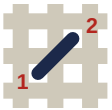
Whimsical dice

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 3705): start there. Count threads, not holes.
4. Go on from it: picture first, background last. End the thread before crossing another color. Empty squares stay bare.
5. Last, two more rows all round in DMC 726: 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
●	**726**	Light Topaz	917	2
■	**BLANC**	White	534	1
▲	**519**	Sky Blue	453	1
◆	**815**	Medium Garnet	312	1
▼	**310**	Black	262	1
★	**3747**	Very Light Blue Violet	223	1
❖	**321**	Red	204	1
X	**3761**	Light Sky Blue	173	1
H	**3708**	Light Melon	156	1
+	**701**	Light Green	150	1
=	**895**	Very Dark Hunter Green	147	1
Z	**907**	Light Parrot Green	141	1
A	**3705**	Dark Melon	132	1
V	**703**	Chartreuse	128	1
T	**340**	Medium Blue Violet	69	1
N	**333**	Very Dark Blue Violet	59	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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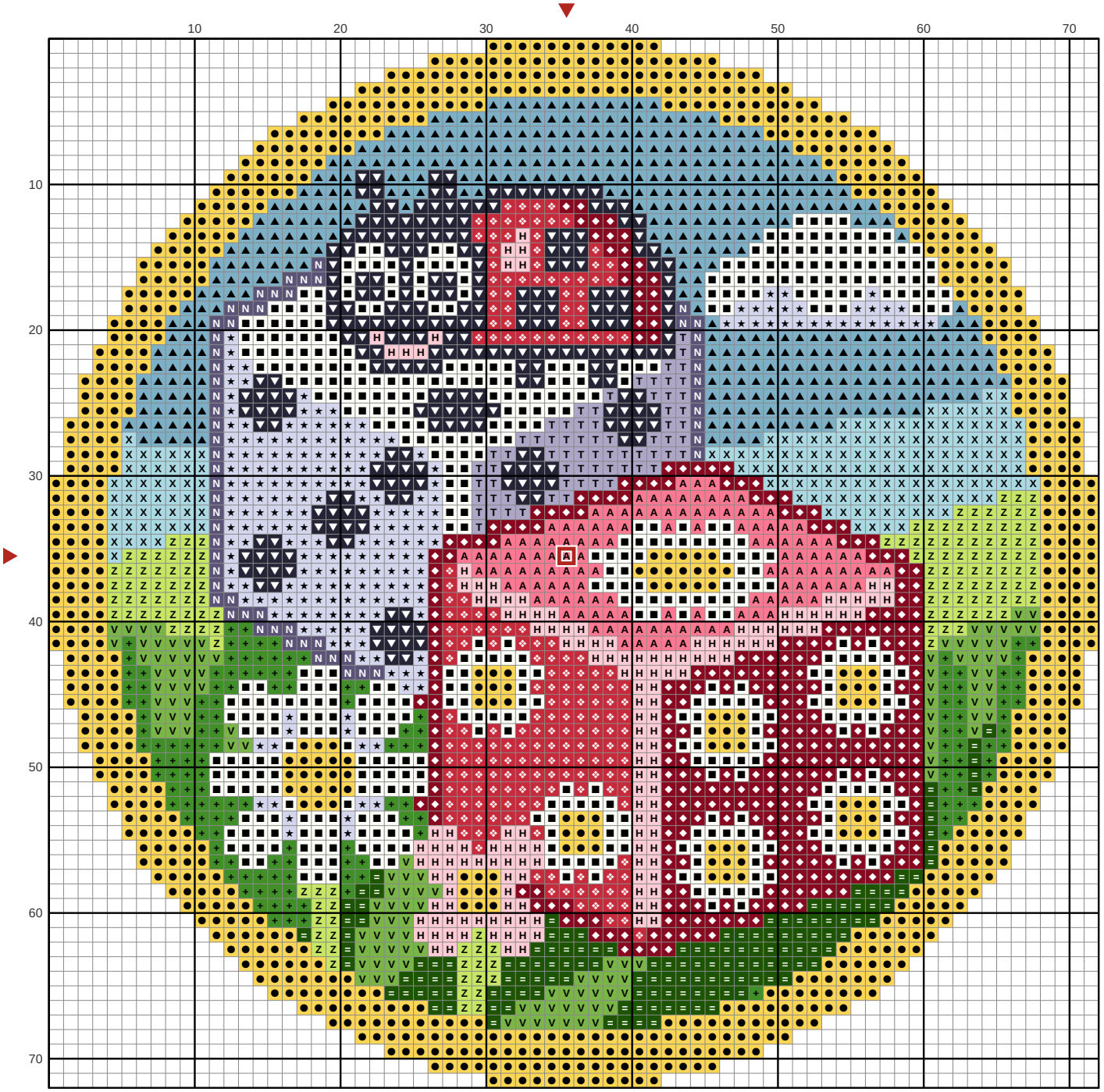
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- ● **DMC 726** Light Topaz
- ■ **DMC BLANC** White
- ▲ **DMC 519** Sky Blue
- ◆ **DMC 815** Medium Garnet
- ▼ **DMC 310** Black
- ★ **DMC 3747** Very Light Blue Violet
- ❖ **DMC 321** Red
- X **DMC 3761** Light Sky Blue
- H **DMC 3708** Light Melon
- \+ **DMC 701** Light Green
- = **DMC 895** Very Dark Hunter Green
- Z **DMC 907** Light Parrot Green
- A **DMC 3705** Dark Melon
- V **DMC 703** Chartreuse
- T **DMC 340** Medium Blue Violet
- N **DMC 333** Very Dark Blue Violet