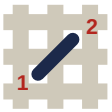
Preppy William Tell's apple

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 814): 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 823: 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
●	**823**	Dark Navy Blue	1,805	2
■	**519**	Sky Blue	805	1
▲	**BLANC**	White	571	1
◆	**666**	Bright Red	533	1
▼	**816**	Garnet	297	1
★	**814**	Dark Garnet	238	1
❖	**817**	Very Dark Coral Red	227	1
X	**782**	Dark Topaz	126	1
H	**3705**	Dark Melon	117	1
+	**726**	Light Topaz	117	1
=	**825**	Dark Blue	101	1
Z	**702**	Kelly Green	69	1
A	**699**	Green	67	1
V	**801**	Dark Coffee Brown	53	1
T	**704**	Bright Chartreuse	31	1
N	**3078**	Very Light Golden Yellow	27	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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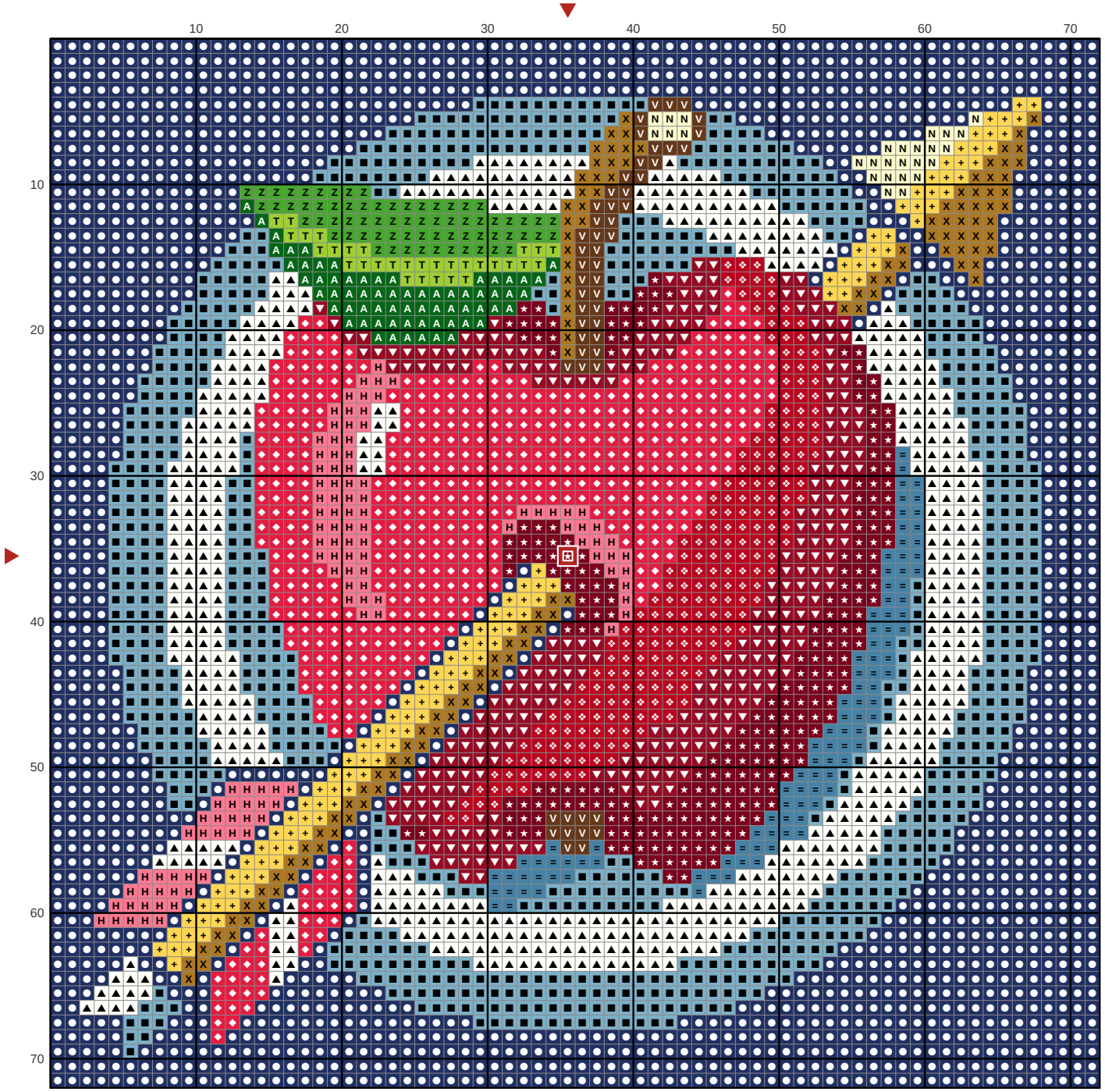
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- **DMC 823** Dark Navy Blue
- **DMC 519** Sky Blue
- **DMC BLANC** White
- **DMC 666** Bright Red
- **DMC 816** Garnet
- **DMC 814** Dark Garnet
- **DMC 817** Very Dark Coral Red
- **DMC 782** Dark Topaz
- **DMC 3705** Dark Melon
- **DMC 726** Light Topaz
- **DMC 825** Dark Blue
- **DMC 702** Kelly Green
- **DMC 699** Green
- **DMC 801** Dark Coffee Brown
- **DMC 704** Bright Chartreuse
- **DMC 3078** Very Light Golden Yellow