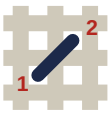
Preppy pink outhouse

Needlepoint pattern | 54 x 54 stitches | 3 x 3 in (7.6 x 7.6 cm) on 18 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 BLANC): 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 opening'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 7.5 in square (19.1 cm).

Needle: blunt tapestry, size 22. Also masking tape for the cut edges, and small scissors.

Thread: six-strand floss, 12 colors, about 12 skeins in all (an estimate). Stitch with 4 strands (5 or 6 if canvas shows).

Fit it into a lid: the box or tray, acid-free board and backing. Measure the opening first.
How to fit it into a lid.

Thread list, DMC

			stitches	skeins				stitches	skeins
●	**BLANC**	White	533	1	❖	**322**	Dark Baby Blue	183	1
■	**3844**	Dark Bright Turquoise	531	1	X	**3325**	Light Baby Blue	134	1
▲	**3845**	Medium Bright Turquoise	331	1	H	**699**	Green	117	1
◆	**3804**	Dark Cyclamen Pink	309	1	+	**150**	Ultra Very Dark Dusty Rose	109	1
▼	**823**	Dark Navy Blue	289	1	=	**704**	Bright Chartreuse	70	1
★	**3806**	Light Cyclamen Pink	261	1	Z	**907**	Light Parrot Green	49	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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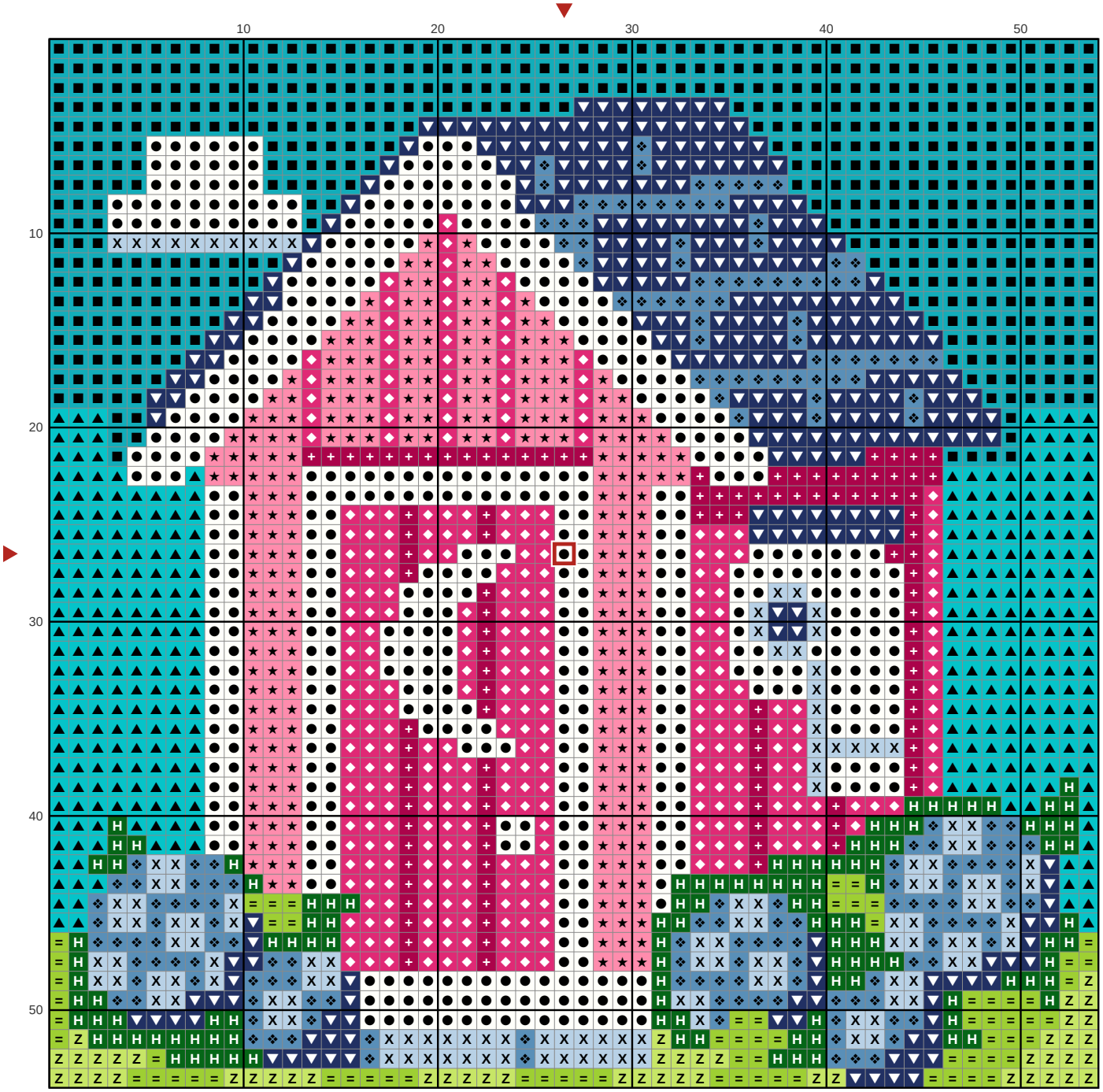
Chart: 54 x 54 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- ● **DMC BLANC** White
- ■ **DMC 3844** Dark Bright Turquoise
- ▲ **DMC 3845** Medium Bright Turquoise
- ◆ **DMC 3804** Dark Cyclamen Pink
- ▼ **DMC 823** Dark Navy Blue
- ★ **DMC 3806** Light Cyclamen Pink
- ❖ **DMC 322** Dark Baby Blue
- X **DMC 3325** Light Baby Blue
- H **DMC 699** Green
- \+ **DMC 150** Ultra Very Dark Dusty Rose
- = **DMC 704** Bright Chartreuse
- Z **DMC 907** Light Parrot Green