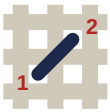
Preppy watermelon slice

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 602): 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 16 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
●	**964**	Light Seagreen	1,214	1
■	**601**	Dark Cranberry	961	1
▲	**BLANC**	White	651	1
◆	**823**	Dark Navy Blue	559	1
▼	**747**	Very Light Sky Blue	535	1
★	**3705**	Dark Melon	234	1
❖	**602**	Medium Cranberry	196	1
X	**3371**	Black Brown	156	1
H	**959**	Medium Seagreen	128	1
+	**699**	Green	127	1
=	**701**	Light Green	104	1
Z	**603**	Cranberry	88	1
A	**703**	Chartreuse	80	1
V	**369**	Very Light Pistachio Green	77	1
T	**963**	Ultra Very Light Dusty Rose	58	1
N	**3752**	Very Light Antique Blue	16	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

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- ■ **DMC 601** Dark Cranberry
- ▲ **DMC BLANC** White
- ◆ **DMC 823** Dark Navy Blue
- ▼ **DMC 747** Very Light Sky Blue
- ★ **DMC 3705** Dark Melon
- ❖ **DMC 602** Medium Cranberry
- X **DMC 3371** Black Brown
- H **DMC 959** Medium Seagreen
- \+ **DMC 699** Green
- = **DMC 701** Light Green
- Z **DMC 603** Cranberry
- A **DMC 703** Chartreuse
- V **DMC 369** Very Light Pistachio Green
- T **DMC 963** Ultra Very Light Dusty Rose
- N **DMC 3752** Very Light Antique Blue