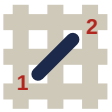
Whimsical Christmas lights with a mouse

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 3832): 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
●	**3726**	Dark Antique Mauve	1,267	2
■	**3371**	Black Brown	930	1
▲	**3802**	Very Dark Antique Mauve	529	1
◆	**3779**	Very Light Rosewood	423	1
▼	**318**	Light Steel Gray	365	1
★	**945**	Tawny	323	1
❖	**3346**	Hunter Green	255	1
X	**470**	Light Avocado Green	230	1
H	**3832**	Medium Raspberry	177	1
+	**742**	Light Tangerine	171	1
=	**3865**	Winter White	143	1
Z	**3766**	Light Peacock Blue	99	1
A	**744**	Pale Yellow	95	1
V	**954**	Nile Green	67	1
T	**414**	Dark Steel Gray	62	1
N	**3853**	Dark Autumn Gold	48	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.

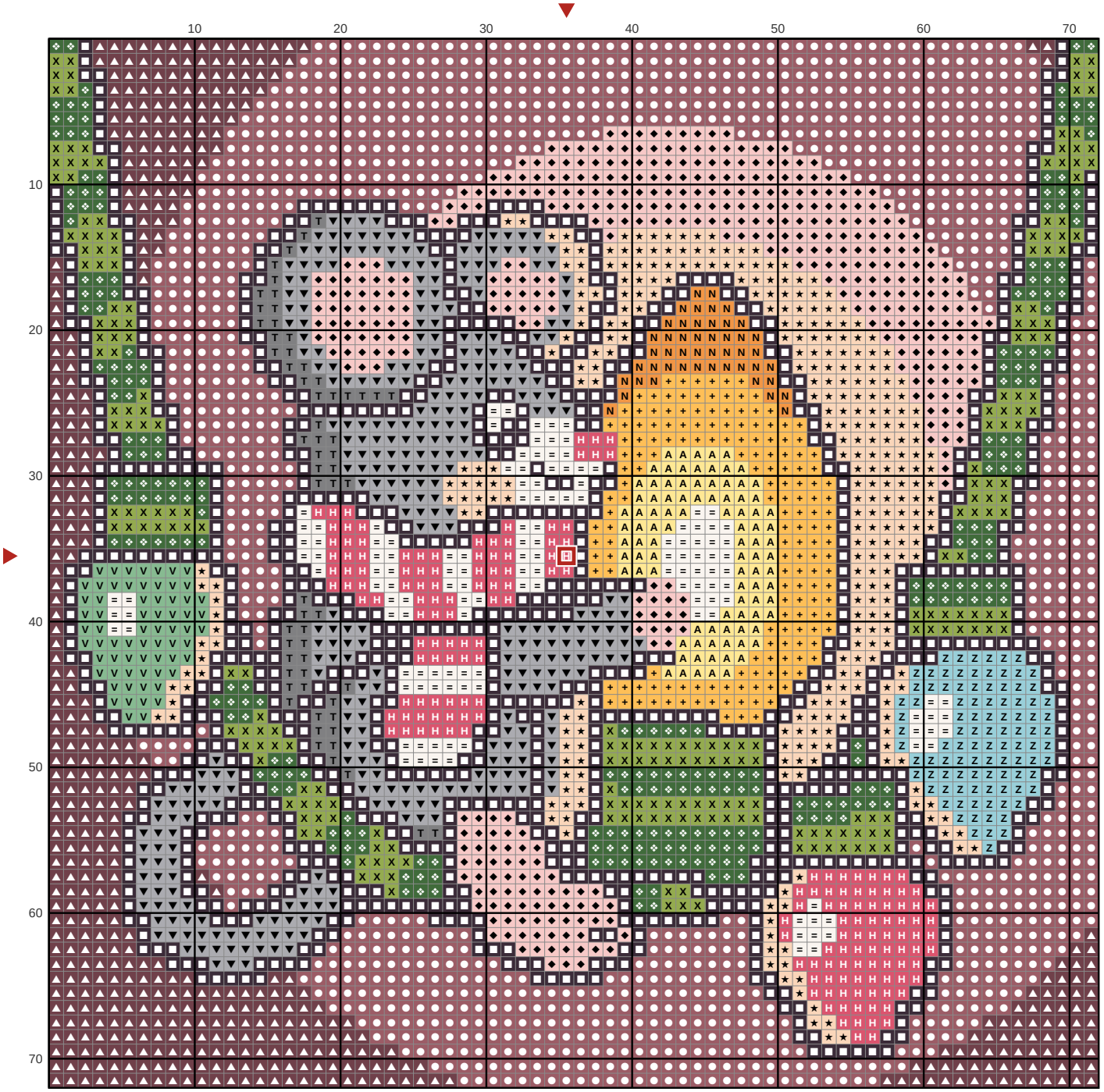
Thread colors are approximate screen matches to DMC numbers. Check against real thread before you buy.

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Needlepoint pattern

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



Key

- **DMC 3726** Dark Antique Mauve
- **DMC 3371** Black Brown
- **DMC 3802** Very Dark Antique Mauve
- **DMC 3779** Very Light Rosewood
- **DMC 318** Light Steel Gray
- **DMC 945** Tawny
- **DMC 3346** Hunter Green
- **DMC 470** Light Avocado Green
- **DMC 3832** Medium Raspberry
- **DMC 742** Light Tangerine
- **DMC 3865** Winter White
- **DMC 3766** Light Peacock Blue
- **DMC 744** Pale Yellow
- **DMC 954** Nile Green
- **DMC 414** Dark Steel Gray
- **DMC 3853** Dark Autumn Gold