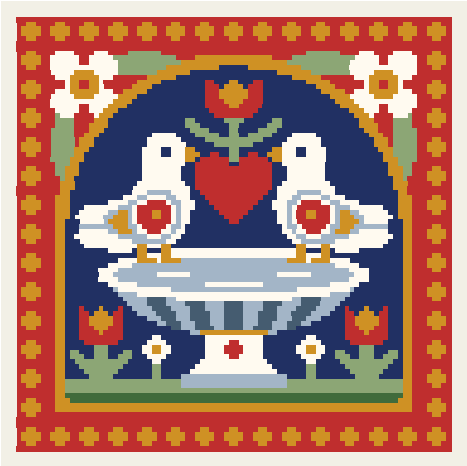
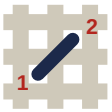
Folk art bird bath with two doves

Needlepoint pattern | 90 x 90 stitches | 5 x 5 in (12.7 x 12.7 cm) on 18 mesh | 8 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 45, row 45 (DMC 823): 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 347: the opening's edge 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, 18 mesh (18 threads to the inch), cut 9.5 in square (24.1 cm).

Needle: blunt tapestry, size 22. Also masking tape for the cut edges, and small scissors.

Thread: six-strand floss, 8 colors, about 12 skeins in all (an estimate). Stitch with 4 strands (5 or 6 if canvas shows).

Fit it into a lid: the box or tray, acid-free board and backing. Measure the opening first.
How to fit it into a lid.

Thread list

			stitches	skeins of floss
●	**DMC 347**	Very Dark Salmon	2,420	3
■	**DMC 823**	Dark Navy Blue	1,788	2
▲	**DMC 783**	Medium Topaz	1,474	2
◆	**DMC 712**	Cream	1,044	1
▼	**DMC 932**	Light Antique Blue	572	1
★	**DMC 989**	Forest Green	548	1
❖	**DMC 3346**	Hunter Green	138	1
X	**DMC 930**	Dark Antique Blue	116	1

Skeins are estimates, with the two extra rows: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 18 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.

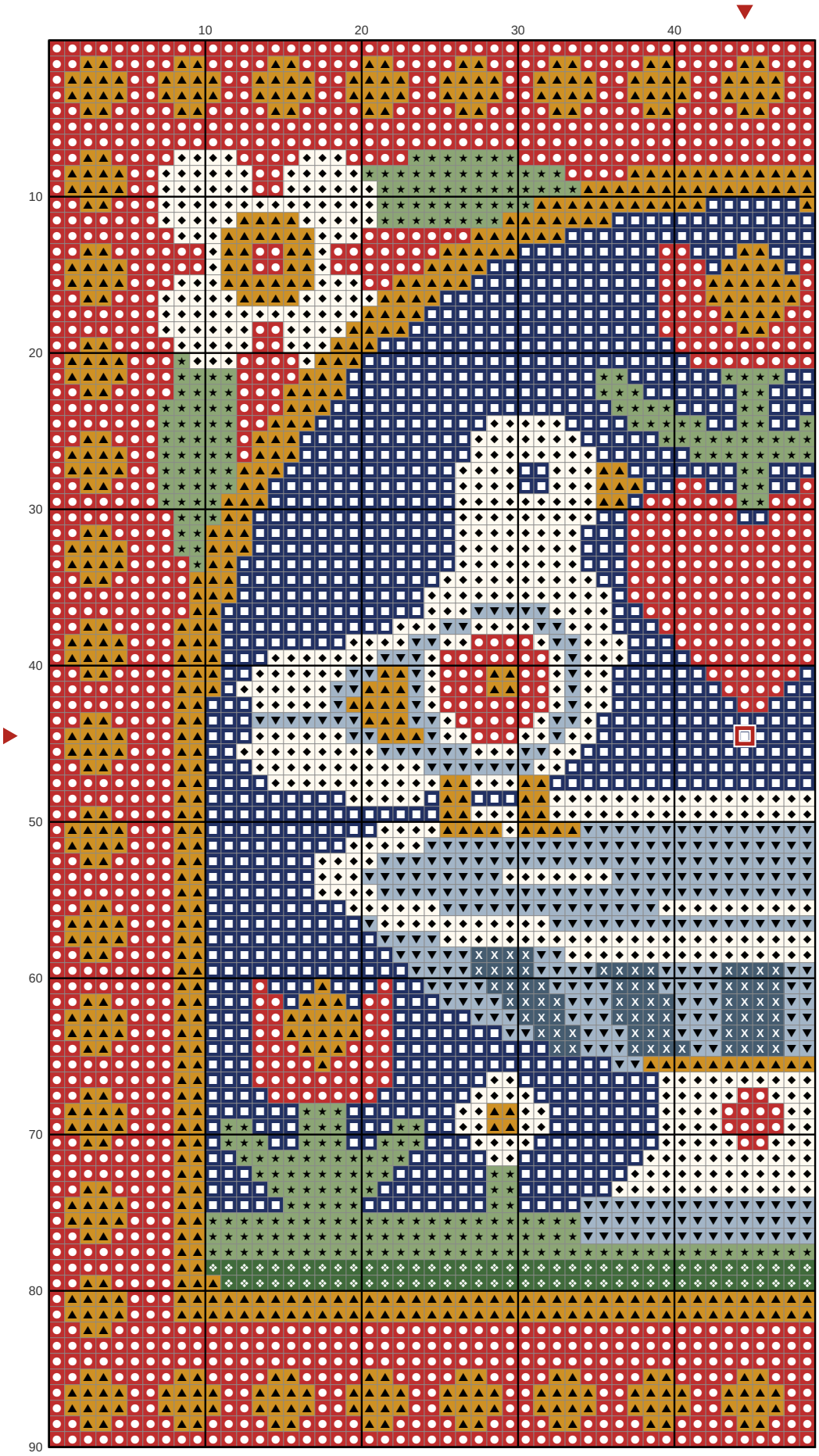
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Needlepoint pattern

Columns 1 to 49, rows 1 to 90. Start at the red outline

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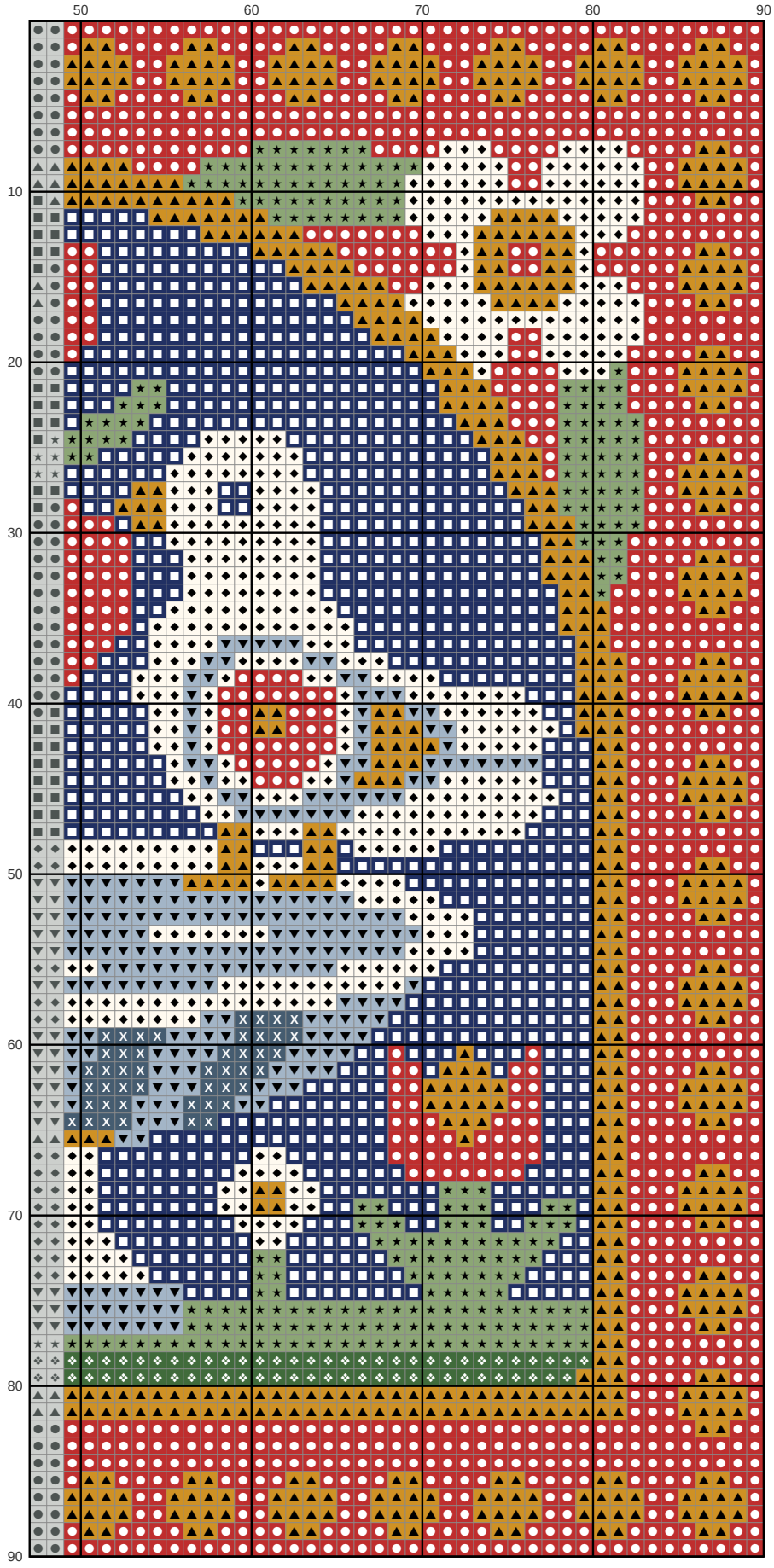
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Needlepoint pattern

Columns 50 to 90, rows 1 to 90. Gray squares: charted already, do not stitch again

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