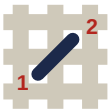
Preppy Australian shepherd

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 823): 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 in DMC 700: 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
●	**700**	Bright Green	1,501	2
■	**BLANC**	White	968	1
▲	**823**	Dark Navy Blue	662	1
◆	**932**	Light Antique Blue	431	1
▼	**931**	Medium Antique Blue	426	1
★	**963**	Ultra Very Light Dusty Rose	379	1
❖	**3326**	Light Rose	296	1
X	**3753**	Ultra Very Light Antique Blue	154	1
H	**930**	Dark Antique Blue	101	1
+	**3853**	Dark Autumn Gold	69	1
=	**890**	Ultra Dark Pistachio Green	68	1
Z	**892**	Medium Carnation	37	1
A	**921**	Copper	34	1
V	**519**	Sky Blue	24	1
T	**321**	Red	21	1
N	**918**	Dark Red Copper	13	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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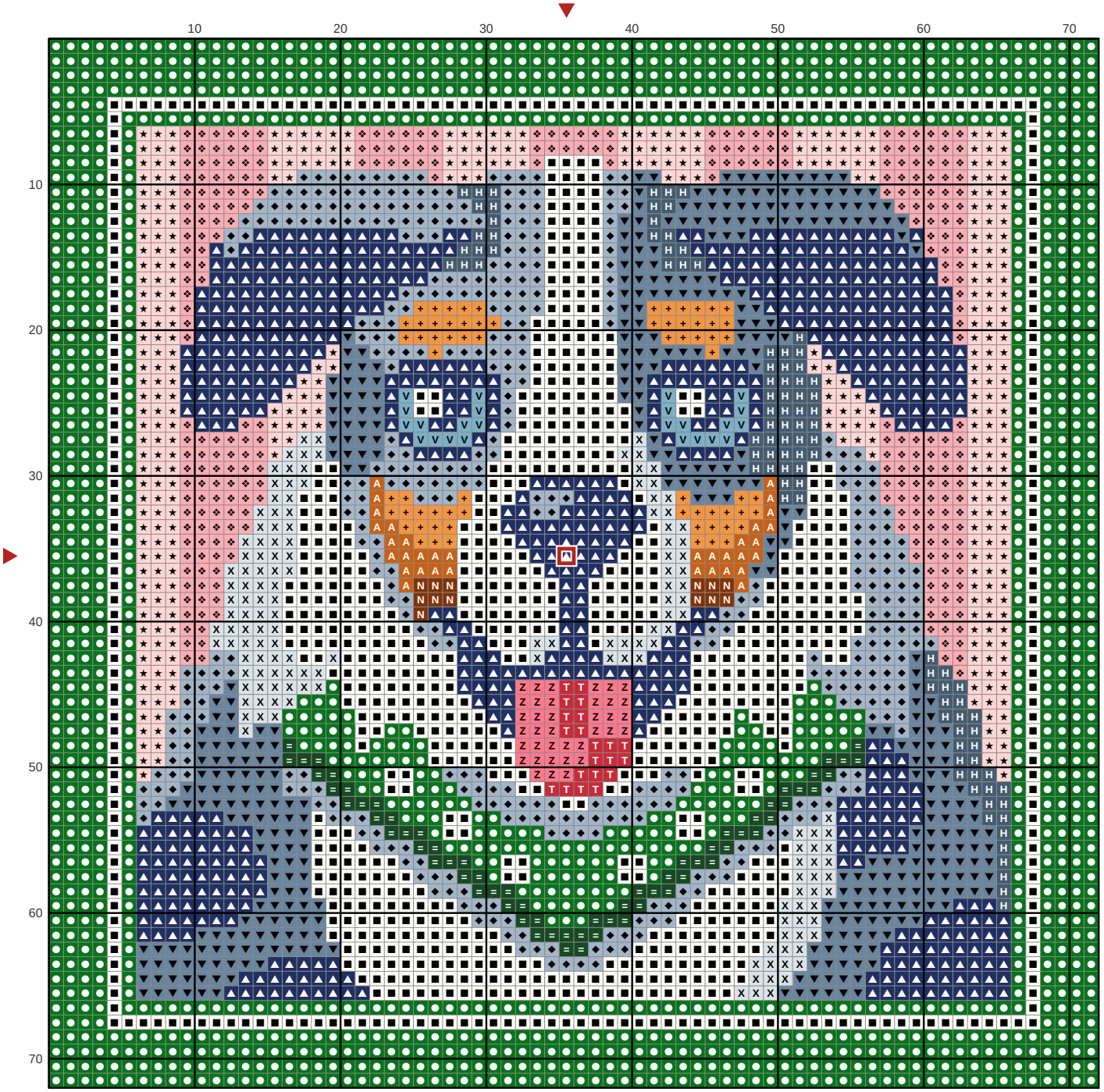
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- ● **DMC 700** Bright Green
- ■ **DMC BLANC** White
- ▲ **DMC 823** Dark Navy Blue
- ◆ **DMC 932** Light Antique Blue
- ▼ **DMC 931** Medium Antique Blue
- ★ **DMC 963** Ultra Very Light Dusty Rose
- ❖ **DMC 3326** Light Rose
- X **DMC 3753** Ultra Very Light Antique Blue
- H **DMC 930** Dark Antique Blue
- \+ **DMC 3853** Dark Autumn Gold
- = **DMC 890** Ultra Dark Pistachio Green
- Z **DMC 892** Medium Carnation
- A **DMC 921** Copper
- V **DMC 519** Sky Blue
- T **DMC 321** Red
- N **DMC 918** Dark Red Copper