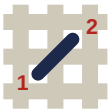
Red fox asleep

Needlepoint pattern | 54 x 54 stitches | 4.2 x 4.2 in (10.6 x 10.6 cm) on 13 mesh | 12 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 27, row 27 (DMC 922): 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 500: 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, 13 mesh (13 threads to the inch), cut 8.5 in square (21.6 cm).

Needle: blunt tapestry, size 20. Also masking tape for the cut edges, and small scissors.

Thread: six-strand floss, 12 colors, about 13 skeins in all (an estimate). Stitch with 7 strands (8 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
●	**500**	Very Dark Blue Green	616	2
□	**3750**	Very Dark Antique Blue	318	1
▲	**922**	Light Copper	301	1
◆	**988**	Medium Forest Green	200	1
▼	**920**	Medium Copper	172	1
★	**3853**	Dark Autumn Gold	162	1
❖	**712**	Cream	155	1
X	**3852**	Very Dark Straw	124	1
H	**931**	Medium Antique Blue	95	1
+	**839**	Dark Beige Brown	92	1
=	**3371**	Black Brown	41	1
Z	**347**	Very Dark Salmon	16	1

Skeins are estimates, with the two extra rows: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 13 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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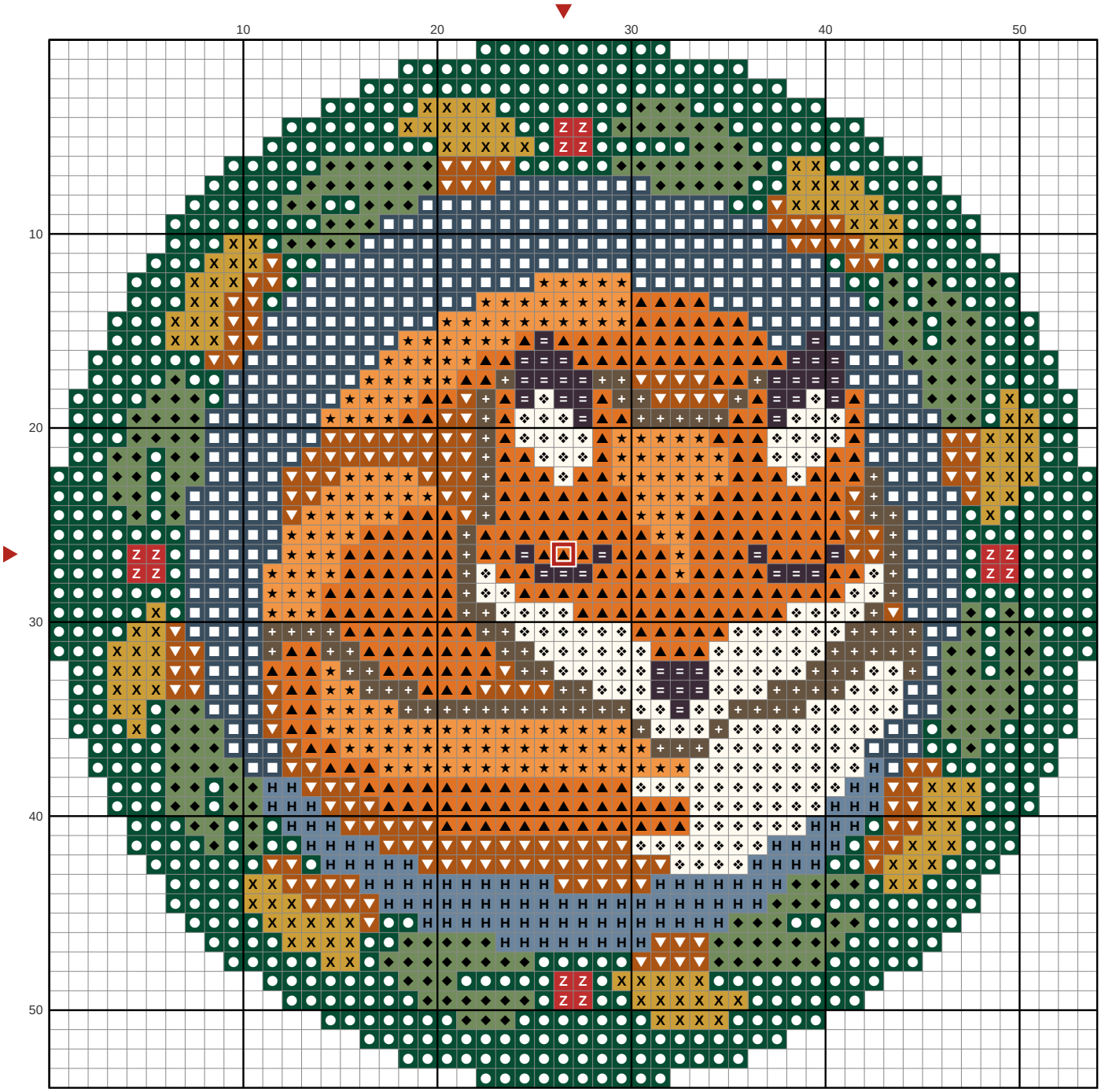
Chart: 54 x 54 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- **DMC 500** Very Dark Blue Green
- **DMC 3750** Very Dark Antique Blue
- **DMC 922** Light Copper
- **DMC 988** Medium Forest Green
- **DMC 920** Medium Copper
- **DMC 3853** Dark Autumn Gold
- **DMC 712** Cream
- **DMC 3852** Very Dark Straw
- **DMC 931** Medium Antique Blue
- **DMC 839** Dark Beige Brown
- **DMC 3371** Black Brown
- **DMC 347** Very Dark Salmon