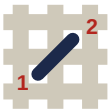
Whimsical bee with a daisy parasol

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 898): 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 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
●	3761	Light Sky Blue	1,642	2
■	BLANC	White	844	1
▲	898	Very Dark Coffee Brown	542	1
◆	3747	Very Light Blue Violet	387	1
▼	470	Light Avocado Green	323	1
★	472	Ultra Light Avocado Green	292	1
❖	745	Light Pale Yellow	206	1
X	743	Medium Yellow	186	1
H	208	Very Dark Lavender	184	1
+	210	Medium Lavender	146	1
=	3345	Dark Hunter Green	145	1
Z	433	Medium Brown	101	1
A	352	Light Coral	99	1
V	350	Medium Coral	42	1
T	741	Medium Tangerine	32	1
N	742	Light Tangerine	13	1

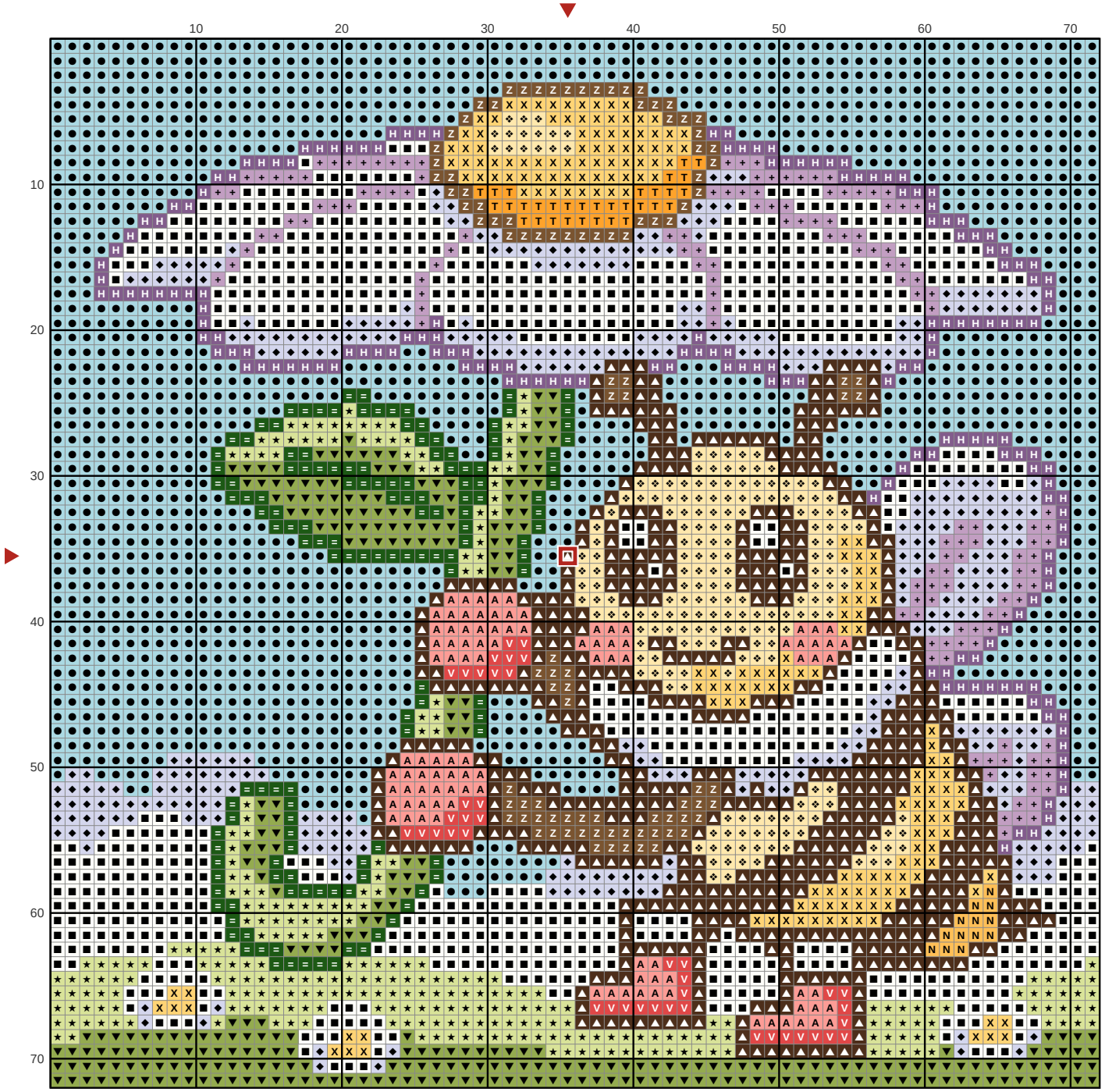
Skeins are estimates, with the two extra rows: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 18 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color.

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 bee with a daisy parasol Needlepoint pattern

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



Key

- ● **DMC 3761** Light Sky Blue
- ■ **DMC BLANC** White
- ▲ **DMC 898** Very Dark Coffee Brown
- ◆ **DMC 3747** Very Light Blue Violet
- ▼ **DMC 470** Light Avocado Green
- ★ **DMC 472** Ultra Light Avocado Green
- ❖ **DMC 745** Light Pale Yellow
- X **DMC 743** Medium Yellow
- H **DMC 208** Very Dark Lavender
- \+ **DMC 210** Medium Lavender
- = **DMC 3345** Dark Hunter Green
- Z **DMC 433** Medium Brown
- A **DMC 352** Light Coral
- V **DMC 350** Medium Coral
- T **DMC 741** Medium Tangerine
- N **DMC 742** Light Tangerine