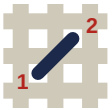
Whimsical apple house by moonlight

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 470): start there. Count threads, not holes.
4. Go on from it: picture first, background last. End the thread before crossing another color. Empty squares stay bare.
5. Last, two more rows all round in DMC 3820: 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
●	**3820**	Dark Straw	774	2
■	**797**	Royal Blue	494	1
▲	**939**	Very Dark Navy Blue	463	1
◆	**780**	Ultra Very Dark Topaz	283	1
▼	**470**	Light Avocado Green	277	1
★	**350**	Medium Coral	275	1
❖	**500**	Very Dark Blue Green	266	1
X	**745**	Light Pale Yellow	250	1
H	**351**	Coral	207	1
+	**312**	Very Dark Baby Blue	175	1
=	**3685**	Very Dark Mauve	132	1
Z	**550**	Very Dark Violet	125	1
A	**352**	Light Coral	97	1
V	**3810**	Dark Turquoise	84	1
T	**349**	Dark Coral	79	1
N	**3747**	Very Light Blue Violet	79	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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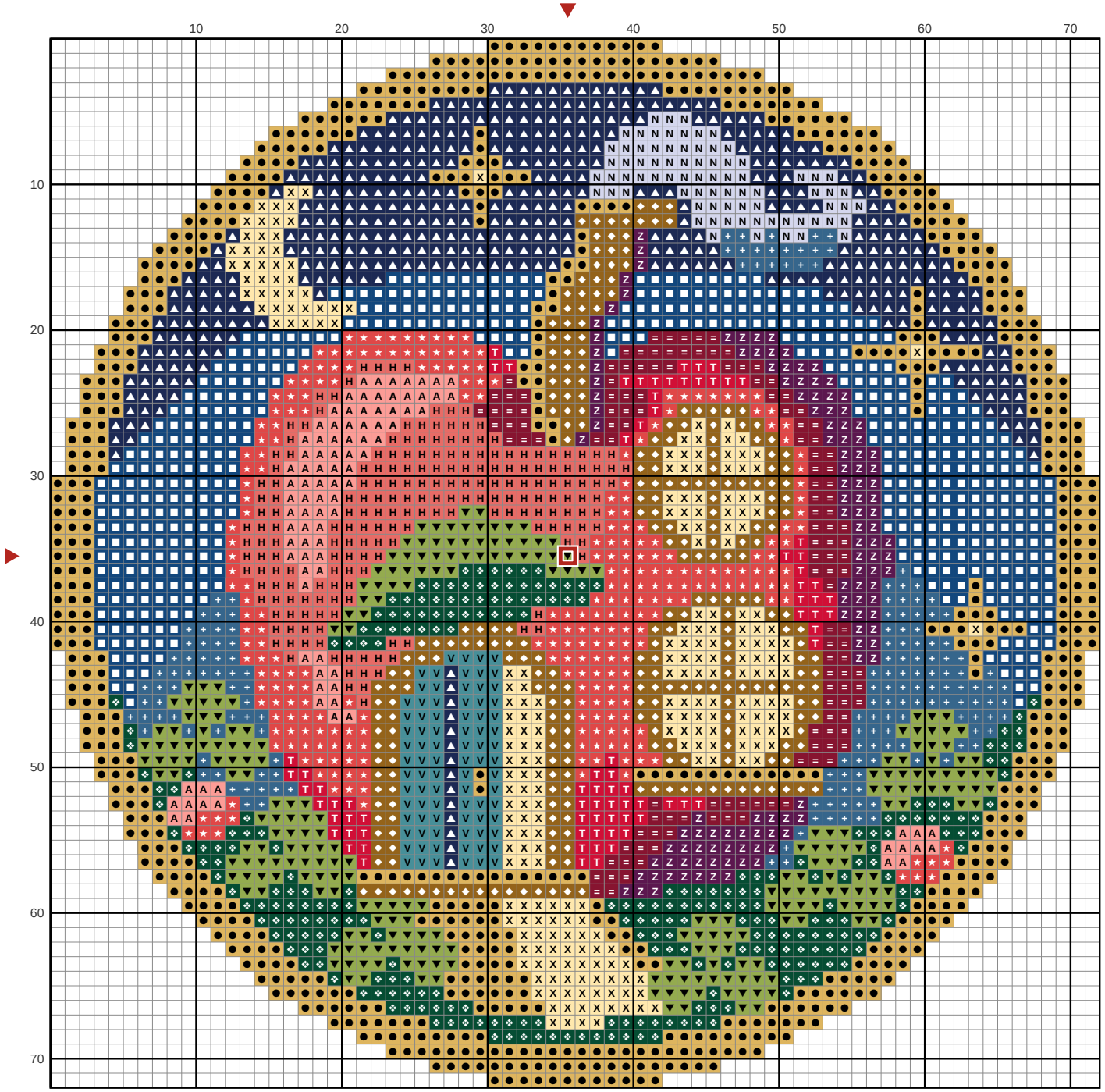
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

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