Colorado blue columbine

Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 14 colors



Thread key

			stitches	yards	skeins of floss
●	**DMC 939**	Very Dark Navy Blue	2,253	16	2
■	**DMC 156**	Medium Light Blue Violet	561	4	1
▲	**DMC 501**	Dark Blue Green	440	4	1
◆	**DMC 155**	Medium Dark Blue Violet	440	4	1
▼	**DMC BLANC**	White	337	3	1
★	**DMC 3746**	Dark Blue Violet	304	3	1
❖	**DMC 3747**	Very Light Blue Violet	243	2	1
X	**DMC 502**	Blue Green	225	2	1
O	**DMC 500**	Very Dark Blue Green	97	1	1
+	**DMC 3820**	Dark Straw	85	1	1
=	**DMC 503**	Medium Blue Green	73	1	1
Z	**DMC 333**	Very Dark Blue Violet	65	1	1
A	**DMC 745**	Light Pale Yellow	38	1	1
V	**DMC 782**	Dark Topaz	23	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 15 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 5, 1 strand, about 14 skeins of 27.3 yd; or Persian wool, 1 strand, about 14 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 44 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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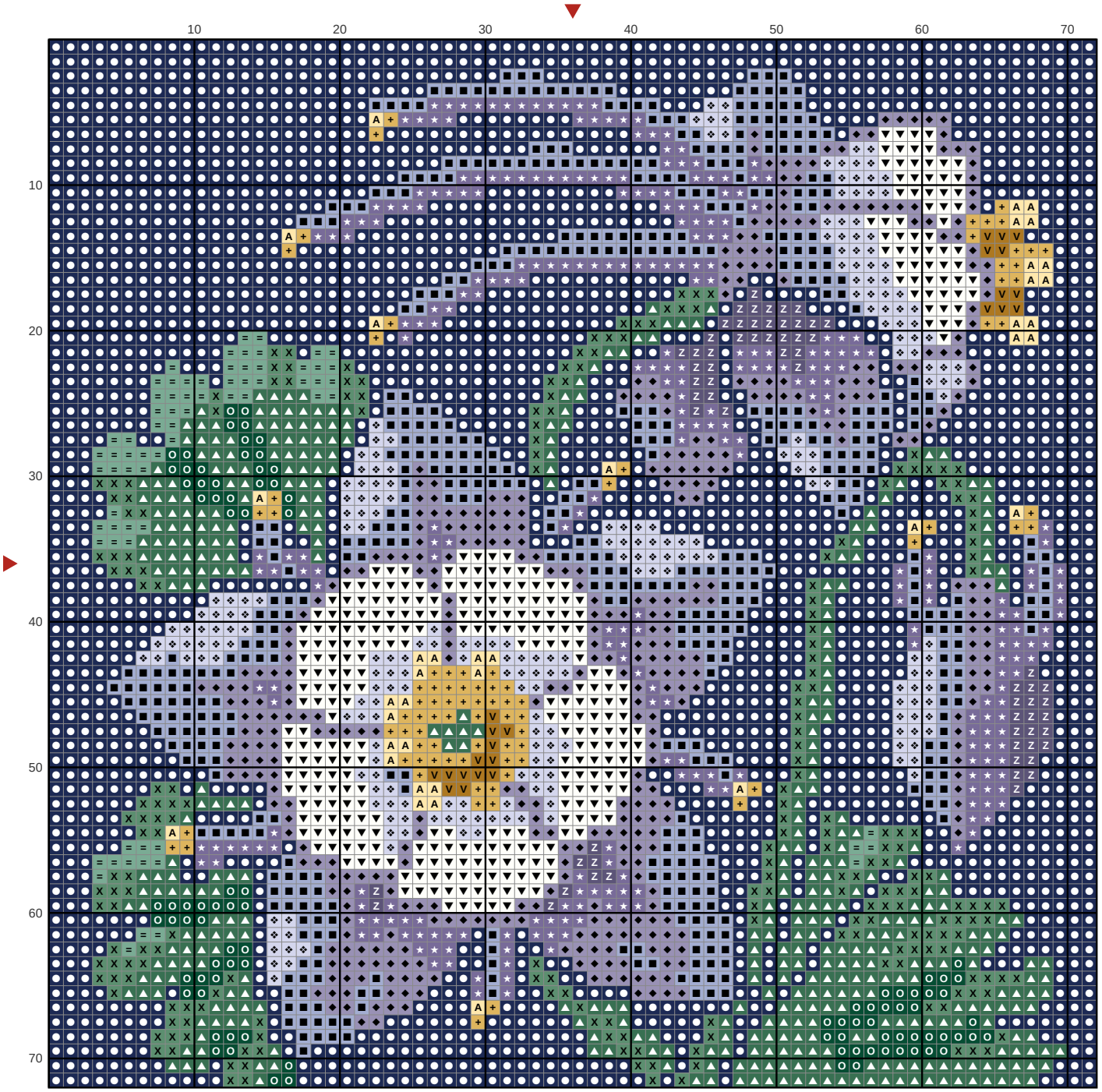

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