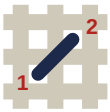
Whimsical German shepherd

Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 15 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 310): 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, 15 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
●	**3811**	Very Light Turquoise	1,310	2
■	**747**	Very Light Sky Blue	822	1
▲	**310**	Black	717	1
◆	**352**	Light Coral	514	1
▼	**436**	Tan	372	1
★	**413**	Dark Pewter Gray	317	1
❖	**434**	Light Brown	285	1
X	**738**	Very Light Tan	251	1
H	**801**	Dark Coffee Brown	203	1
+	**350**	Medium Coral	141	1
=	**726**	Light Topaz	86	1
Z	**712**	Cream	76	1
A	**BLANC**	White	48	1
V	**3852**	Very Dark Straw	34	1
T	**318**	Light Steel Gray	8	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.

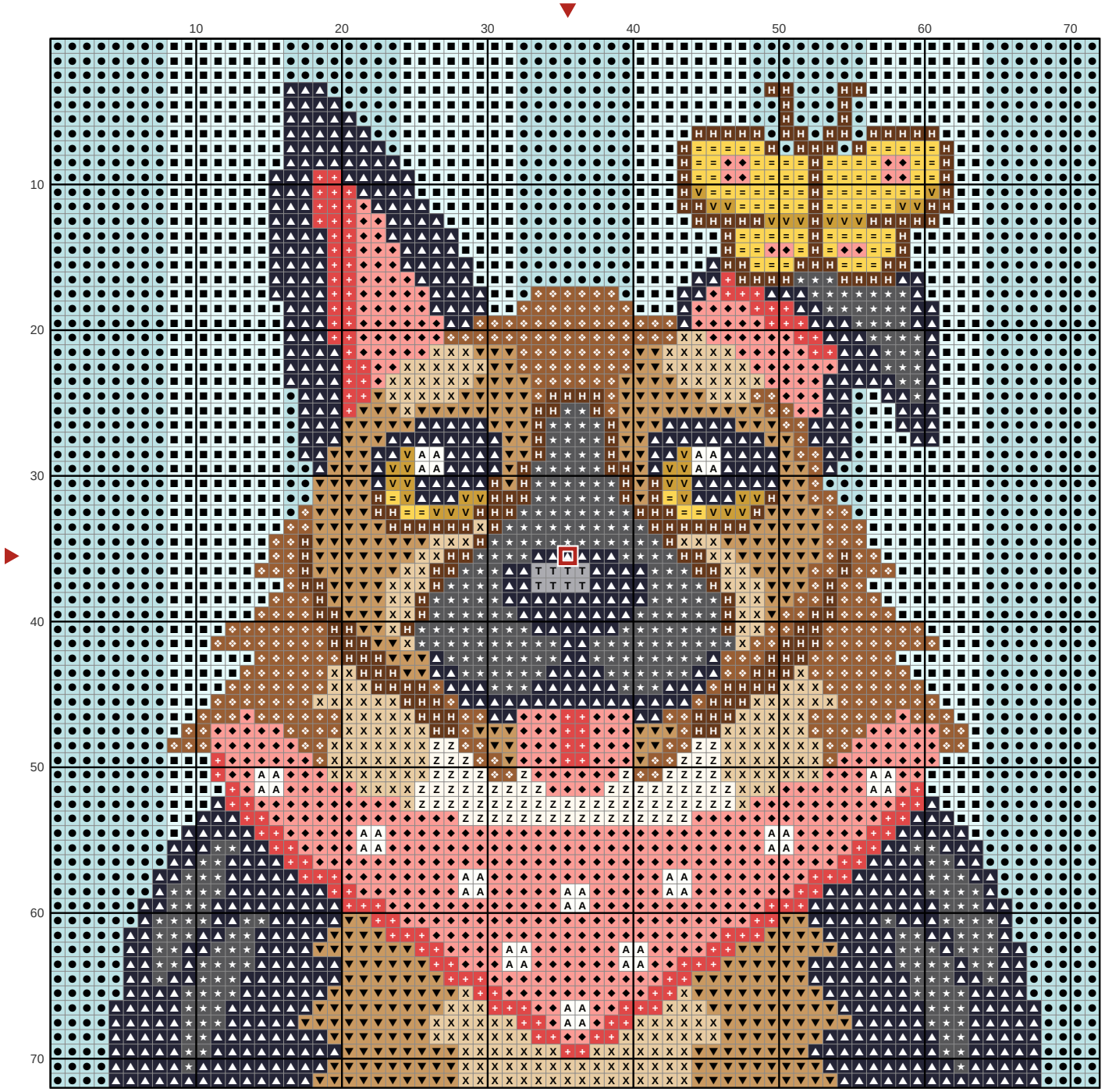
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Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

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