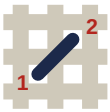
Whimsical pencil and harvest mouse

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 225): 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 in DMC 3325: 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 18 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
●	**3325**	Light Baby Blue	2,128	3
■	**712**	Cream	346	1
▲	**225**	Ultra Very Light Shell Pink	315	1
◆	**760**	Salmon	296	1
▼	**3799**	Very Dark Pewter Gray	245	1
★	**3841**	Pale Baby Blue	242	1
❖	**300**	Very Dark Mahogany	236	1
X	**977**	Light Golden Brown	232	1
H	**3827**	Pale Golden Brown	227	1
+	**725**	Medium Light Topaz	166	1
=	**727**	Very Light Topaz	159	1
Z	**301**	Medium Mahogany	157	1
A	**3721**	Dark Shell Pink	138	1
V	**987**	Dark Forest Green	125	1
T	**782**	Dark Topaz	92	1
N	**989**	Forest Green	80	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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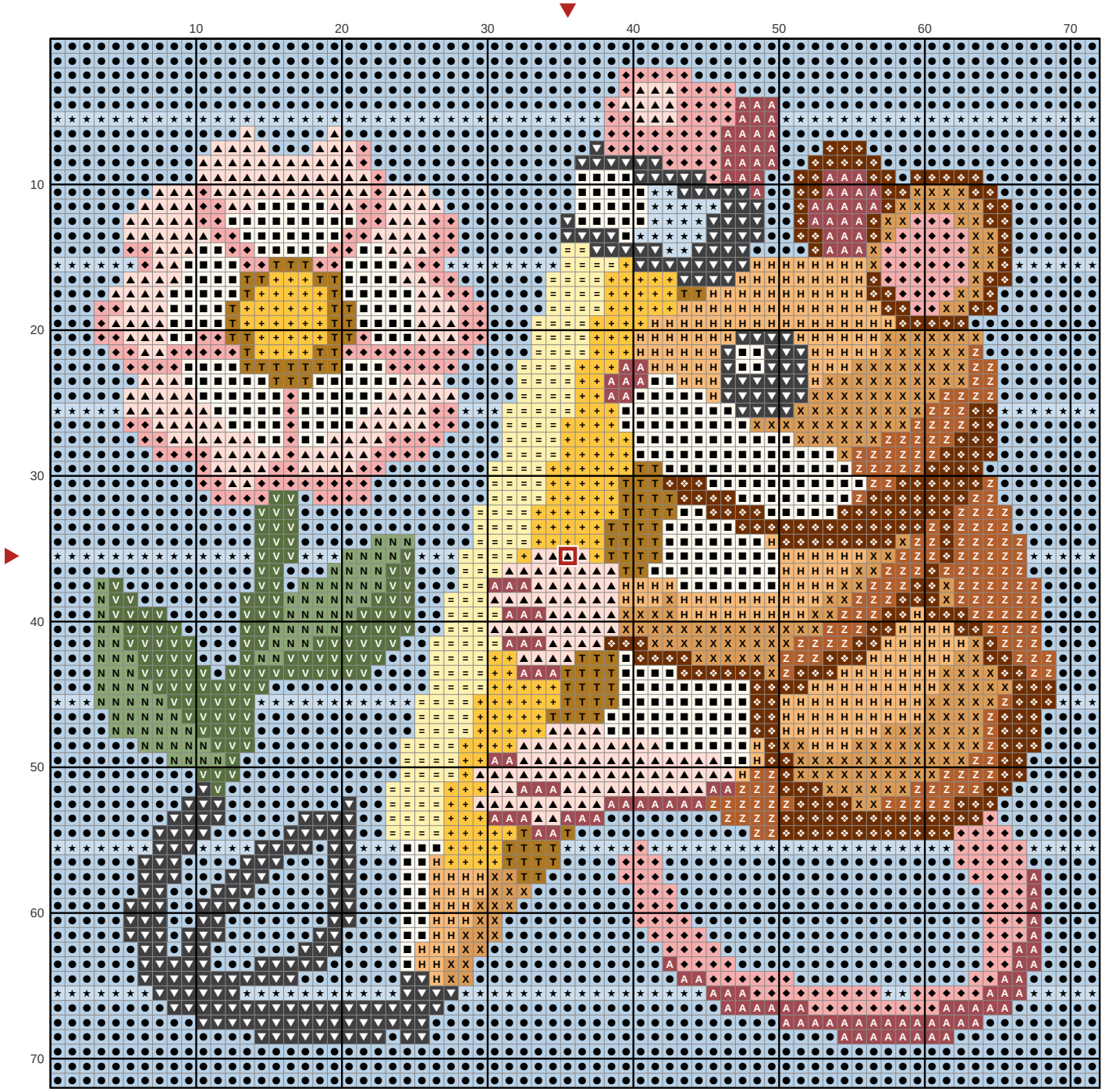
Chart: 72 x 72 stitches. Start at the red outline



Key

- ● **DMC 3325** Light Baby Blue
- ■ **DMC 712** Cream
- ▲ **DMC 225** Ultra Very Light Shell Pink
- ◆ **DMC 760** Salmon
- ▼ **DMC 3799** Very Dark Pewter Gray
- ★ **DMC 3841** Pale Baby Blue
- ❖ **DMC 300** Very Dark Mahogany
- X **DMC 977** Light Golden Brown
- H **DMC 3827** Pale Golden Brown
- \+ **DMC 725** Medium Light Topaz
- = **DMC 727** Very Light Topaz
- Z **DMC 301** Medium Mahogany
- A **DMC 3721** Dark Shell Pink
- V **DMC 987** Dark Forest Green
- T **DMC 782** Dark Topaz
- N **DMC 989** Forest Green