Whimsical forest floor

Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 14 colors



Thread key

			stitches	yards	skeins
■	**DMC 3847**	Dark Teal Green	1,492	11	2
▲	**DMC 898**	Very Dark Coffee Brown	1,097	8	1
●	**DMC 890**	Ultra Dark Pistachio Green	667	5	1
X	**DMC BLANC**	White	380	3	1
◆	**DMC 704**	Bright Chartreuse	318	3	1
★	**DMC 666**	Bright Red	263	2	1
▼	**DMC 702**	Kelly Green	245	2	1
O	**DMC 738**	Very Light Tan	216	2	1
+	**DMC 435**	Very Light Brown	136	1	1
Z	**DMC 783**	Medium Topaz	121	1	1
❖	**DMC 498**	Dark Red	107	1	1
V	**DMC 728**	Topaz	66	1	1
=	**DMC 433**	Medium Brown	59	1	1
A	**DMC 900**	Dark Burnt Orange	17	1	1

One chart square is one tent stitch over one canvas intersection.

Cut the canvas at least 8 x 8 in (20.3 x 20.3 cm) for 18 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

5,184 stitches in all. Start from the center: the red arrows above and to the left of the chart mark it.

Thread: six-strand floss, 4 to 6 strands in the needle on 18 mesh (counted at 6), about 15 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 5, 1 strand, about 14 skeins of 27.3 yd; or Persian wool, 1 strand, about 14 skeins of 8 yd. Wool is numbered differently: match it by eye. Needle: tapestry, size 22.

Yards and skeins are estimates: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 18 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color (about 42 yards in all, as the thread lies in the needle).

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

Make it an ornament: also have board, thin batting, backing fabric and twisted cord. Stitch two or three extra rows of background all round: the edge of the board takes them. "How to finish an ornament" is a guide linked from this pattern's page.

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Chart: 72 x 72 stitches

