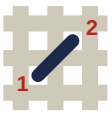
Preppy carrot with a navy bow

Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 13 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 947): 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, 13 colors, about 14 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
●	819	Light Baby Pink	1,364	2
■	BLANC	White	1,109	1
▲	818	Baby Pink	689	1
◆	947	Burnt Orange	459	1
▼	336	Navy Blue	290	1
★	702	Kelly Green	276	1
❖	699	Green	242	1
X	322	Dark Baby Blue	199	1
H	939	Very Dark Navy Blue	187	1
+	921	Copper	162	1
=	3825	Pale Pumpkin	96	1
Z	704	Bright Chartreuse	88	1
A	3325	Light Baby Blue	23	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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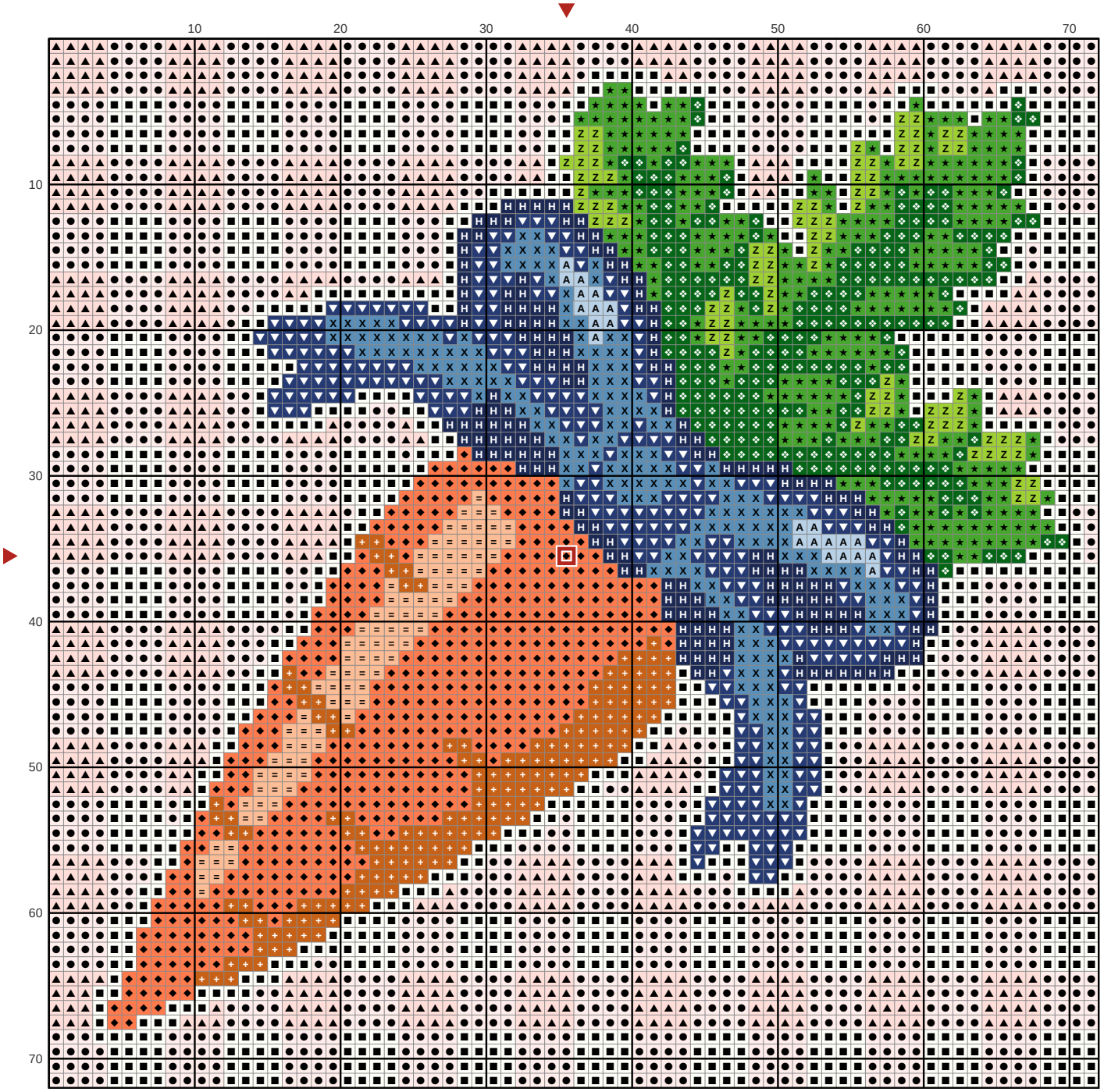
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- ● **DMC 819** Light Baby Pink
- ■ **DMC BLANC** White
- ▲ **DMC 818** Baby Pink
- ◆ **DMC 947** Burnt Orange
- ▼ **DMC 336** Navy Blue
- ★ **DMC 702** Kelly Green
- ❖ **DMC 699** Green
- X **DMC 322** Dark Baby Blue
- H **DMC 939** Very Dark Navy Blue
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