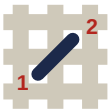
Whimsical tugboat in the snow

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 739): 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
●	**823**	Dark Navy Blue	1,084	2
■	**3865**	Winter White	813	1
▲	**347**	Very Dark Salmon	526	1
◆	**3371**	Black Brown	524	1
▼	**3838**	Dark Lavender Blue	409	1
★	**3747**	Very Light Blue Violet	349	1
❖	**815**	Medium Garnet	298	1
X	**794**	Light Cornflower Blue	254	1
H	**744**	Pale Yellow	254	1
+	**501**	Dark Blue Green	168	1
=	**739**	Ultra Very Light Tan	138	1
Z	**350**	Medium Coral	116	1
A	**437**	Light Tan	110	1
V	**783**	Medium Topaz	68	1
T	**500**	Very Dark Blue Green	65	1
N	**3819**	Light Moss Green	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.

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 823** Dark Navy Blue
- **DMC 3865** Winter White
- **DMC 347** Very Dark Salmon
- **DMC 3371** Black Brown
- **DMC 3838** Dark Lavender Blue
- **DMC 3747** Very Light Blue Violet
- **DMC 815** Medium Garnet
- **DMC 794** Light Cornflower Blue
- **DMC 744** Pale Yellow
- **DMC 501** Dark Blue Green
- **DMC 739** Ultra Very Light Tan
- **DMC 350** Medium Coral
- **DMC 437** Light Tan
- **DMC 783** Medium Topaz
- **DMC 500** Very Dark Blue Green
- **DMC 3819** Light Moss Green