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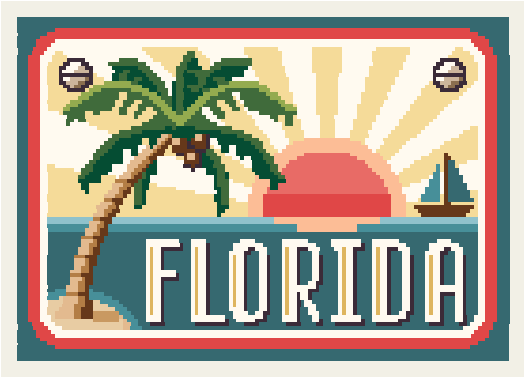
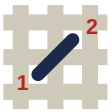
Needlepoint pattern | 130 x 91 stitches | 10 x 7 in (25.4 x 17.8 cm) on 13 mesh | 20 colors



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 on page 2, column 65, row 46 (DMC 3825): start there. Count threads, not holes.
4. Go on from it: picture first, background last. Gray squares are on two pages: stitch them once.
5. Last, two more rows all round in DMC 3808: the seam 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, 13 mesh (13 threads to the inch), cut 14.5 in wide x 11.5 in high (36.8 x 29.2 cm).

Needle: blunt tapestry, size 20. Also masking tape for the cut edges, and small scissors.

Thread: six-strand floss, 20 colors, about 33 skeins in all (an estimate). Stitch with 7 strands (8 if canvas shows).

Make it a pillow: backing fabric, an insert the size of the stitching or an inch larger, and cord or piping for the edge. How to finish a pillow.

Thread list, DMC

			stitches	skeins
●	3808	Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	2,928	6
■	712	Cream	2,910	5
▲	3822	Light Straw	1,543	3
◆	350	Medium Coral	1,378	3
▼	3346	Hunter Green	536	1
★	500	Very Dark Blue Green	380	1
❖	3371	Black Brown	371	1
X	3825	Pale Pumpkin	310	1
H	3810	Dark Turquoise	263	1
+	351	Coral	260	1
=	801	Dark Coffee Brown	182	1
Z	598	Light Turquoise	161	1
A	437	Light Tan	137	1
V	470	Light Avocado Green	134	1
T	3820	Dark Straw	120	1
N	435	Very Light Brown	85	1
S	738	Very Light Tan	73	1
K	3864	Light Mocha Beige	28	1
E	436	Tan	21	1
C	3862	Dark Mocha Beige	10	1

Skeins are estimates, with the two extra rows: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 13 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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Columns 1 to 69, rows 1 to 91. Start at the red outline

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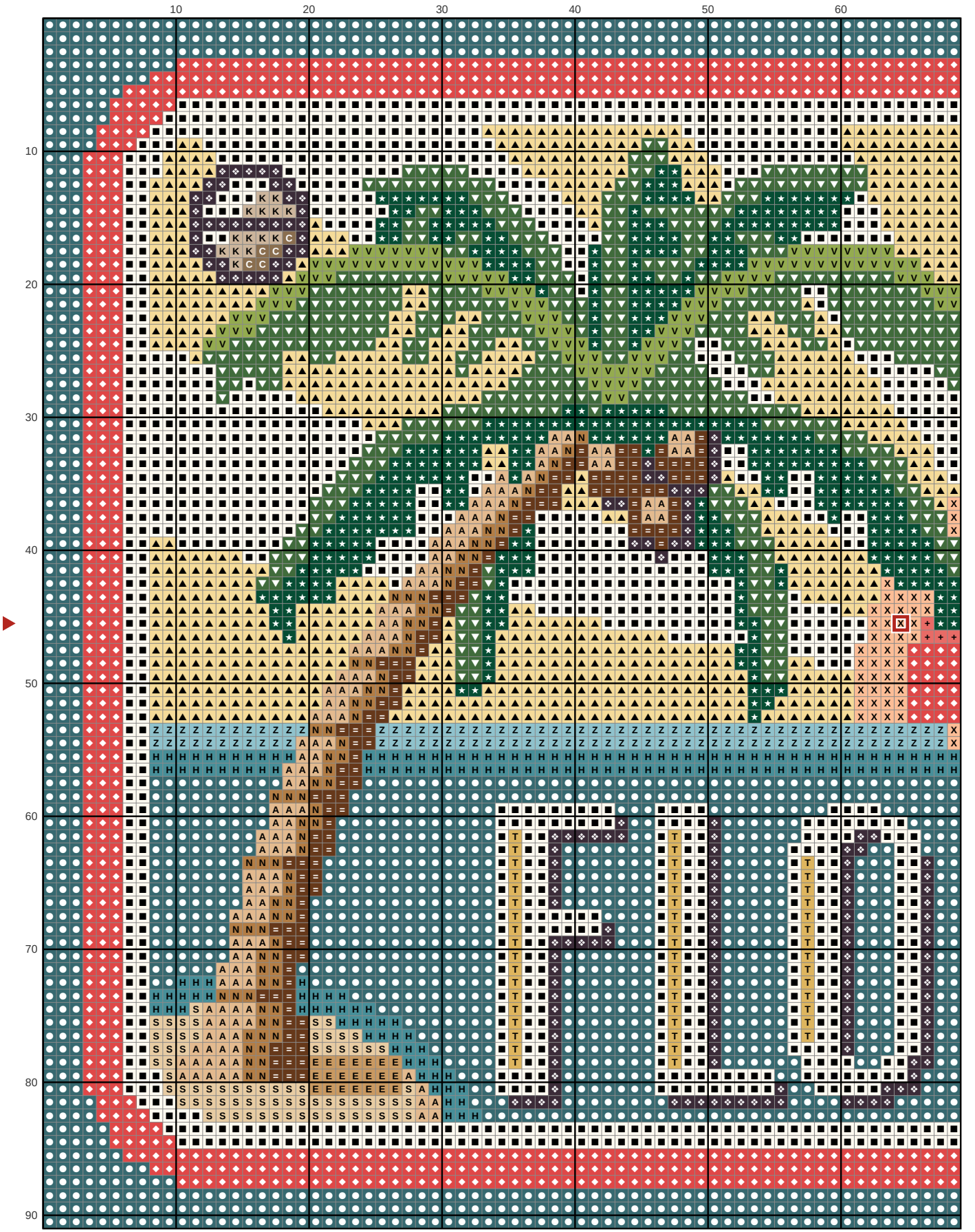

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Columns 70 to 130, rows 1 to 91. Gray squares: charted already, do not stitch again

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