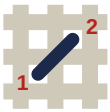
Preppy party hat on a spaniel

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 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 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	824	2
■	**703**	Chartreuse	816	1
▲	**3776**	Light Mahogany	528	1
◆	**702**	Kelly Green	464	1
▼	**3804**	Dark Cyclamen Pink	438	1
★	**704**	Bright Chartreuse	396	1
❖	**300**	Very Dark Mahogany	393	1
X	**BLANC**	White	315	1

			stitches	skeins
H	**400**	Dark Mahogany	290	1
+	**310**	Black	189	1
=	**726**	Light Topaz	132	1
Z	**150**	Ultra Very Dark Dusty Rose	98	1
A	**3806**	Light Cyclamen Pink	94	1
V	**159**	Light Gray Blue	81	1
T	**402**	Very Light Mahogany	75	1
N	**782**	Dark Topaz	51	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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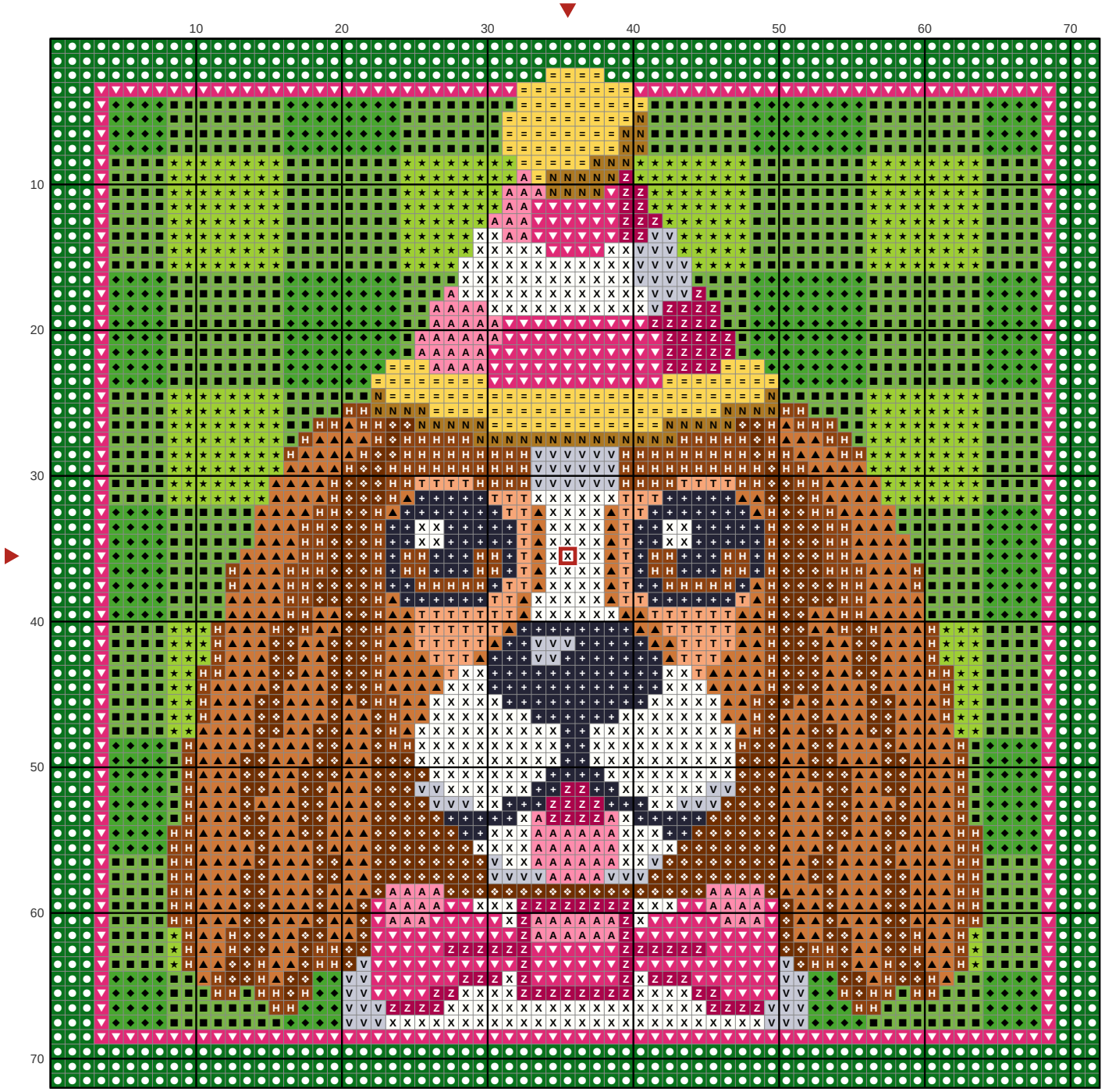
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- **DMC 700** Bright Green
- **DMC 703** Chartreuse
- **DMC 3776** Light Mahogany
- **DMC 702** Kelly Green
- **DMC 3804** Dark Cyclamen Pink
- **DMC 704** Bright Chartreuse
- **DMC 300** Very Dark Mahogany
- **DMC BLANC** White
- **DMC 400** Dark Mahogany
- **DMC 310** Black
- **DMC 726** Light Topaz
- **DMC 150** Ultra Very Dark Dusty Rose
- **DMC 3806** Light Cyclamen Pink
- **DMC 159** Light Gray Blue
- **DMC 402** Very Light Mahogany
- **DMC 782** Dark Topaz