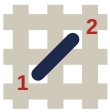
Whimsical mouse

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 3371): 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, 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
●	**3760**	Medium Wedgwood	1,967	2
■	**3865**	Winter White	505	1
▲	**3347**	Medium Yellow Green	428	1
◆	**3864**	Light Mocha Beige	339	1
▼	**761**	Light Salmon	273	1
★	**743**	Medium Yellow	269	1
❖	**519**	Sky Blue	240	1
X	**321**	Red	221	1
H	**350**	Medium Coral	214	1
+	**815**	Medium Garnet	201	1
=	**3863**	Medium Mocha Beige	178	1
Z	**782**	Dark Topaz	103	1
A	**3722**	Medium Shell Pink	79	1
V	**3371**	Black Brown	59	1
T	**3862**	Dark Mocha Beige	58	1
N	**3345**	Dark Hunter Green	50	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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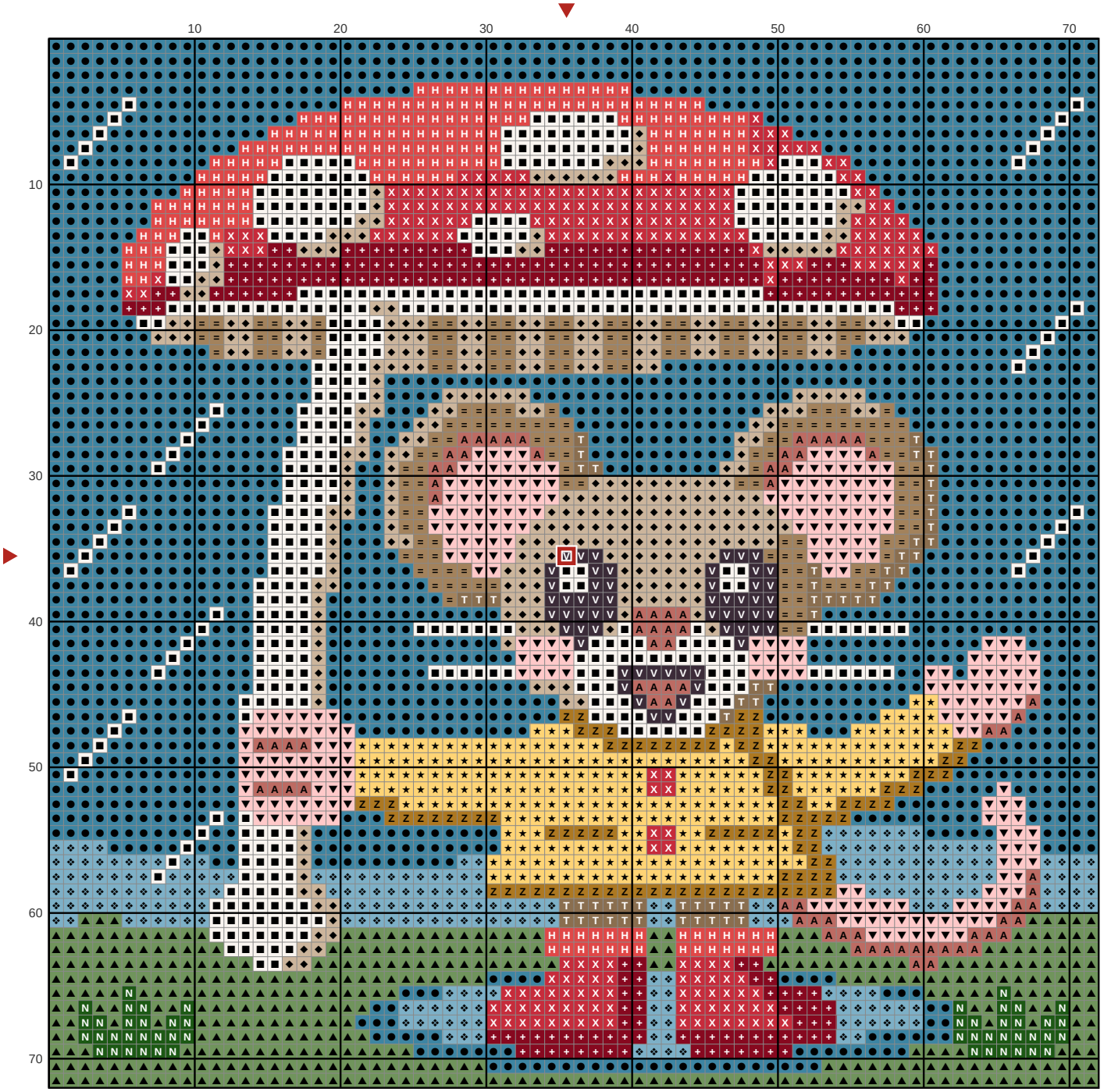
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- ● **DMC 3760** Medium Wedgwood
- ■ **DMC 3865** Winter White
- ▲ **DMC 3347** Medium Yellow Green
- ◆ **DMC 3864** Light Mocha Beige
- ▼ **DMC 761** Light Salmon
- ★ **DMC 743** Medium Yellow
- ❖ **DMC 519** Sky Blue
- X **DMC 321** Red
- H **DMC 350** Medium Coral
- \+ **DMC 815** Medium Garnet
- = **DMC 3863** Medium Mocha Beige
- Z **DMC 782** Dark Topaz
- A **DMC 3722** Medium Shell Pink
- V **DMC 3371** Black Brown
- T **DMC 3862** Dark Mocha Beige
- N **DMC 3345** Dark Hunter Green