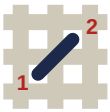
Folk art birthday cake

Needlepoint pattern | 140 x 140 stitches | 14 x 14 in (35.6 x 35.6 cm) on 10 mesh | 15 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 70, row 70 (DMC 744): 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 823: 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, 10 mesh (10 threads to the inch), cut 18.5 in square (47 cm).

Needle: blunt tapestry, size 18. Also masking tape for the cut edges, and small scissors.

Thread: pearl cotton size 3, 15 colors, about 39 skeins in all (an estimate). Stitch with 2 lengths together.

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
●	**823**	Dark Navy Blue	4,074	8
■	**3823**	Ultra Pale Yellow	3,928	6
▲	**742**	Light Tangerine	2,566	4
◆	**989**	Forest Green	2,090	4
▼	**350**	Medium Coral	1,974	3
★	**824**	Very Dark Blue	1,044	2
❖	**3346**	Hunter Green	846	2
X	**BLANC**	White	750	2
H	**3809**	Very Dark Turquoise	742	2
+	**720**	Dark Orange Spice	398	1
=	**3766**	Light Peacock Blue	312	1
Z	**3706**	Medium Melon	286	1
A	**817**	Very Dark Coral Red	264	1
V	**744**	Pale Yellow	250	1
T	**3325**	Light Baby Blue	76	1

Skeins are estimates, with the two extra rows: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 10 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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Columns 1 to 74, rows 1 to 74. Start at the red outline

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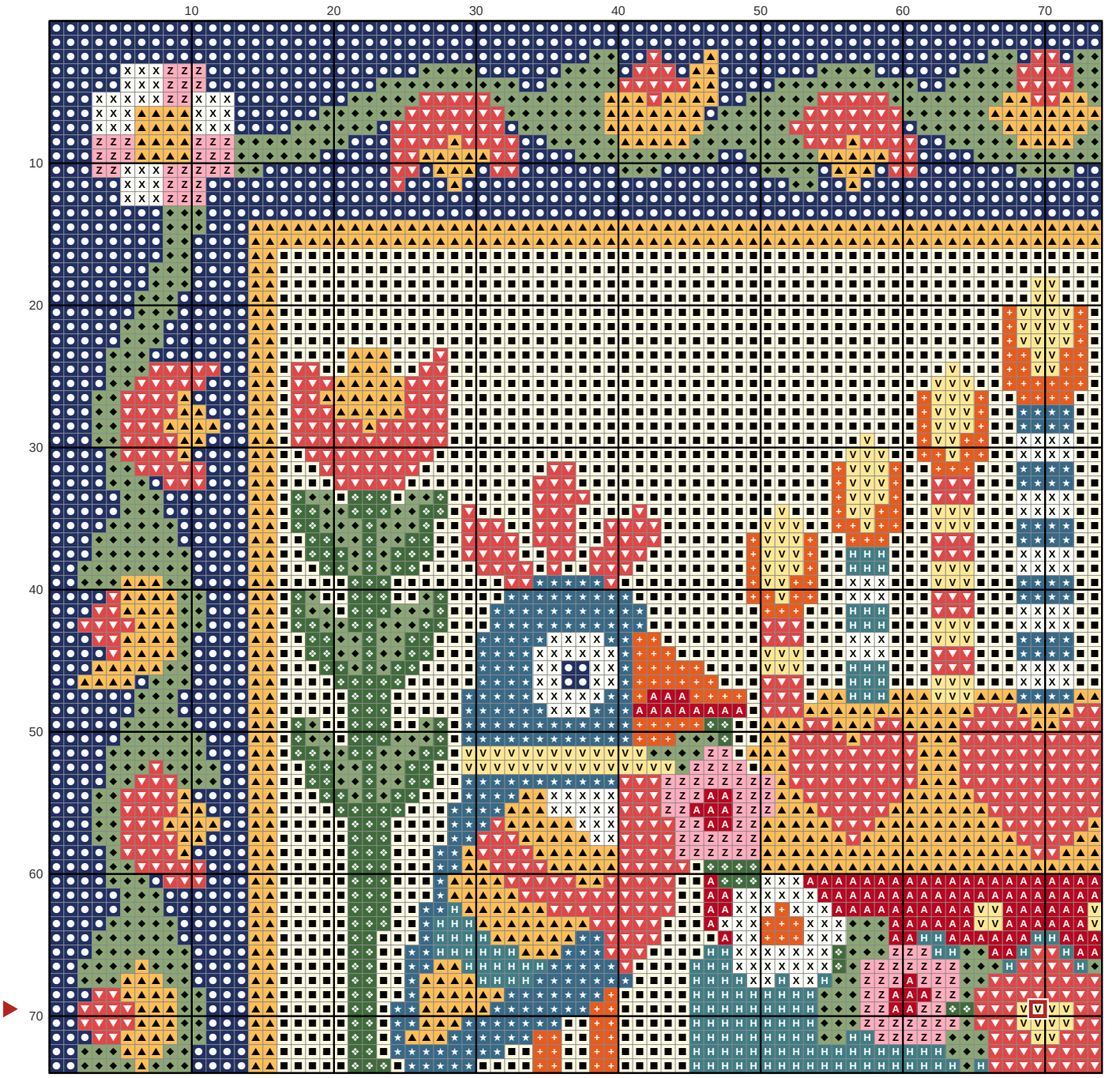

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- **DMC 3706** Medium Melon
- **DMC 817** Very Dark Coral Red
- **DMC 744** Pale Yellow

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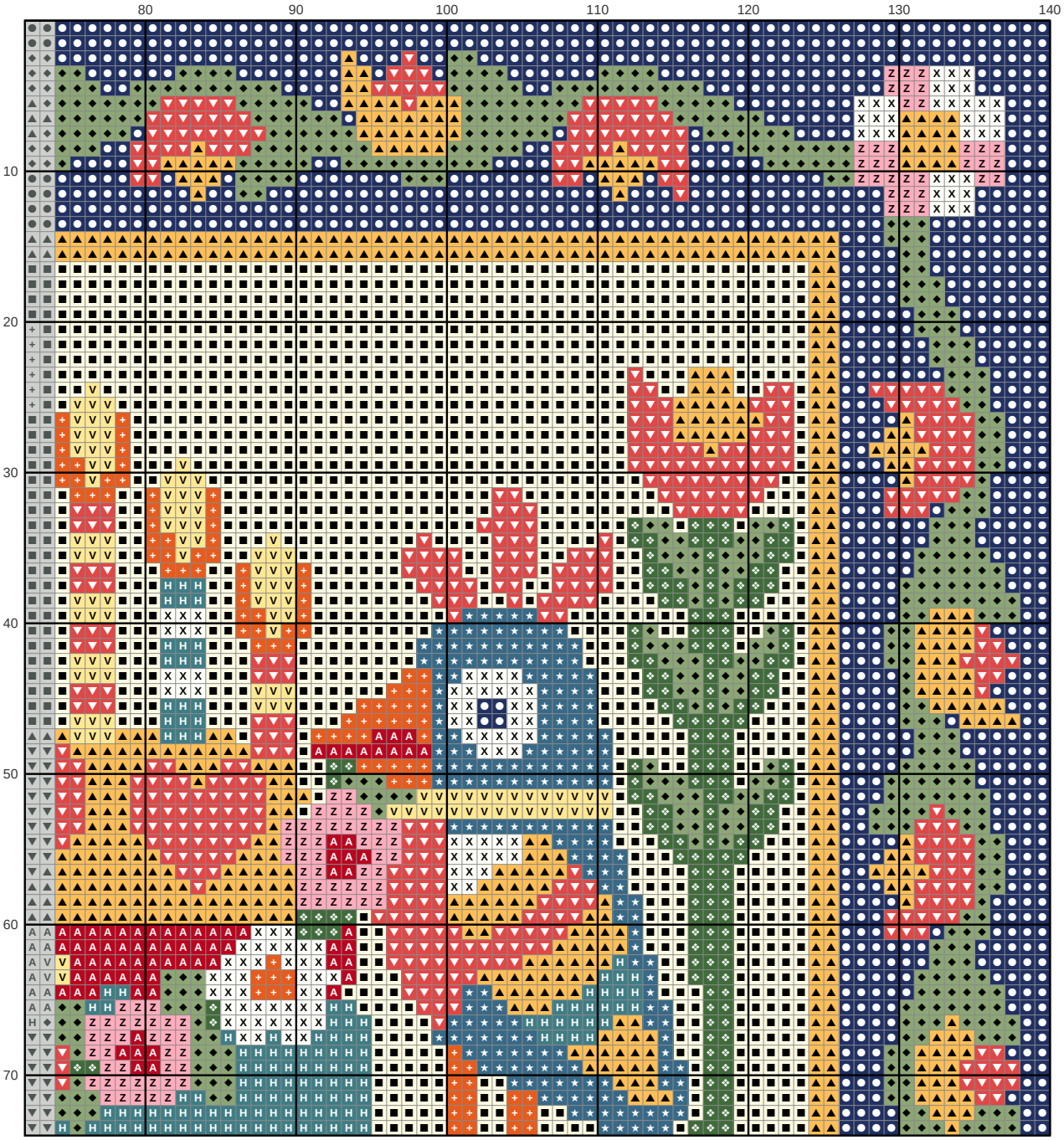

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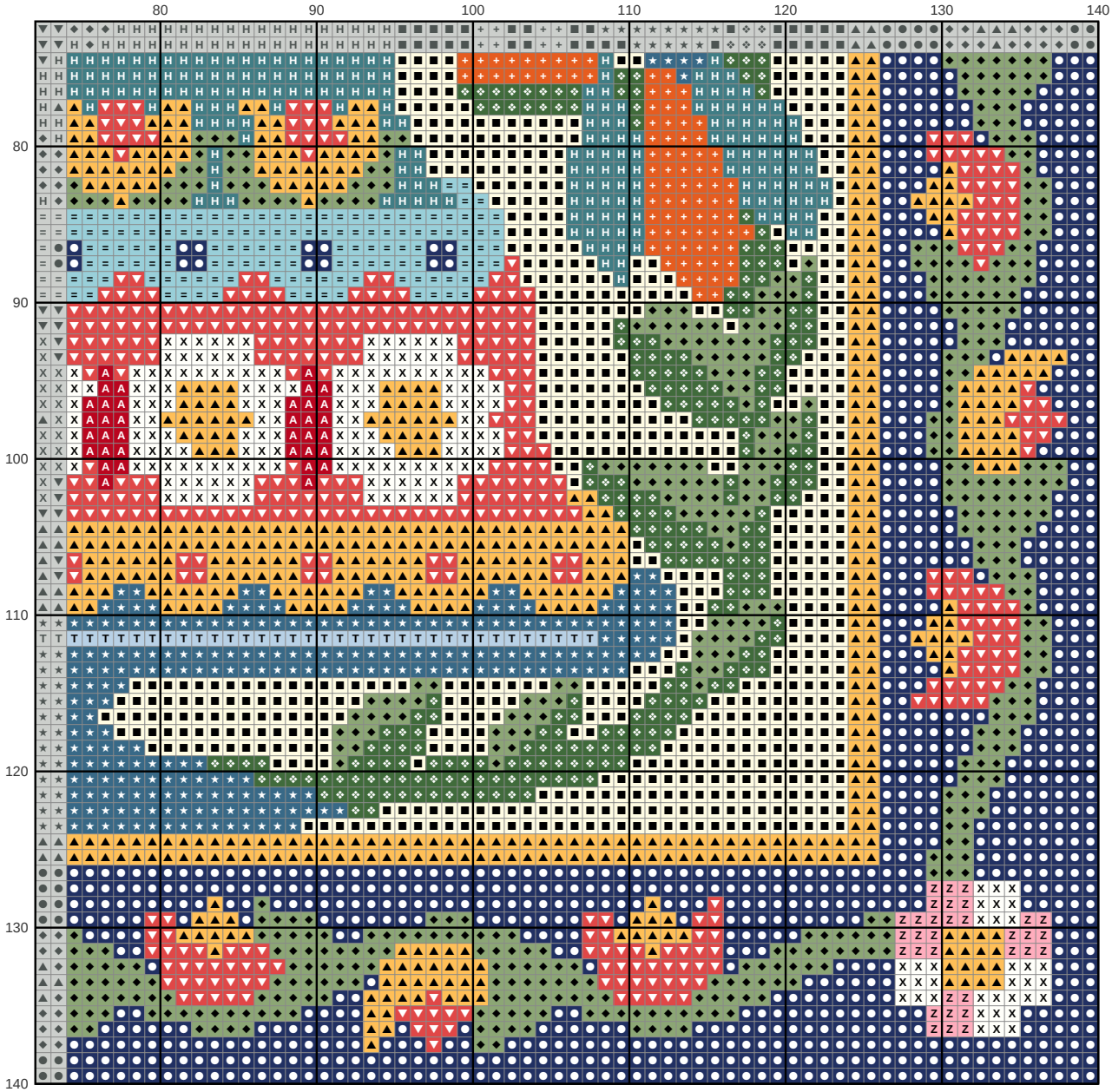

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