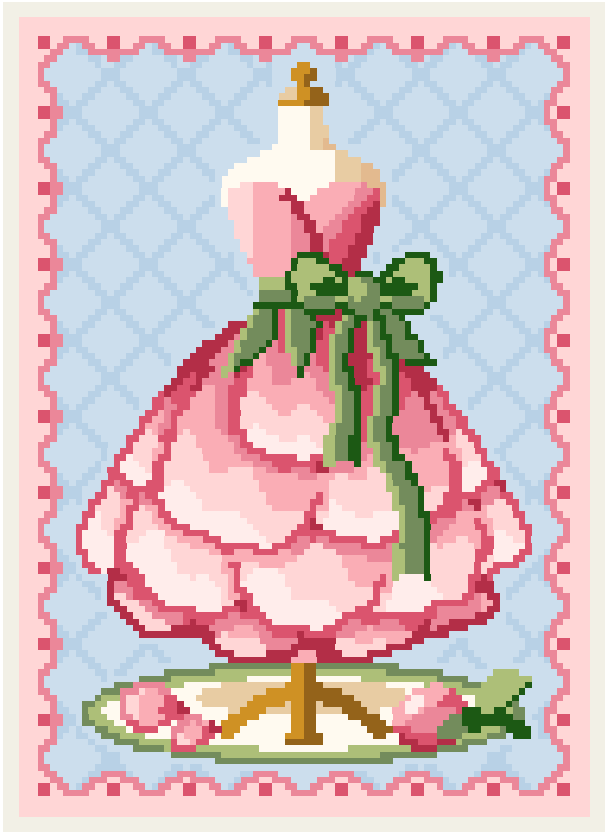
Girly pink peony ball gown

Needlepoint pattern | 90 x 126 stitches | 5 x 7 in (12.7 x 17.8 cm) on 18 mesh | 16 colors



Thread key, DMC

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	**3841**	Pale Baby Blue	3,294	23	3
■	**963**	Ultra Very Light Dusty Rose	2,281	16	2
▲	**3325**	Light Baby Blue	1,130	8	1
◆	**3833**	Light Raspberry	964	7	1
▼	**3832**	Medium Raspberry	717	5	1
★	**3326**	Light Rose	579	4	1
❖	**819**	Light Baby Pink	445	4	1
X	**988**	Medium Forest Green	412	3	1
O	**471**	Very Light Avocado Green	351	3	1
+	**3831**	Dark Raspberry	321	3	1
=	**712**	Cream	304	3	1
Z	**3345**	Dark Hunter Green	246	2	1
A	**738**	Very Light Tan	123	1	1
V	**780**	Ultra Very Dark Topaz	80	1	1
T	**783**	Medium Topaz	76	1	1
N	**437**	Light Tan	17	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 19 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 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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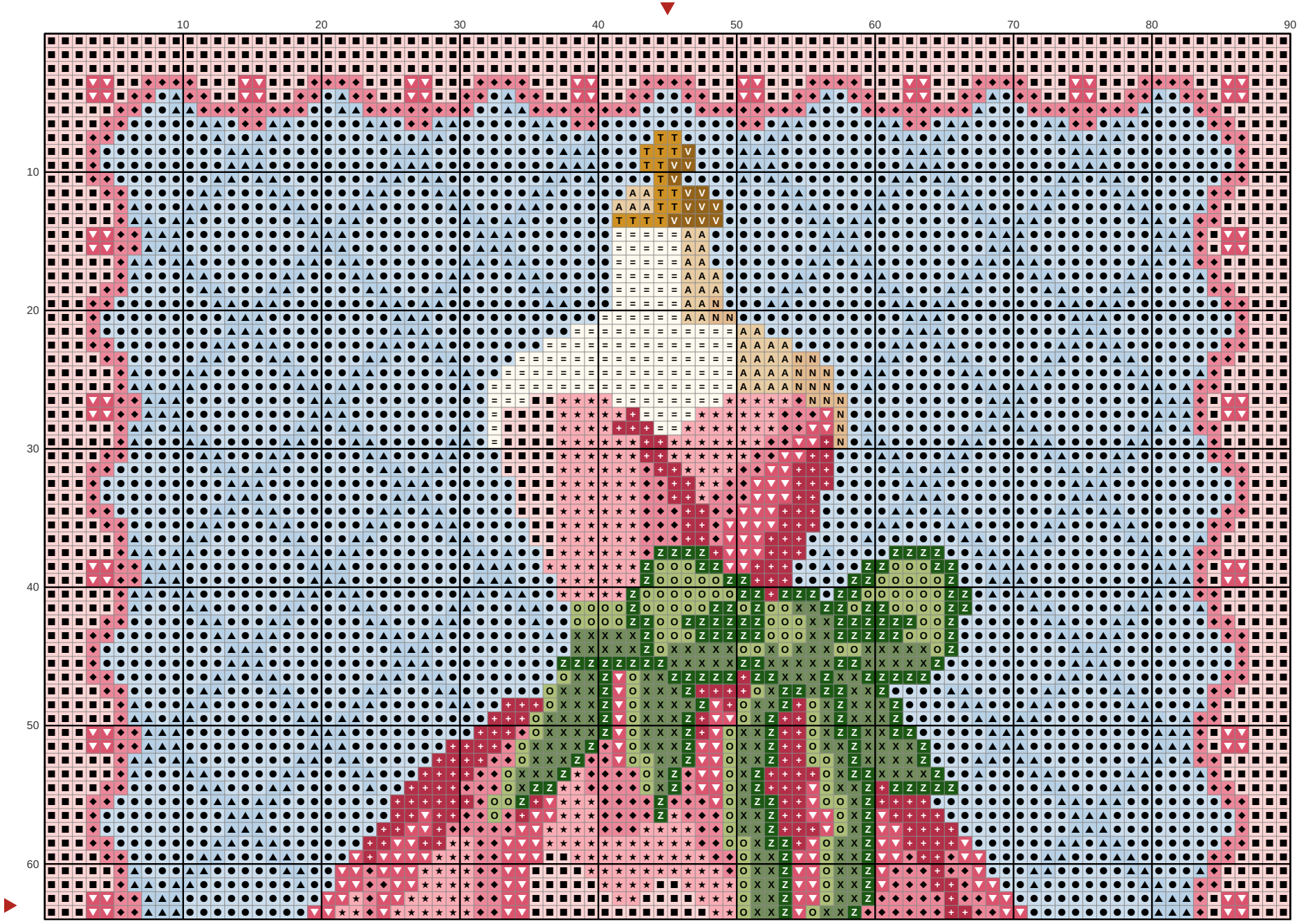

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Chart 2 of 2: columns 1 to 90, rows 65 to 126; gray squares repeat rows 63 and 64

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