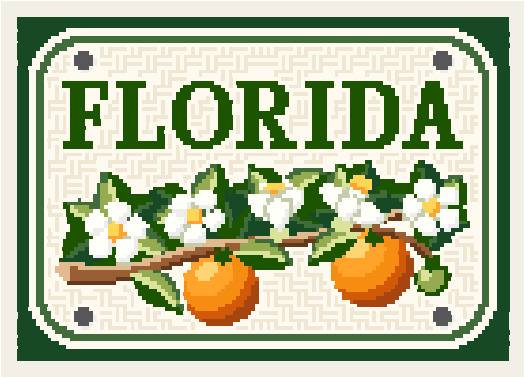
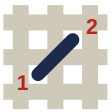
Florida license plate, orange blossoms

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 BLANC): 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 890: 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
●	**712**	Cream	3,998	6
■	**890**	Ultra Dark Pistachio Green	1,701	4
▲	**895**	Very Dark Hunter Green	1,518	3
◆	**ECRU**	Ecru	1,446	3
▼	**3346**	Hunter Green	1,008	2
★	**BLANC**	White	471	1
❖	**970**	Light Pumpkin	190	1
X	**470**	Light Avocado Green	188	1
H	**741**	Medium Tangerine	183	1
+	**472**	Ultra Light Avocado Green	161	1
=	**762**	Very Light Pearl Gray	160	1
Z	**434**	Light Brown	128	1
A	**900**	Dark Burnt Orange	122	1
V	**919**	Red Copper	106	1
T	**437**	Light Tan	98	1
N	**524**	Very Light Fern Green	94	1
S	**413**	Dark Pewter Gray	84	1
K	**801**	Dark Coffee Brown	73	1
E	**726**	Light Topaz	57	1
C	**743**	Medium Yellow	44	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.

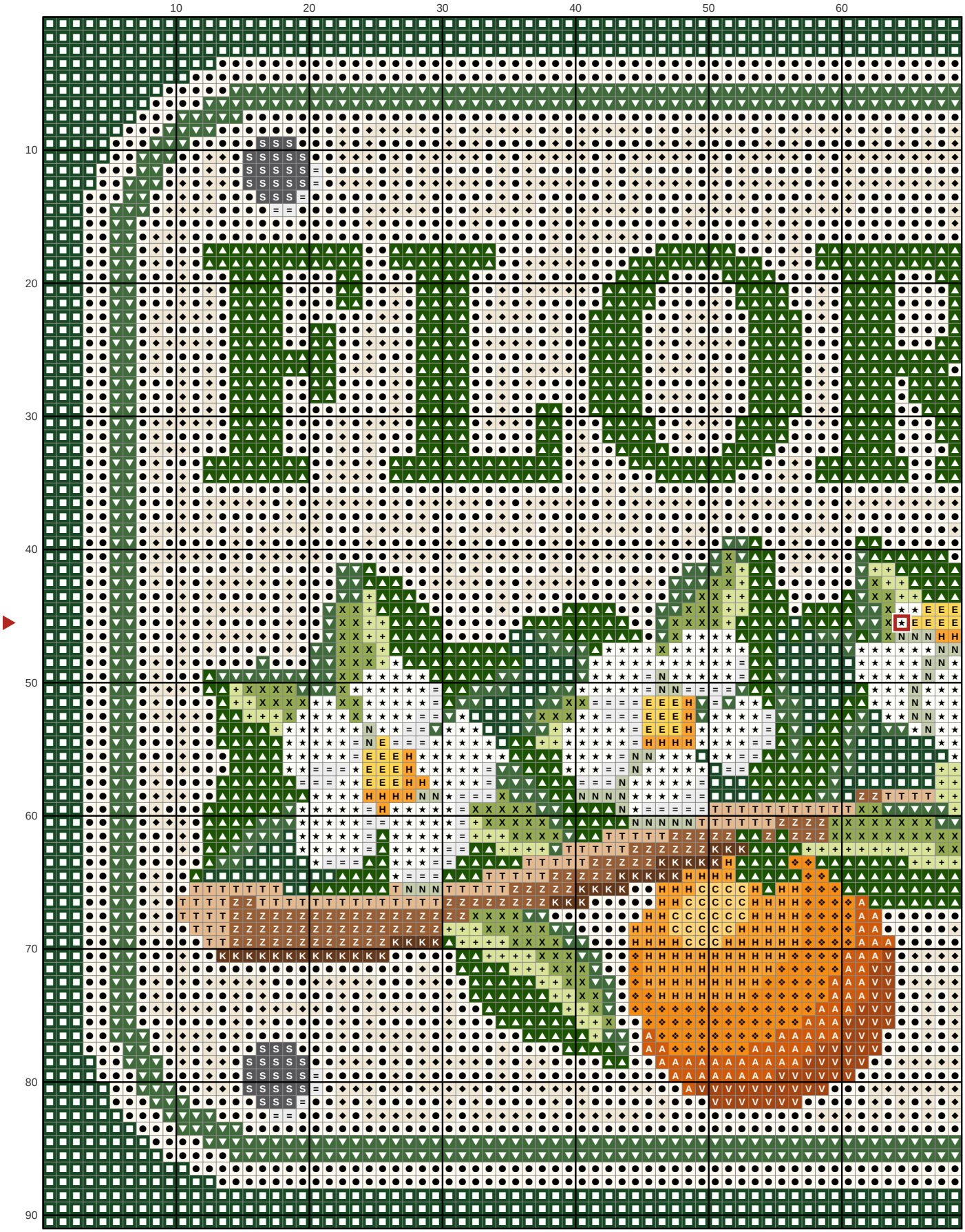
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Needlepoint pattern

Columns 1 to 69, rows 1 to 91. Start at the red outline

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Florida license plate, orange blossoms Needlepoint pattern

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

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