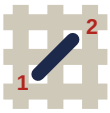
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Needlepoint pattern | 135 x 170 stitches | 13.5 x 17 in (34.3 x 43.2 cm) on 10 mesh | 12 colors




## 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 68, row 85 (DMC 310): 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 310: the seam hides them.

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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 in wide x 21.5 in high (45.7 x 54.6 cm).

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

**Thread:** pearl cotton size 3, 12 colors, about 44 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ● | **310** | Black | 17,530 | 29 |
| ■ | **BLANC** | White | 2,421 | 4 |
| ▲ | **3838** | Dark Lavender Blue | 731 | 2 |
| ◆ | **743** | Medium Yellow | 380 | 1 |
| ▼ | **312** | Very Dark Baby Blue | 375 | 1 |
| ★ | **3608** | Very Light Plum | 366 | 1 |
| ❖ | **3840** | Light Lavender Blue | 336 | 1 |
| X | **3846** | Light Bright Turquoise | 262 | 1 |
| H | **3607** | Light Plum | 208 | 1 |
| + | **970** | Light Pumpkin | 174 | 1 |
| = | **917** | Medium Plum | 96 | 1 |
| Z | **3844** | Dark Bright Turquoise | 71 | 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.

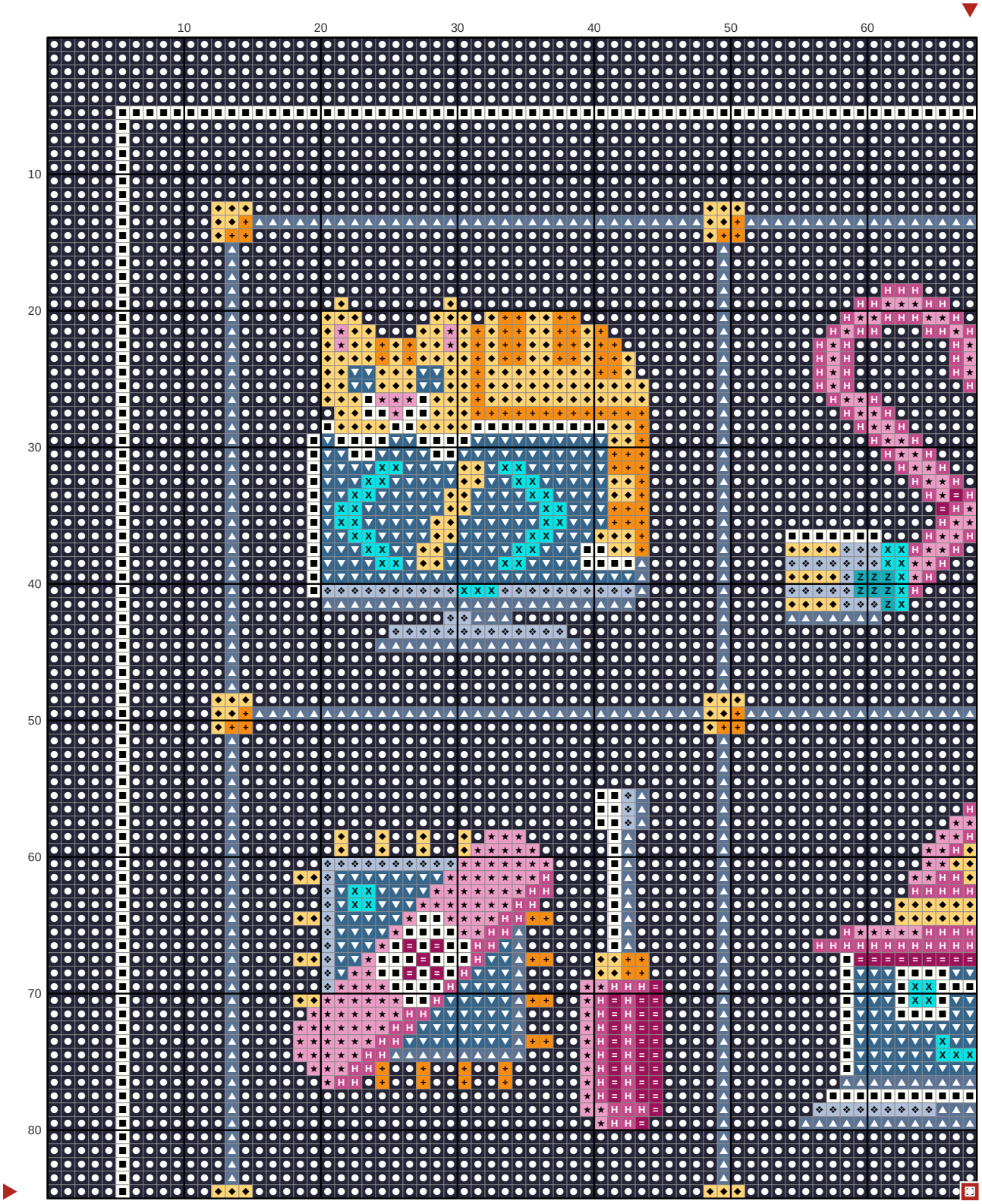
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Columns 1 to 68, rows 1 to 85. Start at the red outline




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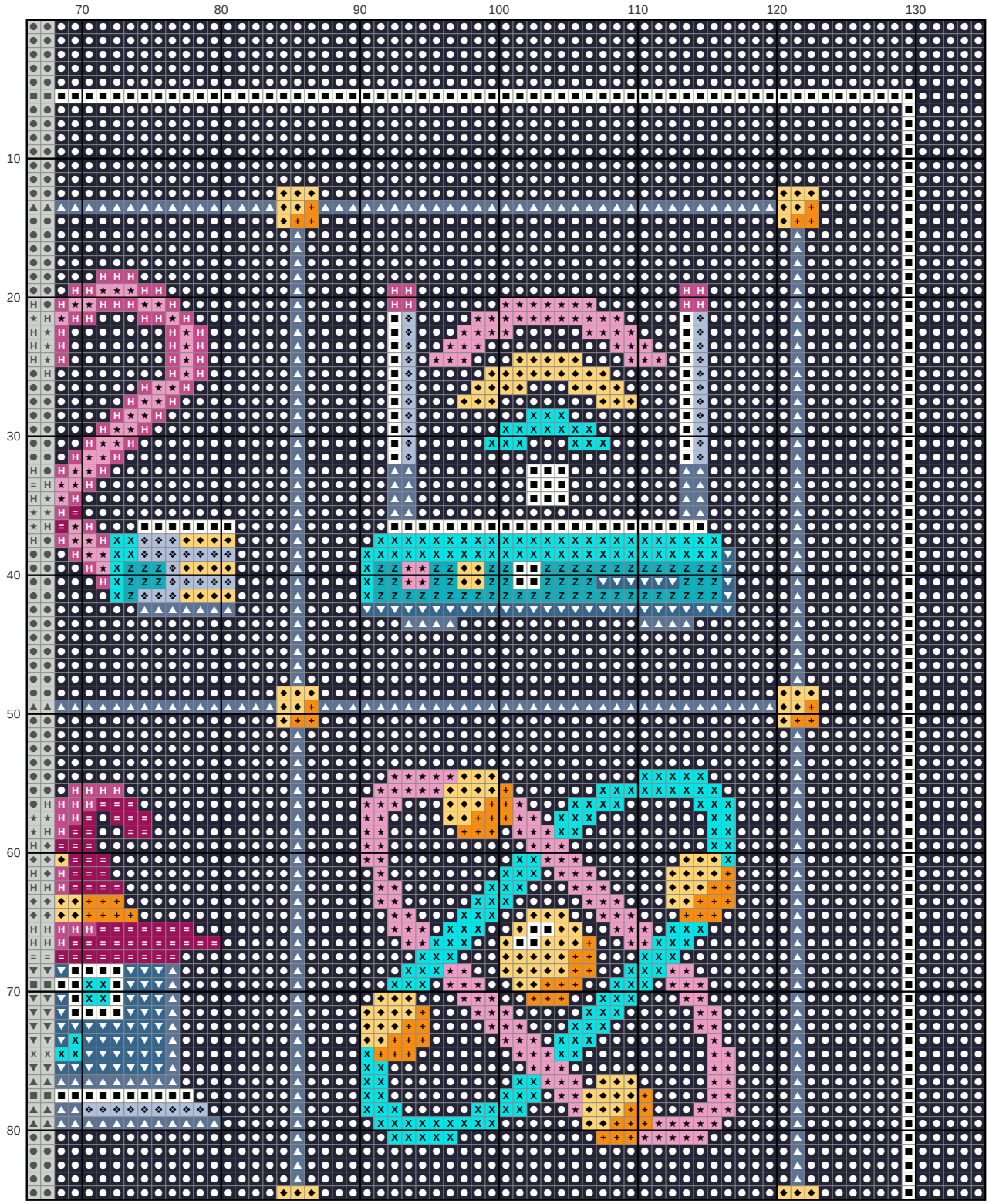
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- **DMC 3844** Dark Bright Turquoise

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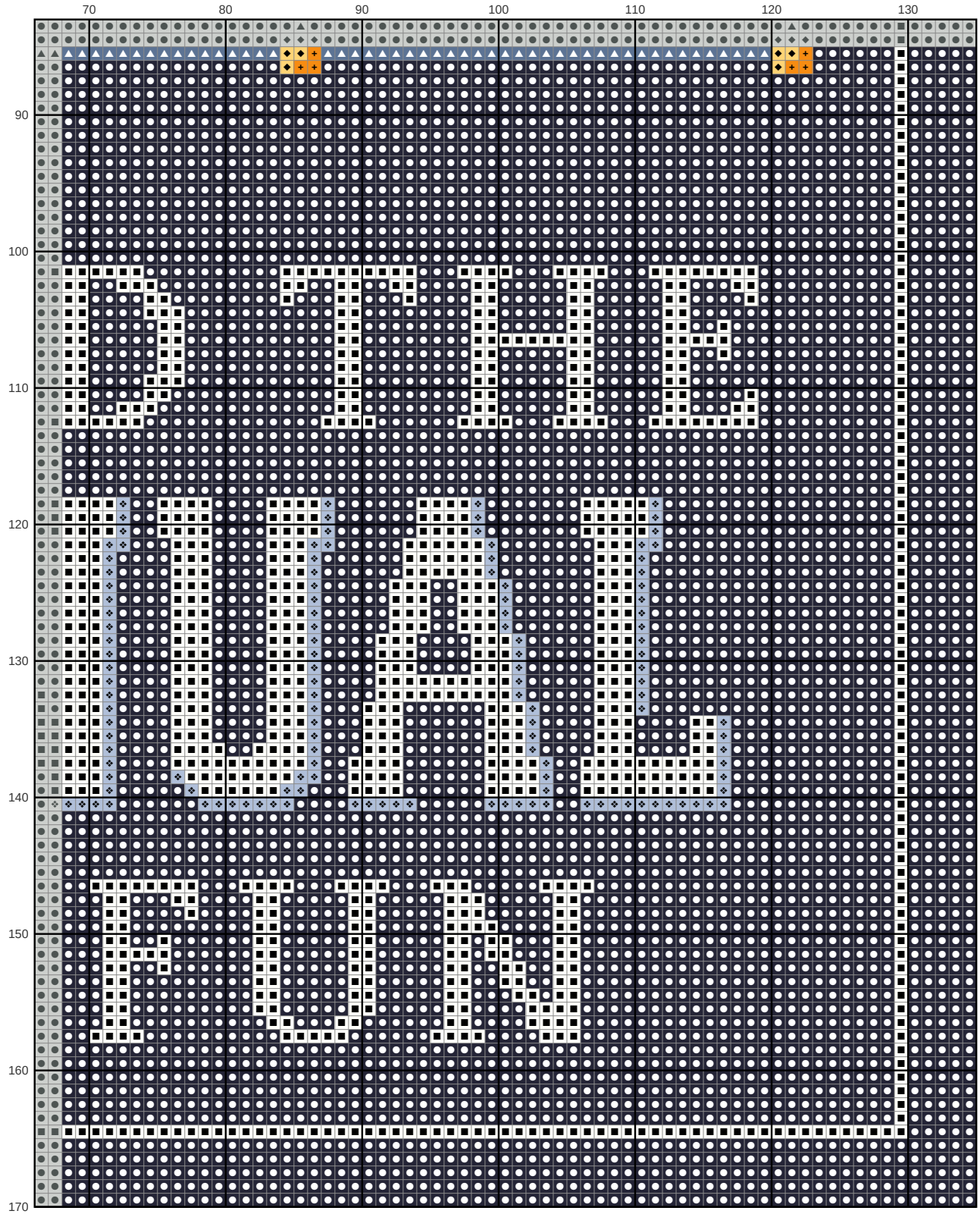
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