African American woman in a headwrap

Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 16 colors



Thread key

			stitches	yards	skeins of floss
●	**DMC 3808**	Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	2,209	16	2
■	**DMC 782**	Dark Topaz	683	5	1
▲	**DMC 801**	Dark Coffee Brown	415	3	1
◆	**DMC 3865**	Winter White	253	2	1
▼	**DMC 3834**	Dark Grape	201	2	1
★	**DMC 437**	Light Tan	200	2	1
❖	**DMC 632**	Ultra Very Dark Desert Sand	196	2	1
X	**DMC 898**	Very Dark Coffee Brown	192	2	1
O	**DMC 352**	Light Coral	137	1	1
+	**DMC 350**	Medium Coral	136	1	1
=	**DMC 3835**	Medium Grape	133	1	1
Z	**DMC 739**	Ultra Very Light Tan	123	1	1
A	**DMC 347**	Very Dark Salmon	100	1	1
V	**DMC 938**	Ultra Dark Coffee Brown	87	1	1
T	**DMC 3363**	Medium Pine Green	62	1	1
N	**DMC 3772**	Very Dark Desert Sand	57	1	1

One chart square is one tent stitch over one canvas intersection.

Cut the canvas at least 8 x 8 in (20.3 x 20.3 cm) for 18 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

5,184 stitches in all. Start from the center: the red arrows above and to the left of the chart mark it.

Thread: six-strand floss, 4 to 6 strands in the needle on 18 mesh (counted at 6), about 17 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 5, 1 strand, about 16 skeins of 27.3 yd; or Persian wool, 1 strand, about 16 skeins of 8 yd. Wool is numbered differently: match it by eye. Needle: tapestry, size 22.

Yards and skeins are estimates: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 18 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color (about 42 yards in all, as the thread lies in the needle).

Thread colors are approximate screen matches to DMC numbers. Check against real thread before you buy.

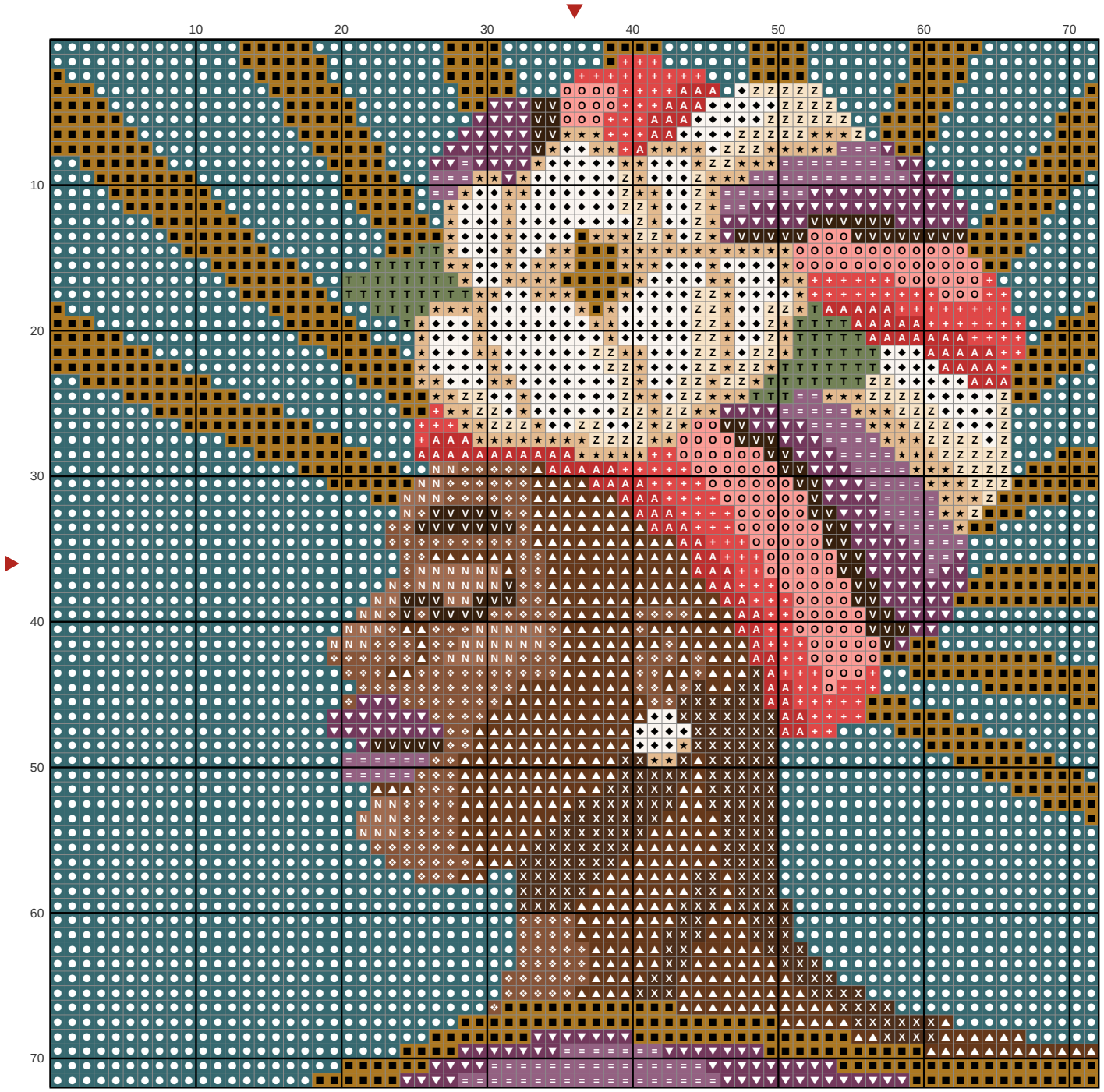
Make it an ornament: also have board, thin batting, backing fabric and twisted cord. Stitch two or three extra rows of background all round: the edge of the board takes them. "How to finish an ornament" is a guide linked from this pattern's page.

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