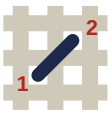
Whimsical crayons

Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 12 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 BLANC: 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, 12 colors, about 15 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				stitches	skeins
■	3799	Very Dark Pewter Gray	2,590	3	Z	825	Dark Blue	136	1
●	BLANC	White	1,360	2	▲	973	Bright Canary	98	1
❖	783	Medium Topaz	168	1	◆	740	Tangerine	98	1
H	900	Dark Burnt Orange	152	1	▼	702	Kelly Green	98	1
+	700	Bright Green	152	1	★	666	Bright Red	98	1
=	498	Dark Red	136	1	X	3844	Dark Bright Turquoise	98	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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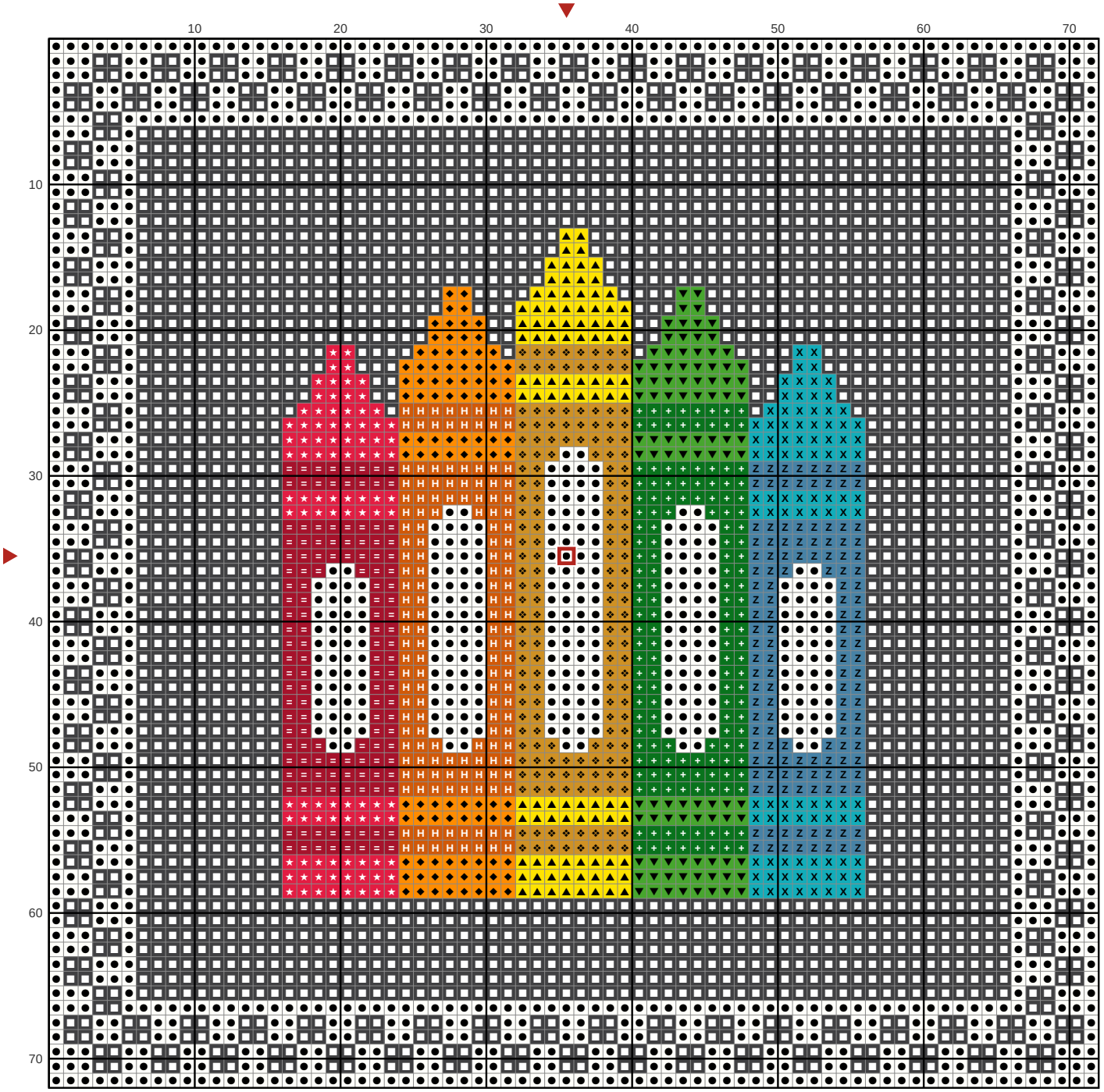
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- **DMC 3799** Very Dark Pewter Gray
- **DMC BLANC** White
- **DMC 783** Medium Topaz
- **H** **DMC 900** Dark Burnt Orange
- **+** **DMC 700** Bright Green
- **=** **DMC 498** Dark Red
- **Z** **DMC 825** Dark Blue
- **DMC 973** Bright Canary
- **DMC 740** Tangerine
- **DMC 702** Kelly Green
- **DMC 666** Bright Red
- **X** **DMC 3844** Dark Bright Turquoise