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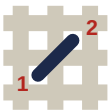
Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 16 colors



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 3865): 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
●	677	Very Light Old Gold	1,732	2
□	801	Dark Coffee Brown	636	1
▲	522	Fern Green	512	1
◆	347	Very Dark Salmon	414	1
▼	520	Dark Fern Green	358	1
★	3820	Dark Straw	330	1
❖	312	Very Dark Baby Blue	216	1
X	823	Dark Navy Blue	206	1
H	3865	Winter White	162	1
+	3045	Dark Yellow Beige	160	1
=	318	Light Steel Gray	156	1
Z	334	Medium Baby Blue	126	1
A	815	Medium Garnet	68	1
V	780	Ultra Very Dark Topaz	36	1
T	3862	Dark Mocha Beige	36	1
N	317	Pewter Gray	36	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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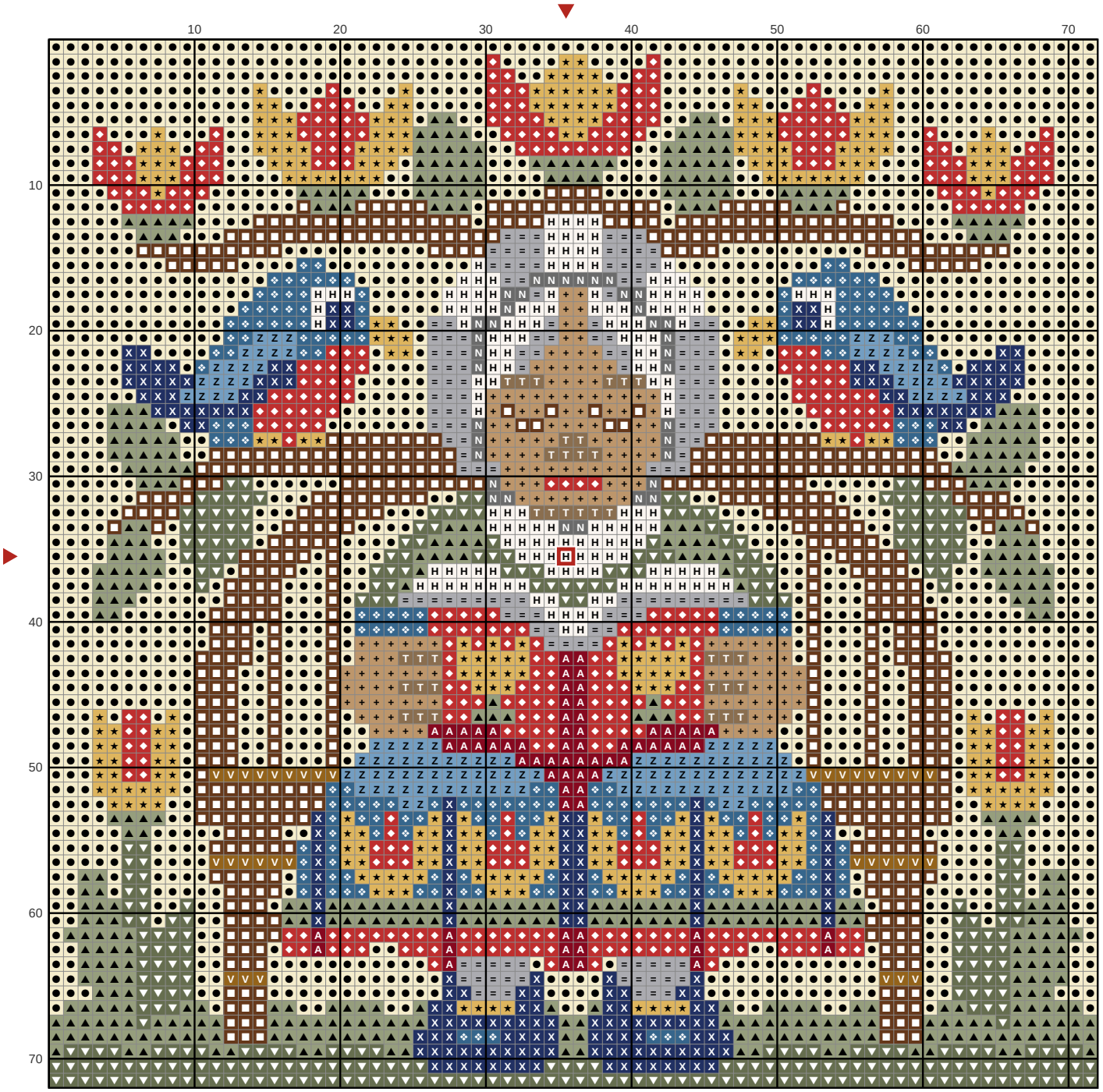
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- ● **DMC 677** Very Light Old Gold
- □ **DMC 801** Dark Coffee Brown
- ▲ **DMC 522** Fern Green
- ◆ **DMC 347** Very Dark Salmon
- ▼ **DMC 520** Dark Fern Green
- ★ **DMC 3820** Dark Straw
- ❖ **DMC 312** Very Dark Baby Blue
- X **DMC 823** Dark Navy Blue
- H **DMC 3865** Winter White
- \+ **DMC 3045** Dark Yellow Beige
- = **DMC 318** Light Steel Gray
- Z **DMC 334** Medium Baby Blue
- A **DMC 815** Medium Garnet
- V **DMC 780** Ultra Very Dark Topaz
- T **DMC 3862** Dark Mocha Beige
- N **DMC 317** Pewter Gray