Montana night sky over a mountain lake

Needlepoint pattern | 90 x 126 stitches | 5 x 7 in (12.7 x 17.8 cm) on 18 mesh | 20 colors



Thread key, DMC

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	31	Blueberry	1,449	10	2
■	939	Very Dark Navy Blue	1,284	9	2
▲	32	Dark Blueberry	1,266	9	1
◆	823	Dark Navy Blue	1,094	8	1
▼	155	Medium Dark Blue Violet	1,002	7	1
★	3746	Dark Blue Violet	945	7	1
❖	341	Light Blue Violet	564	4	1
X	3371	Black Brown	548	4	1
O	931	Medium Antique Blue	516	4	1
+	930	Dark Antique Blue	459	4	1
=	3350	Ultra Dark Dusty Rose	388	3	1
Z	BLANC	White	325	3	1
A	3747	Very Light Blue Violet	281	2	1
V	605	Very Light Cranberry	270	2	1
T	818	Baby Pink	260	2	1
N	3822	Light Straw	248	2	1
S	3781	Dark Mocha Brown	155	2	1
K	520	Dark Fern Green	107	1	1
E	3731	Very Dark Dusty Rose	97	1	1
C	3820	Dark Straw	82	1	1

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

Cut the canvas at least 9 x 11 in (22.9 x 27.9 cm) for 18 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

11,340 stitches in all. Start from the center: a red arrow above the chart marks the center column, and one to the left of it the center row. The arrows are on the pages those lines cross.

The chart is on 2 pages, each cut to what is stitched: bare canvas has no page, and a join falls on plain ground where it can. Pages 2 and 3 are turned on their side, for a part that is wider than it is tall. Where chart pages join, gray squares repeat two rows. The small picture at the top of each chart page shows which part it is.

Thread: six-strand floss, 4 to 6 strands in the needle on 18 mesh (counted at 6), about 22 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 5, 1 strand, about 20 skeins of 27.3 yd; or Persian wool, 1 strand, about 20 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 85 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.

Frame it: also have acid-free board and a frame. "How to frame needlepoint" is a guide linked from this pattern's page.

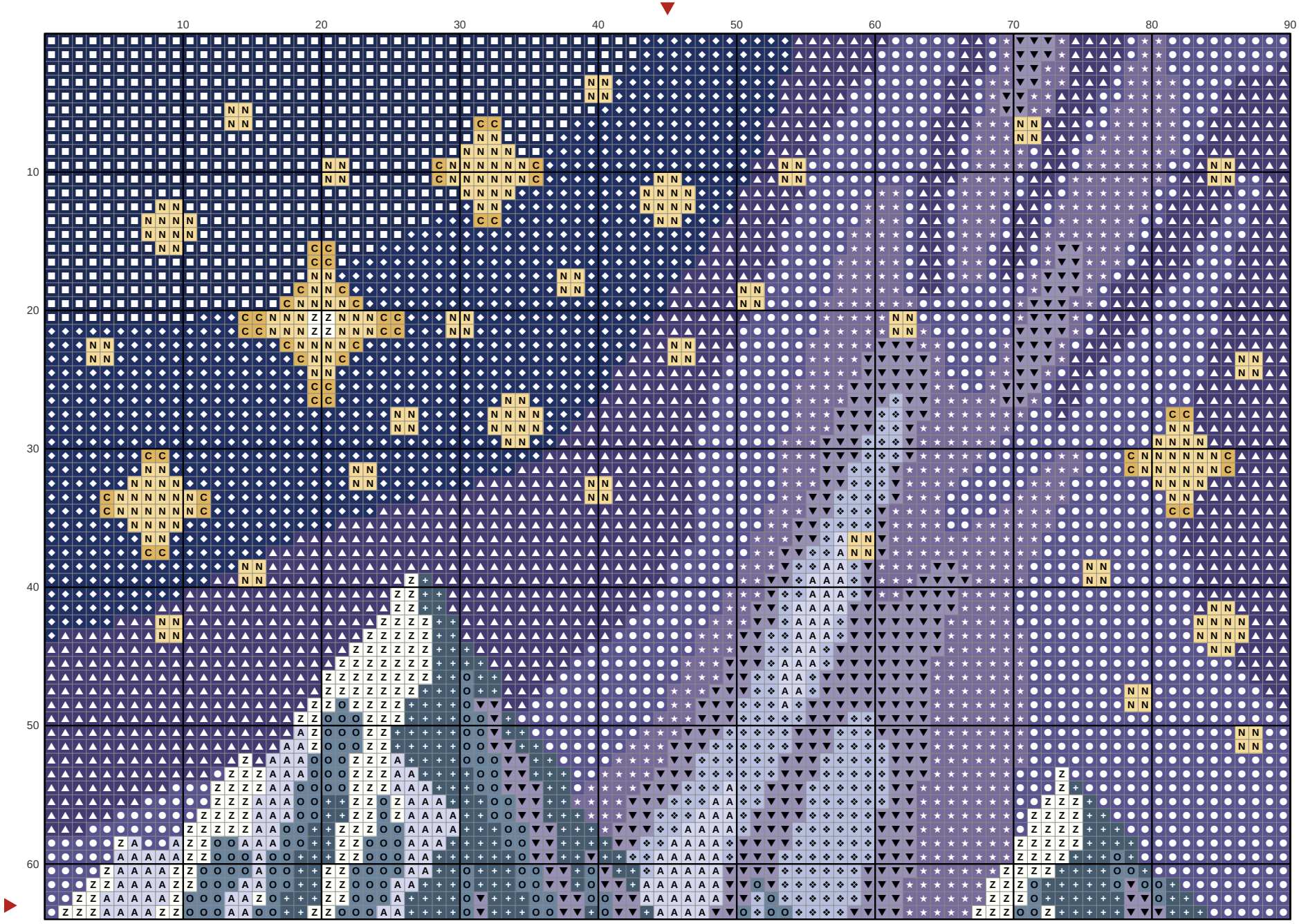
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Chart 1 of 2: columns 1 to 90, rows 1 to 64

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Chart 2 of 2: columns 1 to 90, rows 65 to 126; gray squares repeat rows 63 and 64

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