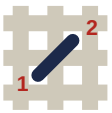
Classic takeout box

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 415): 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 3812: 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
●	**3812**	Very Dark Seagreen	4,054	4
X	**BLANC**	White	425	1
◆	**415**	Pearl Gray	171	1
▼	**3325**	Light Baby Blue	168	1
■	**728**	Topaz	93	1
=	**666**	Bright Red	90	1
❖	**745**	Light Pale Yellow	86	1
▲	**783**	Medium Topaz	38	1
★	**809**	Delft Blue	29	1
+	**702**	Kelly Green	17	1
H	**970**	Light Pumpkin	13	1

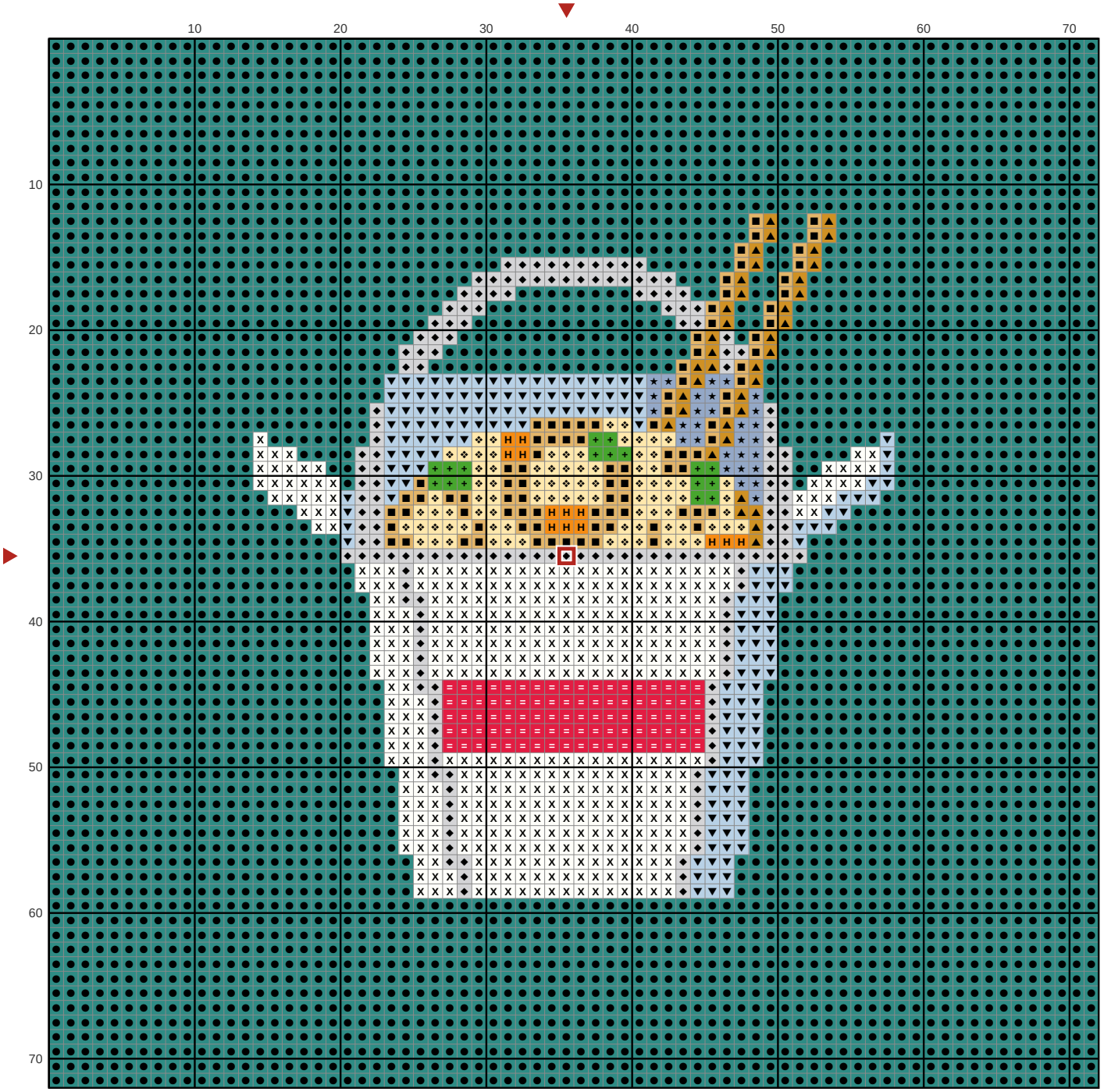
Skeins are estimates, with the two extra rows: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 18 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color.

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 3812** Very Dark Seagreen
- X **DMC BLANC** White
- ◆ **DMC 415** Pearl Gray
- ▼ **DMC 3325** Light Baby Blue
- ■ **DMC 728** Topaz
- = **DMC 666** Bright Red
- ❖ **DMC 745** Light Pale Yellow
- ▲ **DMC 783** Medium Topaz
- ★ **DMC 809** Delft Blue
- \+ **DMC 702** Kelly Green
- H **DMC 970** Light Pumpkin