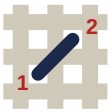
Whimsical baby Jesus with sleepy animals

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 828: 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
●	**828**	Ultra Very Light Sky Blue	1,771	2
□	**898**	Very Dark Coffee Brown	1,067	1
▲	**437**	Light Tan	320	1
◆	**745**	Light Pale Yellow	291	1
▼	**3821**	Straw	289	1
★	**964**	Light Seagreen	228	1
❖	**BLANC**	White	217	1
X	**3042**	Light Antique Violet	217	1
H	**950**	Light Desert Sand	173	1
+	**435**	Very Light Brown	138	1
=	**3825**	Pale Pumpkin	134	1
Z	**3772**	Very Dark Desert Sand	124	1
A	**3371**	Black Brown	73	1
V	**3740**	Dark Antique Violet	55	1
T	**3778**	Light Terra Cotta	45	1
N	**782**	Dark Topaz	42	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.

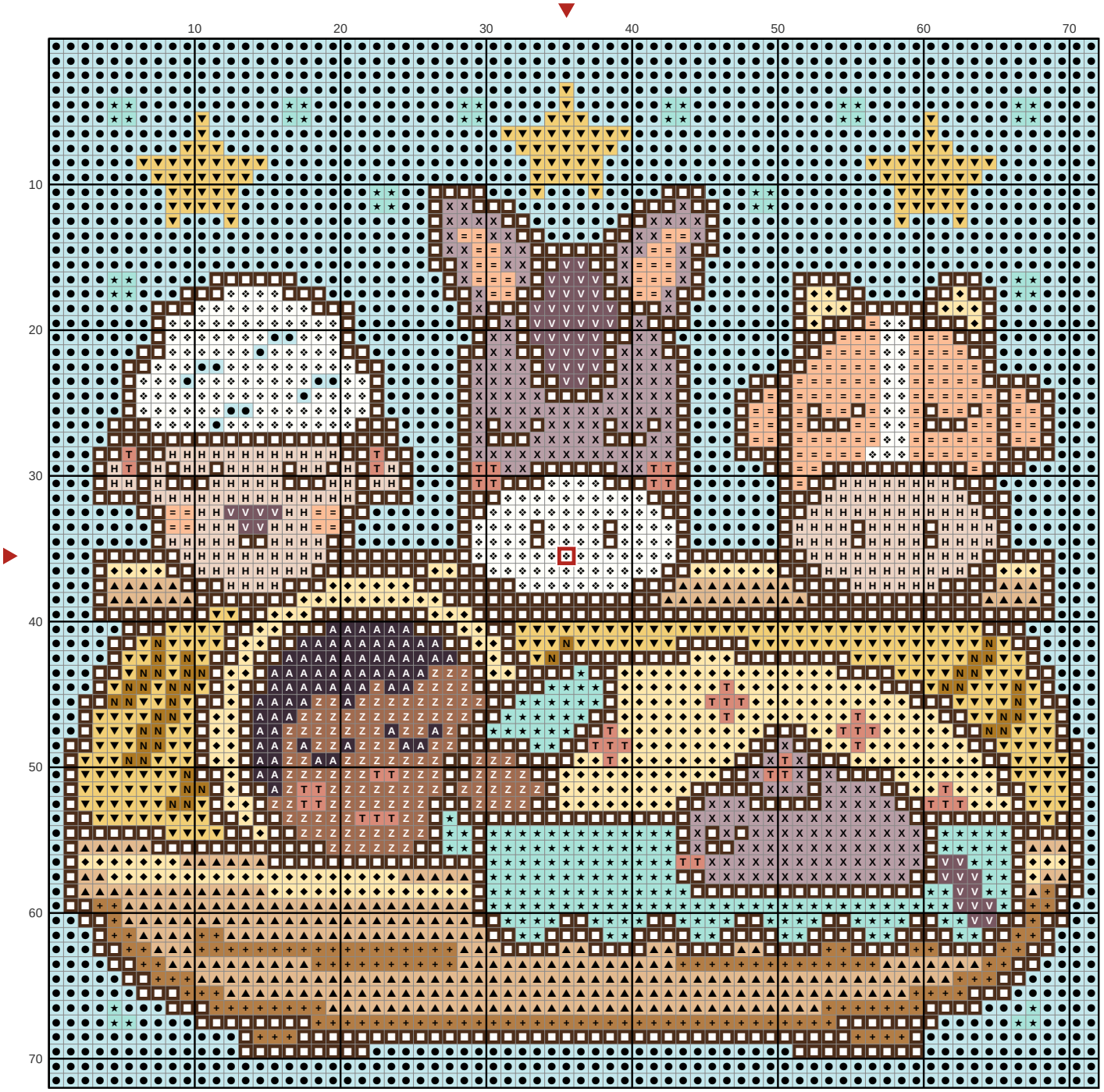
Thread colors are approximate screen matches to DMC numbers. Check against real thread before you buy.

For your own stitching, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF or copies of it.

Whimsical baby Jesus with sleepy animals

Needlepoint pattern

Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- ● **DMC 828** Ultra Very Light Sky Blue
- □ **DMC 898** Very Dark Coffee Brown
- ▲ **DMC 437** Light Tan
- ◆ **DMC 745** Light Pale Yellow
- ▼ **DMC 3821** Straw
- ★ **DMC 964** Light Seagreen
- ❖ **DMC BLANC** White
- X **DMC 3042** Light Antique Violet
- H **DMC 950** Light Desert Sand
- \+ **DMC 435** Very Light Brown
- = **DMC 3825** Pale Pumpkin
- Z **DMC 3772** Very Dark Desert Sand
- A **DMC 3371** Black Brown
- V **DMC 3740** Dark Antique Violet
- T **DMC 3778** Light Terra Cotta
- N **DMC 782** Dark Topaz