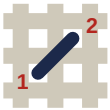
Rabbi reading with his cat

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 950): 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
●	**3808**	Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	1,141	2
■	**3799**	Very Dark Pewter Gray	654	1
▲	**3810**	Dark Turquoise	527	1
◆	**3777**	Very Dark Terra Cotta	428	1
▼	**920**	Medium Copper	353	1
★	**930**	Dark Antique Blue	350	1
❖	**739**	Ultra Very Light Tan	319	1
X	**922**	Light Copper	312	1
H	**318**	Light Steel Gray	222	1
+	**3822**	Light Straw	184	1
=	**21**	Light Alizarin	167	1
Z	**732**	Olive Green	157	1
A	**414**	Dark Steel Gray	126	1
V	**950**	Light Desert Sand	102	1
T	**762**	Very Light Pearl Gray	91	1
N	**3772**	Very Dark Desert Sand	51	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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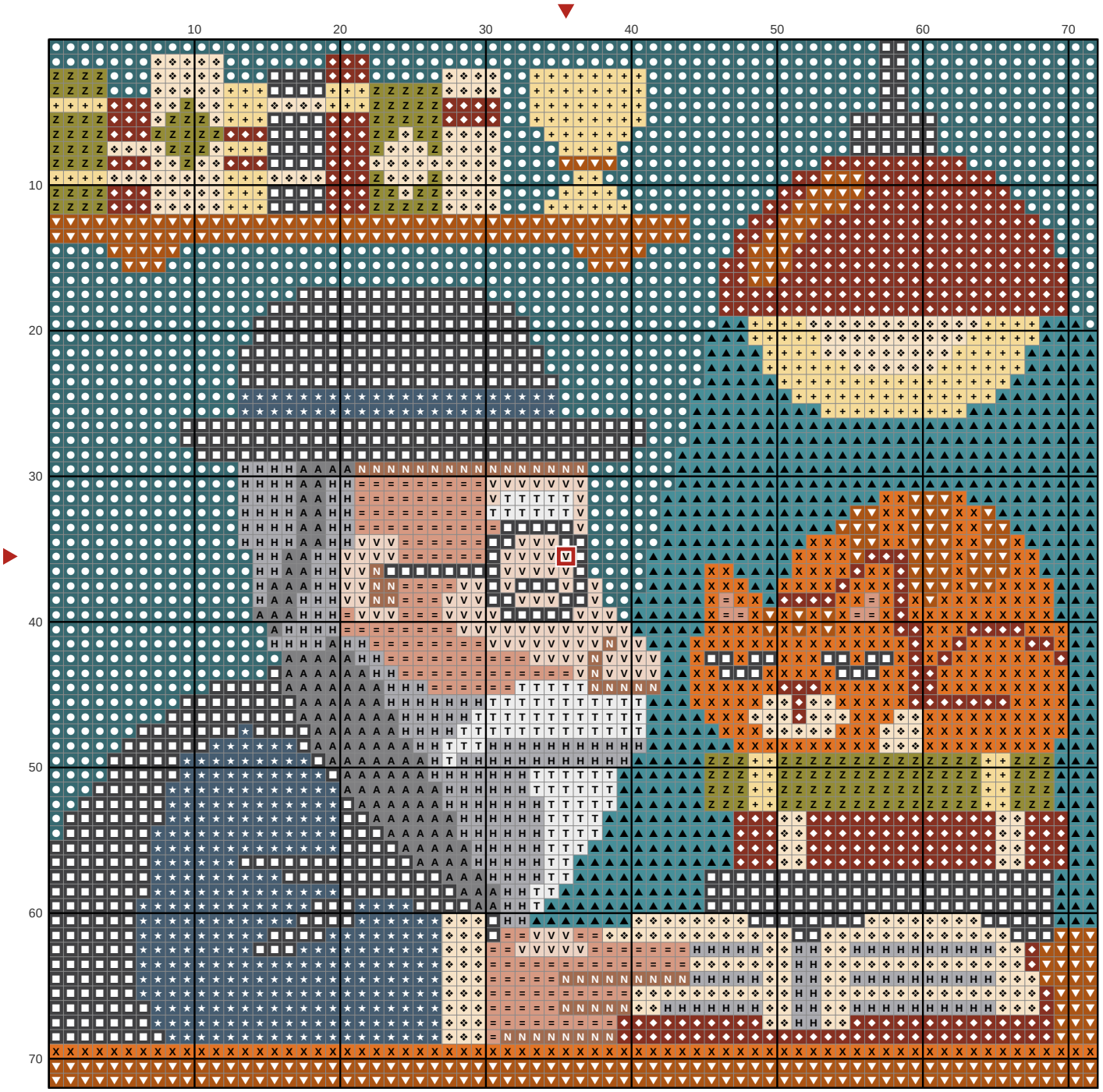
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- **DMC 3808** Ultra Very Dark Turquoise
- **DMC 3799** Very Dark Pewter Gray
- **DMC 3810** Dark Turquoise
- **DMC 3777** Very Dark Terra Cotta
- **DMC 920** Medium Copper
- **DMC 930** Dark Antique Blue
- **DMC 739** Ultra Very Light Tan
- **DMC 922** Light Copper
- **DMC 318** Light Steel Gray
- **DMC 3822** Light Straw
- **DMC 21** Light Alizarin
- **DMC 732** Olive Green
- **DMC 414** Dark Steel Gray
- **DMC 950** Light Desert Sand
- **DMC 762** Very Light Pearl Gray
- **DMC 3772** Very Dark Desert Sand