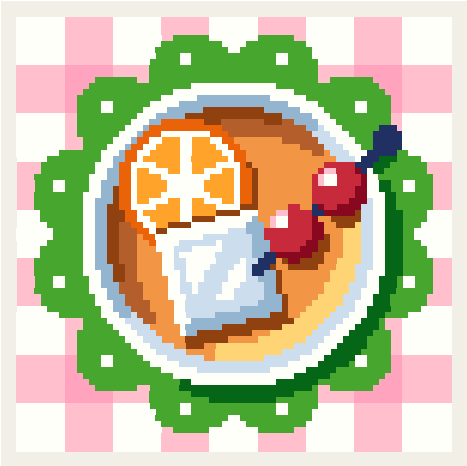
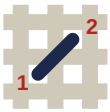
Preppy old fashioned cocktail

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 3841): 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				stitches	skeins
●	**BLANC**	White	1,500	2	H	**603**	Cranberry	136	1
■	**702**	Kelly Green	1,062	1	+	**741**	Medium Tangerine	121	1
▲	**605**	Very Light Cranberry	831	1	=	**743**	Medium Yellow	116	1
◆	**3853**	Dark Autumn Gold	278	1	Z	**301**	Medium Mahogany	98	1
▼	**3841**	Pale Baby Blue	267	1	A	**321**	Red	82	1
★	**3755**	Baby Blue	190	1	V	**946**	Medium Burnt Orange	81	1
❖	**699**	Green	178	1	T	**823**	Dark Navy Blue	43	1
X	**400**	Dark Mahogany	161	1	N	**815**	Medium Garnet	40	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 BLANC** White
- ■ **DMC 702** Kelly Green
- ▲ **DMC 605** Very Light Cranberry
- ◆ **DMC 3853** Dark Autumn Gold
- ▼ **DMC 3841** Pale Baby Blue
- ★ **DMC 3755** Baby Blue
- ❖ **DMC 699** Green
- X **DMC 400** Dark Mahogany
- H **DMC 603** Cranberry
- \+ **DMC 741** Medium Tangerine
- = **DMC 743** Medium Yellow
- Z **DMC 301** Medium Mahogany
- A **DMC 321** Red
- V **DMC 946** Medium Burnt Orange
- T **DMC 823** Dark Navy Blue
- N **DMC 815** Medium Garnet