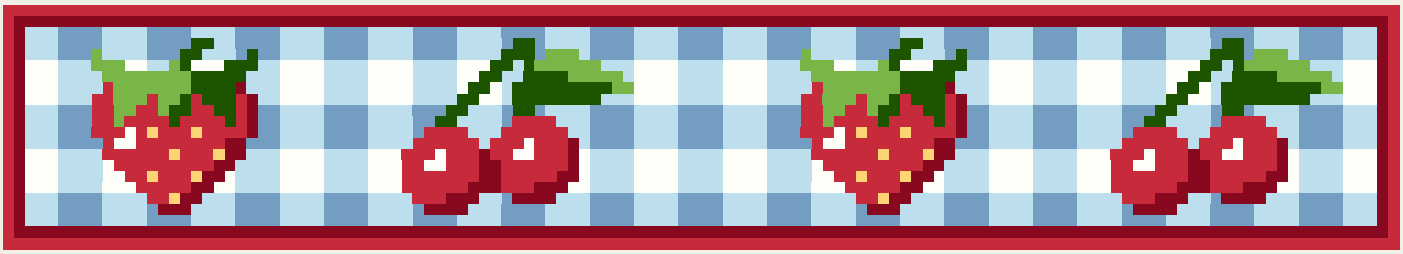
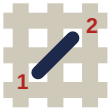
Gingham key fob

Needlepoint pattern | 126 x 22 stitches | 7 x 1.2 in (17.8 x 3.1 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, column 63, row 11 (DMC 334): start there. Count threads, not holes.
4. Go on from it: picture first, background last. End the thread before crossing another color.

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 11 in wide x 5.5 in high (27.9 x 14 cm).

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

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

Make it a key fob: key fob hardware (a clamp as wide as the strip, with its ring) and cotton tape or fabric for the back. The clamp hides the two ends. A finisher may want two extra rows along the two long edges in DMC 321, the color at its edge, which are turned under. How to make a key fob.

Thread list

			stitches	skeins of floss
●	**DMC 827**	Very Light Blue	810	1
■	**DMC 321**	Red	584	1
▲	**DMC 334**	Medium Baby Blue	452	1
◆	**DMC 815**	Medium Garnet	378	1
▼	**DMC BLANC**	White	306	1
★	**DMC 895**	Very Dark Hunter Green	138	1
❖	**DMC 703**	Chartreuse	90	1
X	**DMC 743**	Medium Yellow	14	1

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.
Thread colors are approximate screen matches to DMC numbers. Check against real thread before you buy.
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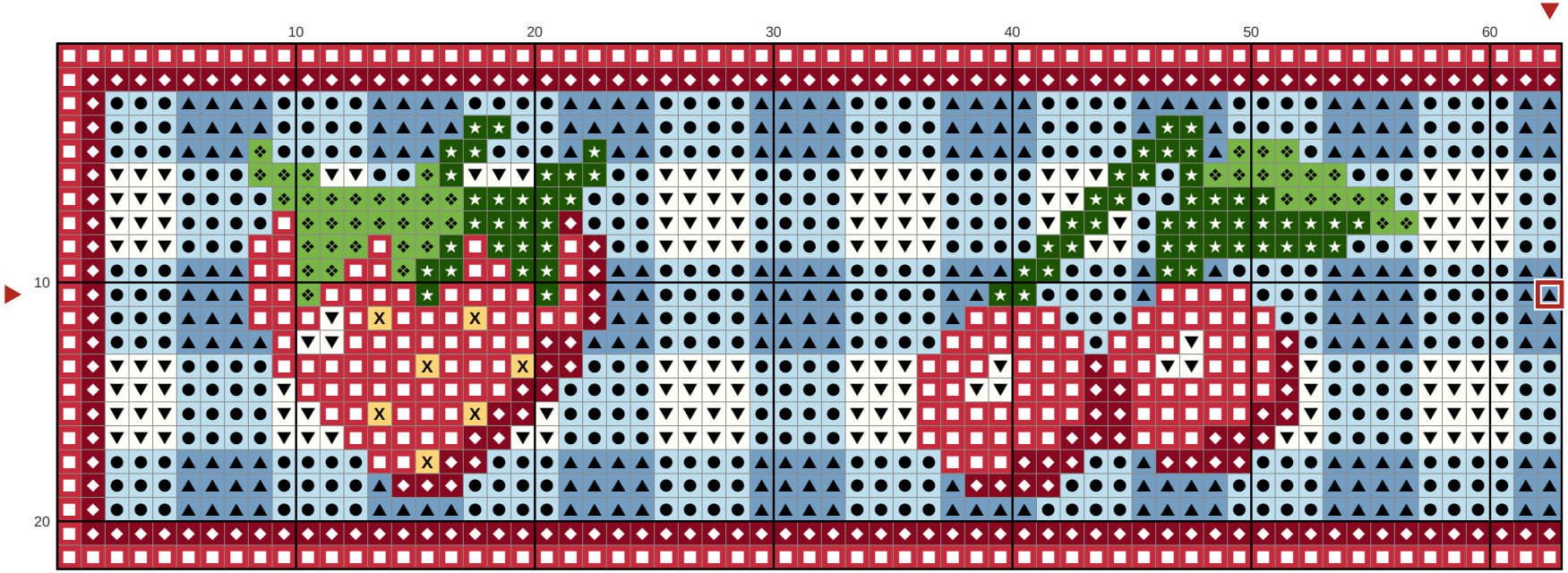
Columns 1 to 63, rows 1 to 22. Start at the red outline



Columns 64 to 126, rows 1 to 22. Gray squares: charted already, do not stitch again

