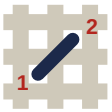
Whimsical cottage in the moonlight

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 3371): 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 16 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
●	**745**	Light Pale Yellow	746	1
□	**32**	Dark Blueberry	704	1
▲	**3835**	Medium Grape	569	1
◆	**29**	Eggplant	452	1
▼	**3371**	Black Brown	427	1
★	**469**	Avocado Green	342	1
❖	**743**	Medium Yellow	283	1
X	**543**	Ultra Very Light Beige	280	1
H	**500**	Very Dark Blue Green	275	1
+	**471**	Very Light Avocado Green	224	1
=	**3861**	Light Cocoa	199	1
Z	**347**	Very Dark Salmon	195	1
A	**934**	Black Avocado Green	194	1
V	**501**	Dark Blue Green	130	1
T	**3836**	Light Grape	96	1
N	**815**	Medium Garnet	68	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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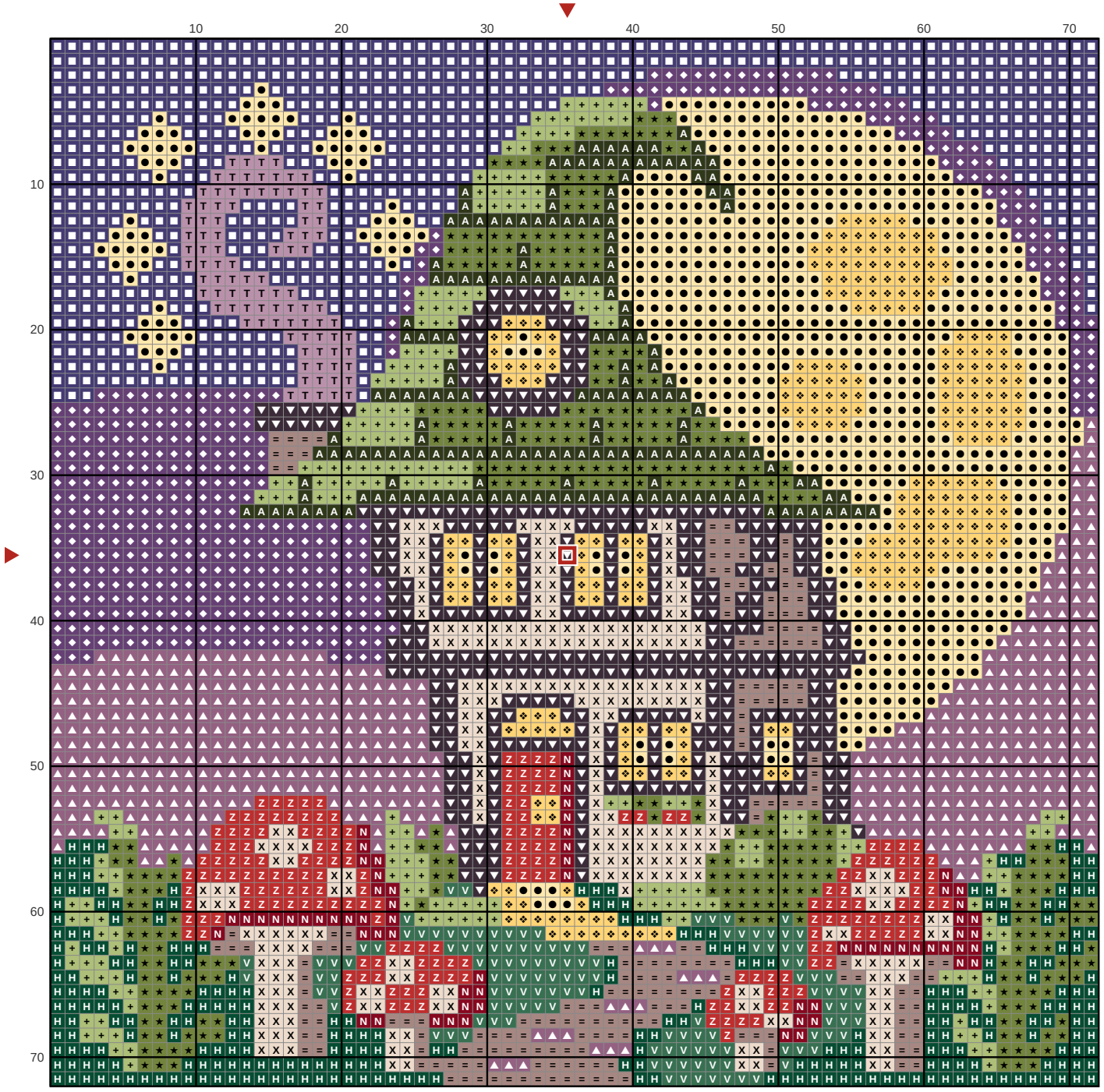
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- ● **DMC 745** Light Pale Yellow
- ❖ **DMC 743** Medium Yellow
- A **DMC 934** Black Avocado Green
- **DMC 32** Dark Blueberry
- X **DMC 543** Ultra Very Light Beige
- V **DMC 501** Dark Blue Green
- ▲ **DMC 3835** Medium Grape
- H **DMC 500** Very Dark Blue Green
- T **DMC 3836** Light Grape
- ◆ **DMC 29** Eggplant
- \+ **DMC 471** Very Light Avocado Green
- N **DMC 815** Medium Garnet
- ▼ **DMC 3371** Black Brown
- = **DMC 3861** Light Cocoa
- ★ **DMC 469** Avocado Green
- Z **DMC 347** Very Dark Salmon