Red bargello heart ornament

Needlepoint pattern | 70 x 64 canvas threads | 3.9 x 3.6 in (9.9 x 9 cm) on 18 mesh | 6 colors



Thread key

			squares	yards	skeins of pearl
●	**DMC 304**	Medium Red	668	4	1
■	**DMC 814**	Dark Garnet	638	3	1
▲	**DMC 350**	Medium Coral	618	3	1
◆	**DMC 783**	Medium Topaz	554	3	1
▼	**DMC 352**	Light Coral	554	3	1
★	**DMC 353**	Peach	288	2	1

Each upright stitch covers 4 canvas threads; some are shorter, inside the pattern and where the pattern meets the outline. One chart square is one canvas thread, and each outlined bar is one stitch, with its symbol in the middle.

Cut the canvas at least 7.9 x 7.6 in (20 x 19.2 cm) for 18 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

3,320 chart squares stitched in all, inside the outline: the chart is 70 x 64 at its widest and tallest. Start from the center: the red arrows above and to the left of the chart mark it.

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

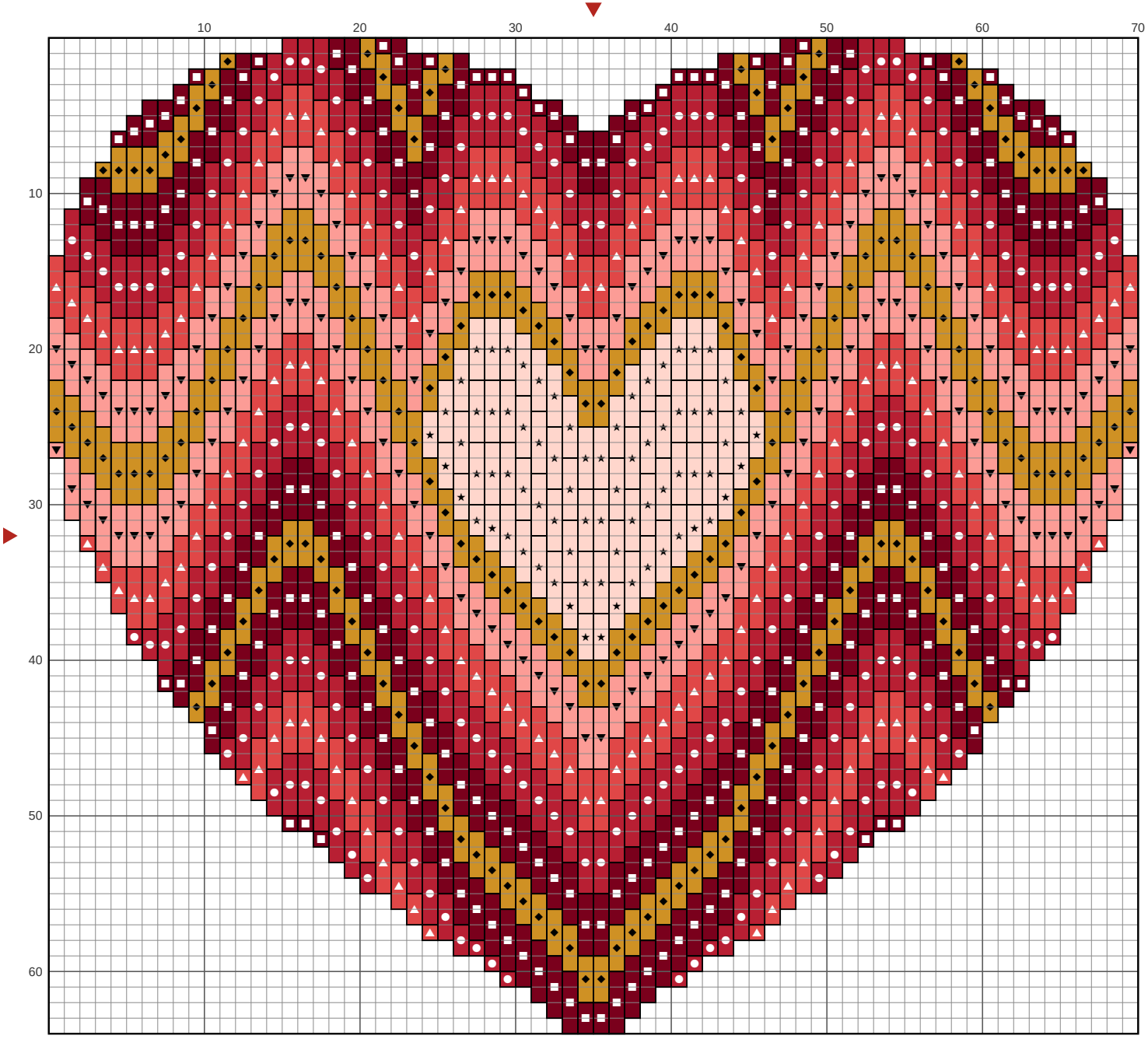
Make it an ornament: also have board, thin batting, backing fabric and twisted cord. Stitch two or three rows of tent stitch all round, outside the pattern: the edge of the board takes them. "How to finish an ornament" is a guide linked from this pattern's page.

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