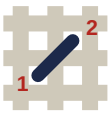
Whimsical kitten in a basket

Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 14 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, 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, 14 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				stitches	skeins
●	**798**	Dark Delft Blue	2,240	3	★	**310**	Black	86	1
Z	**436**	Tan	690	1	X	**970**	Light Pumpkin	82	1
■	**3854**	Medium Autumn Gold	634	1	H	**321**	Red	68	1
▲	**BLANC**	White	434	1	=	**597**	Turquoise	62	1
A	**433**	Medium Brown	342	1	❖	**704**	Bright Chartreuse	58	1
◆	**603**	Cranberry	318	1	▼	**920**	Medium Copper	38	1
V	**316**	Medium Antique Mauve	116	1	+	**814**	Dark Garnet	16	1

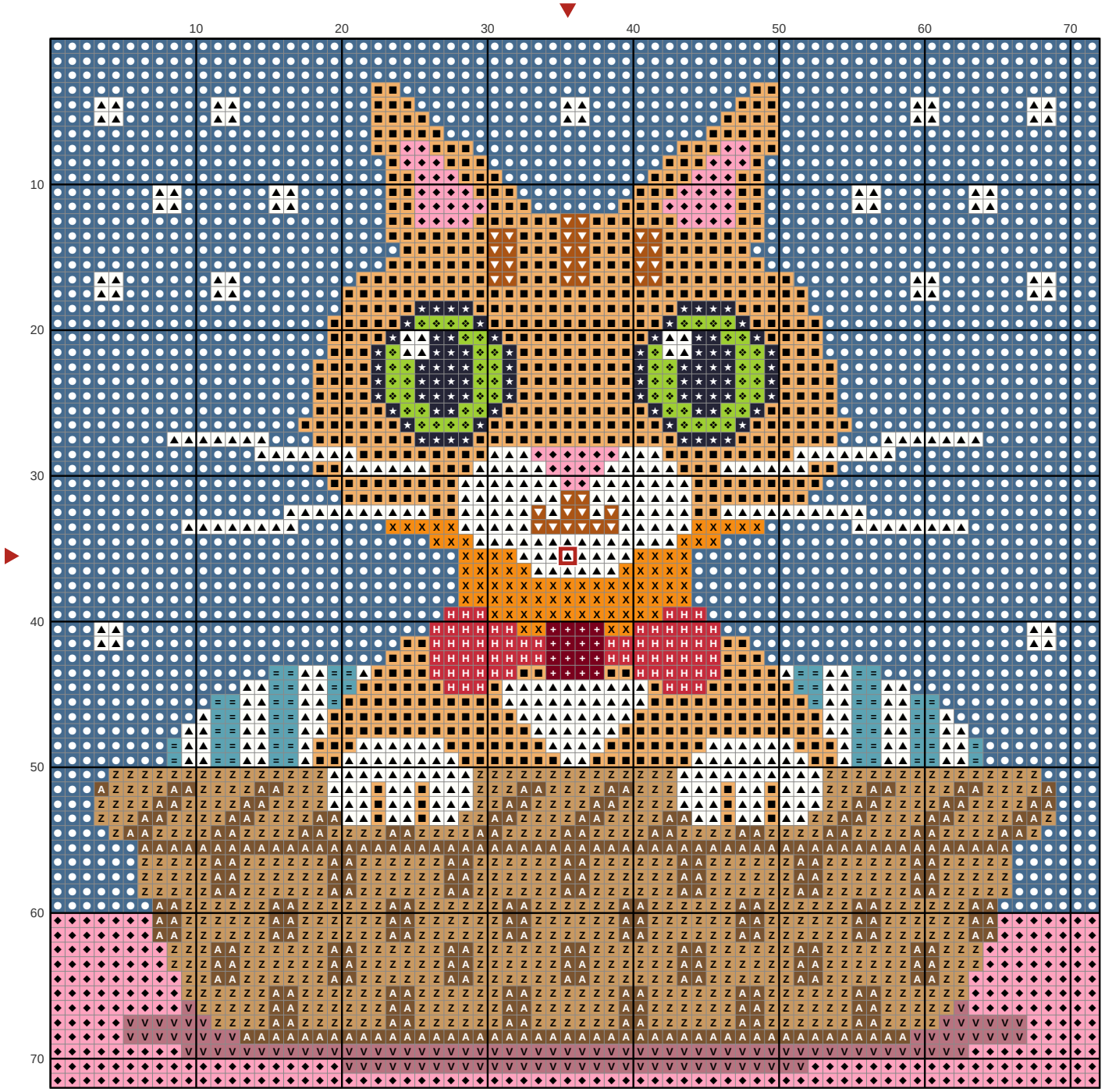
Skeins are estimates, with the two extra rows: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 18 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color.

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 798** Dark Delft Blue
- Z **DMC 436** Tan
- ■ **DMC 3854** Medium Autumn Gold
- ▲ **DMC BLANC** White
- A **DMC 433** Medium Brown
- ◆ **DMC 603** Cranberry
- V **DMC 316** Medium Antique Mauve
- ★ **DMC 310** Black
- X **DMC 970** Light Pumpkin
- H **DMC 321** Red
- = **DMC 597** Turquoise
- ❖ **DMC 704** Bright Chartreuse
- ▽ **DMC 920** Medium Copper
- + **DMC 814** Dark Garnet