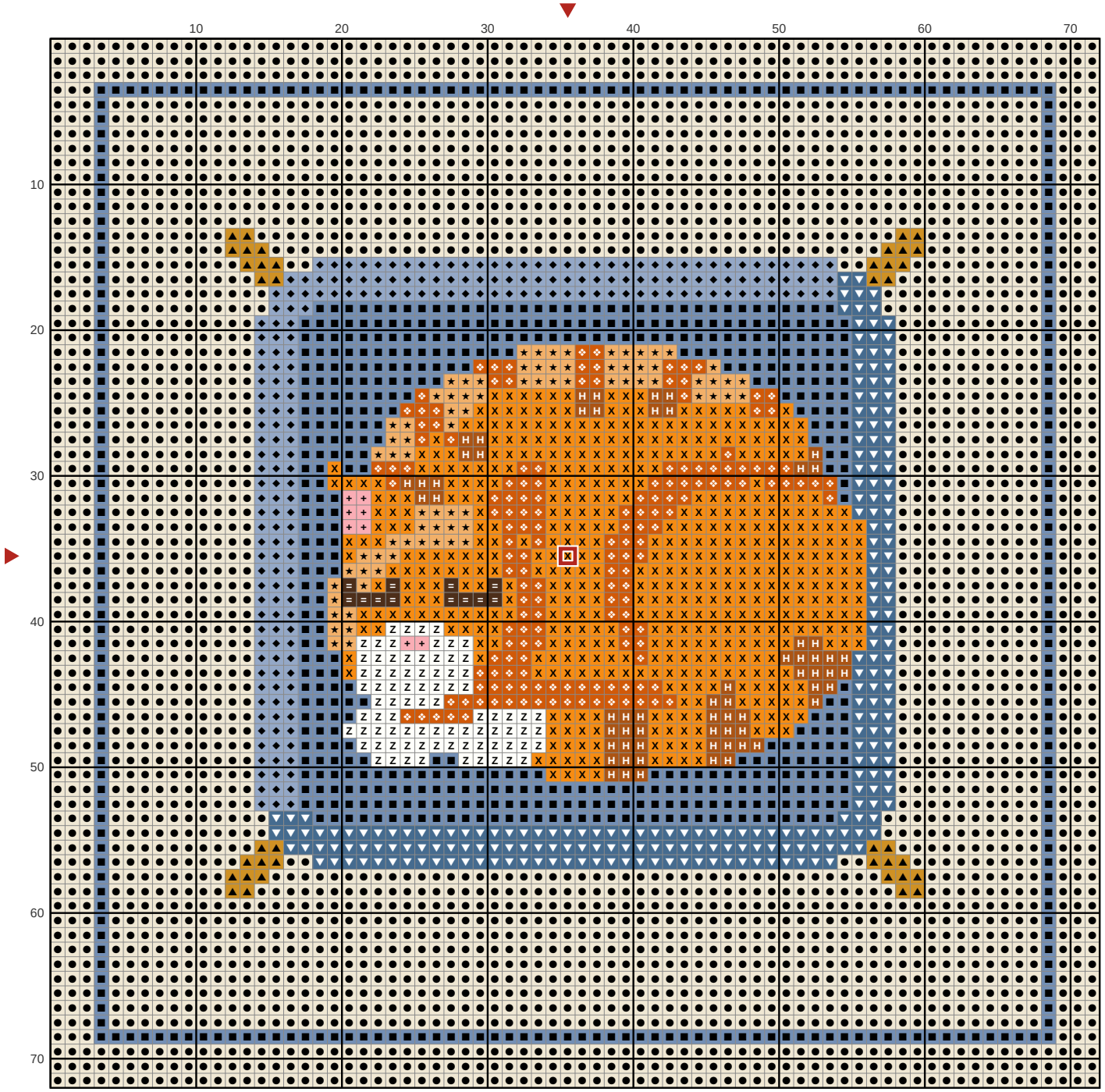
Skeins are estimates, with the two extra rows: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 18 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color.

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 ECRU** Ecru
- ■ **DMC 799** Medium Delft Blue
- X **DMC 970** Light Pumpkin
- ▼ **DMC 798** Dark Delft Blue
- ◆ **DMC 809** Delft Blue
- ❖ **DMC 900** Dark Burnt Orange
- Z **DMC BLANC** White
- ★ **DMC 3854** Medium Autumn Gold
- H **DMC 920** Medium Copper
- ▲ **DMC 783** Medium Topaz
- = **DMC 898** Very Dark Coffee Brown
- \+ **DMC 3326** Light Rose