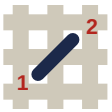
Harlequin bauble ornament

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 321): start there. Count threads, not holes.
4. Go on from it: picture first, background last. End the thread before crossing another color. Empty squares stay bare.
5. Last, two more rows all round in DMC 498: 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 16 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
●	**823**	Dark Navy Blue	1,048	1
■	**498**	Dark Red	607	1
▲	**3820**	Dark Straw	512	1
◆	**3766**	Light Peacock Blue	292	1
▼	**321**	Red	251	1
★	**739**	Ultra Very Light Tan	235	1
❖	**738**	Very Light Tan	202	1
X	**BLANC**	White	164	1
H	**437**	Light Tan	163	1
+	**3765**	Very Dark Peacock Blue	140	1
=	**815**	Medium Garnet	125	1
Z	**747**	Very Light Sky Blue	106	1
A	**666**	Bright Red	101	1
V	**780**	Ultra Very Dark Topaz	82	1
T	**3705**	Dark Melon	18	1
N	**783**	Medium Topaz	14	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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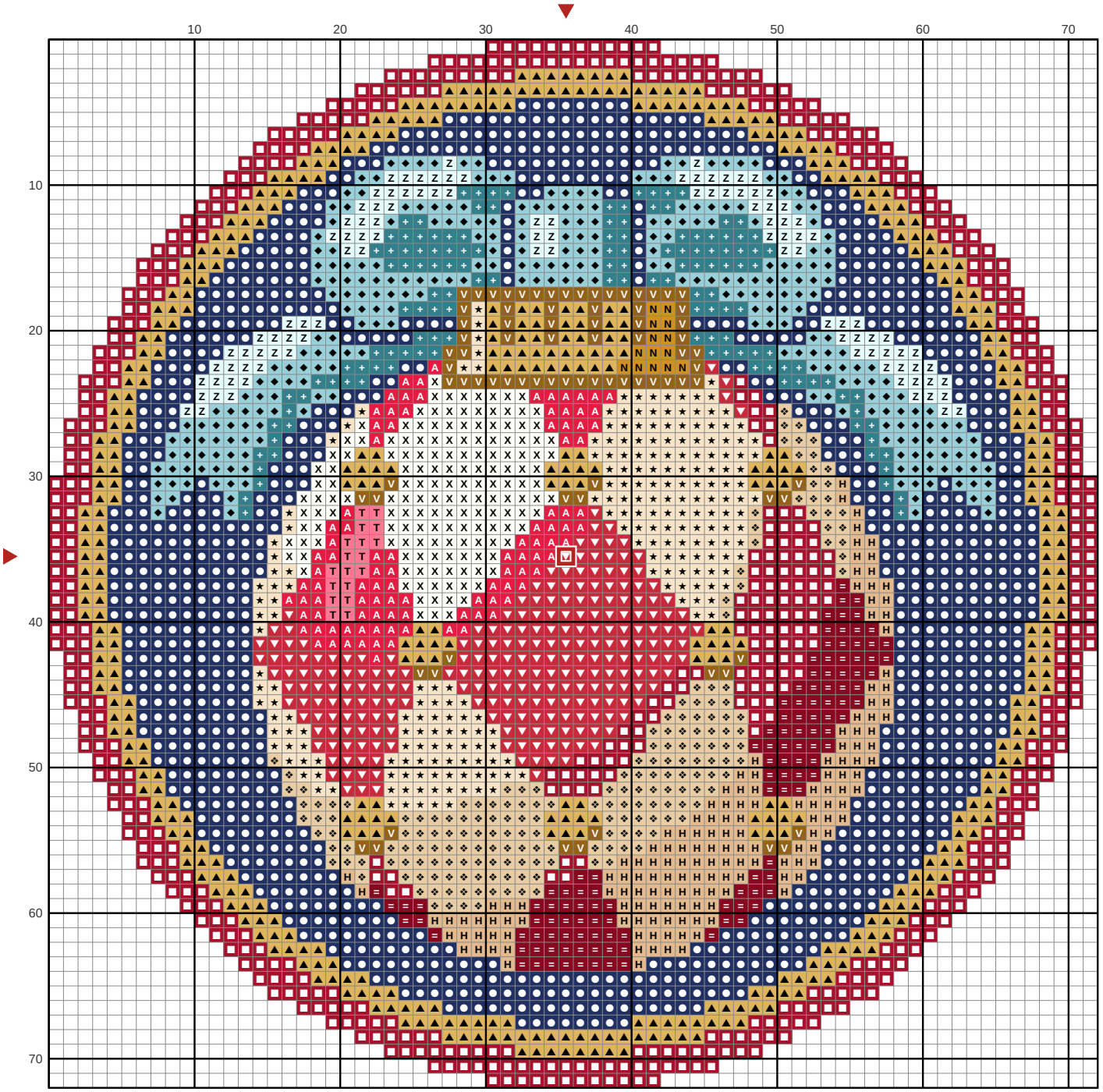
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

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