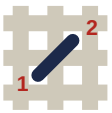
Folk art tent

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 436): 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, 11 colors, about 13 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
●	**3811**	Very Light Turquoise	2,123	2
=	**702**	Kelly Green	1,314	2
■	**890**	Ultra Dark Pistachio Green	574	1
◆	**726**	Light Topaz	216	1
H	**823**	Dark Navy Blue	216	1
X	**970**	Light Pumpkin	196	1
★	**738**	Very Light Tan	166	1
▲	**909**	Very Dark Emerald Green	141	1
❖	**900**	Dark Burnt Orange	112	1
+	**433**	Medium Brown	64	1
▼	**436**	Tan	62	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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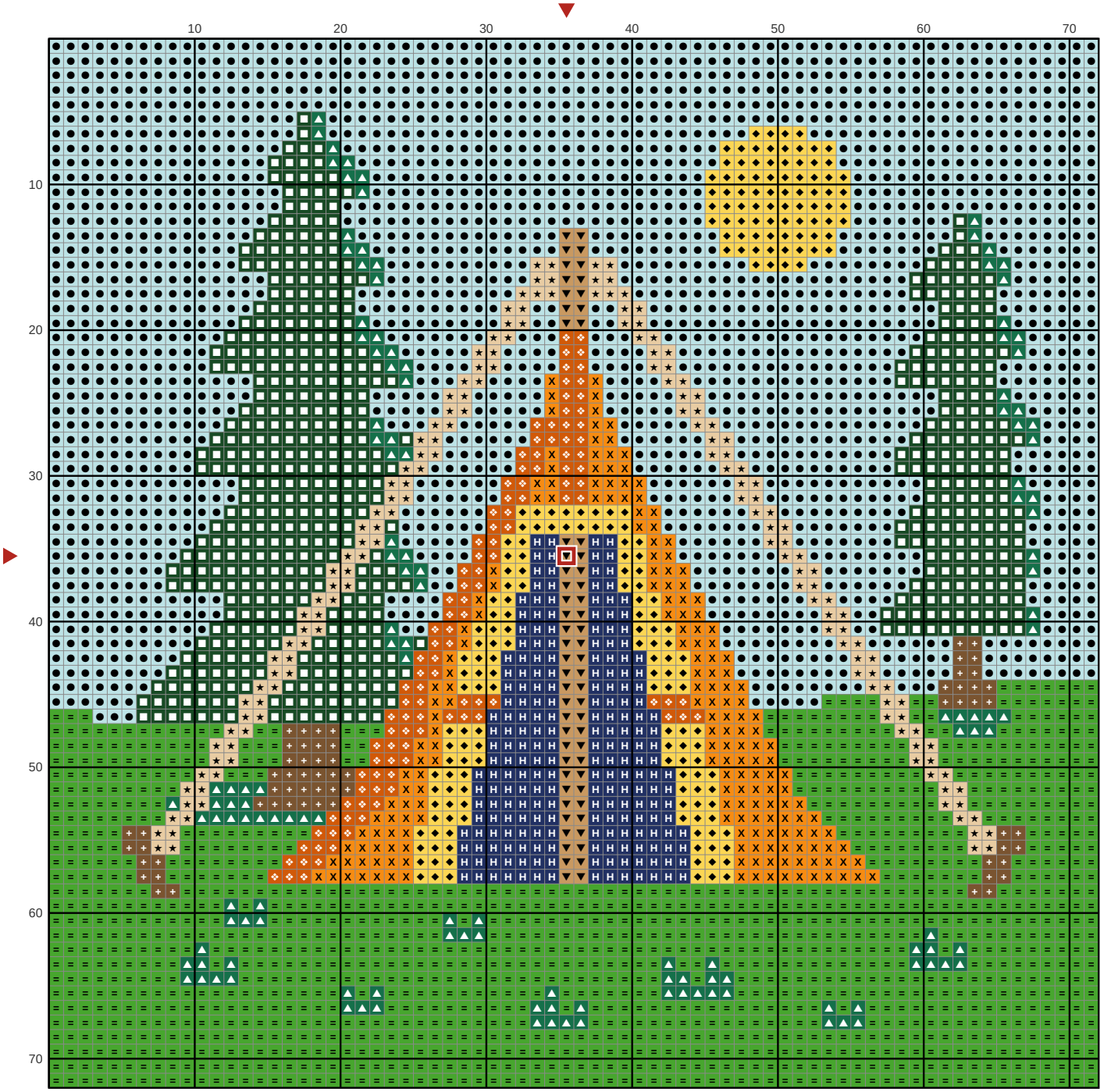
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- ● **DMC 3811** Very Light Turquoise
- = **DMC 702** Kelly Green
- □ **DMC 890** Ultra Dark Pistachio Green
- ◆ **DMC 726** Light Topaz
- H **DMC 823** Dark Navy Blue
- X **DMC 970** Light Pumpkin
- ★ **DMC 738** Very Light Tan
- ▲ **DMC 909** Very Dark Emerald Green
- ❖ **DMC 900** Dark Burnt Orange
- \+ **DMC 433** Medium Brown
- ▼ **DMC 436** Tan