Bermuda bag cover, chinoiserie bird

Needlepoint pattern | 126 x 72 stitches | 7 x 4 in (17.8 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 17 colors



Thread key, DMC

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	**823**	Dark Navy Blue	4,243	30	4
■	**503**	Medium Blue Green	1,319	10	2
▲	**3821**	Straw	1,264	9	1
◆	**801**	Dark Coffee Brown	507	4	1
▼	**3865**	Winter White	295	3	1
★	**435**	Very Light Brown	268	2	1
❖	**783**	Medium Topaz	203	2	1
X	**351**	Coral	192	2	1
O	**3810**	Dark Turquoise	121	1	1
+	**963**	Ultra Very Light Dusty Rose	120	1	1
=	**815**	Medium Garnet	112	1	1
Z	**598**	Light Turquoise	105	1	1
A	**3341**	Apricot	80	1	1
V	**3731**	Very Dark Dusty Rose	79	1	1
T	**349**	Dark Coral	74	1	1
N	**745**	Light Pale Yellow	48	1	1
S	**501**	Dark Blue Green	42	1	1

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

Cut the canvas at least 11 x 8 in (27.9 x 20.3 cm) for 18 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

9,072 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.

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Thread: six-strand floss, 4 to 6 strands in the needle on 18 mesh (counted at 6), about 21 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 5, 1 strand, about 18 skeins of 27.3 yd; or Persian wool, 1 strand, about 18 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 71 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.

When it is stitched: also have a finisher, or the fabric and cord to make it up yourself. Ask before you stitch the edge: some finishes take extra rows. "Ways to finish needlepoint" is a guide linked from this pattern's page.

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Chart 1 of 2: columns 1 to 63, rows 1 to 72

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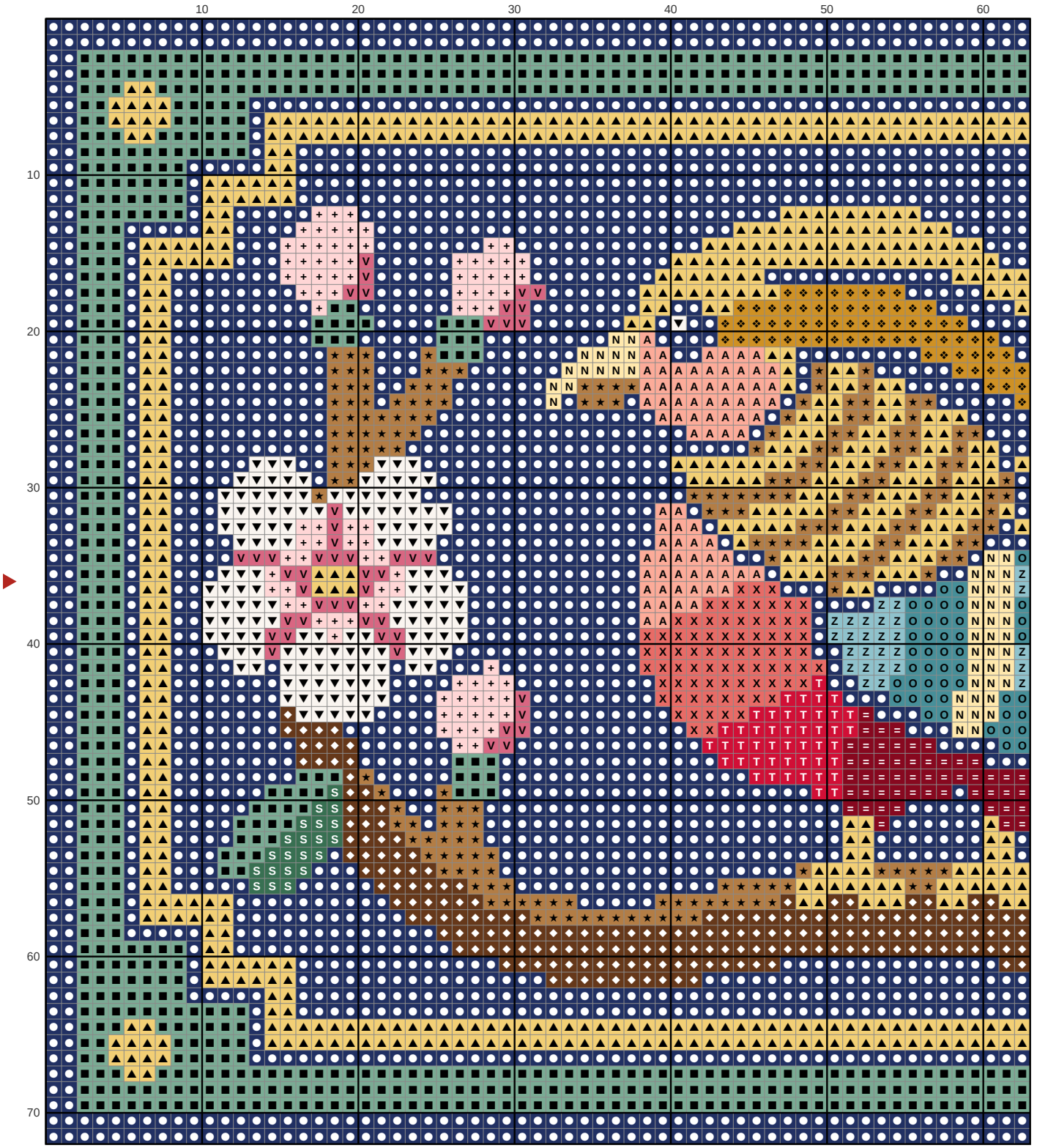

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Chart 2 of 2: columns 64 to 126, rows 1 to 72; gray squares repeat columns 62 and 63

