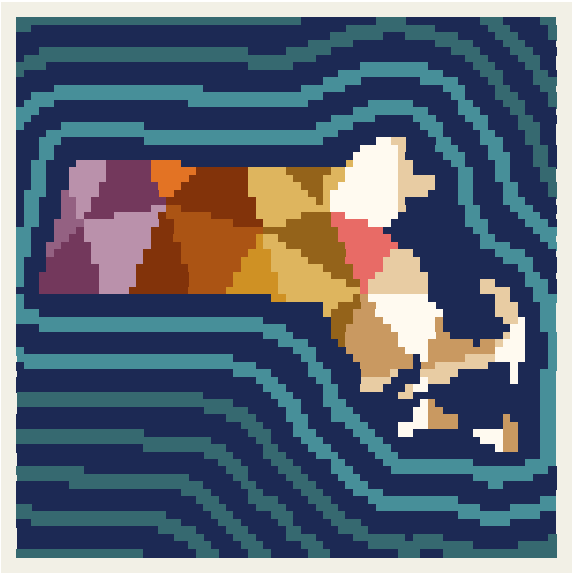
Modern Massachusetts state shape

Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 16 colors



Thread key

			stitches	yards	skeins of floss
●	**DMC 939**	Very Dark Navy Blue	2,661	19	3
■	**DMC 3810**	Dark Turquoise	744	6	1
▲	**DMC 3808**	Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	649	5	1
◆	**DMC 712**	Cream	170	2	1
▼	**DMC 3820**	Dark Straw	123	1	1
★	**DMC 918**	Dark Red Copper	118	1	1
❖	**DMC 738**	Very Light Tan	108	1	1
X	**DMC 3834**	Dark Grape	105	1	1
O	**DMC 436**	Tan	105	1	1
+	**DMC 3836**	Light Grape	104	1	1
=	**DMC 920**	Medium Copper	90	1	1
Z	**DMC 780**	Ultra Very Dark Topaz	87	1	1
A	**DMC 351**	Coral	47	1	1
V	**DMC 783**	Medium Topaz	34	1	1
T	**DMC 922**	Light Copper	20	1	1
N	**DMC 3835**	Medium Grape	19	1	1

One chart square is one tent stitch over one canvas intersection.

Cut the canvas at least 8 x 8 in (20.3 x 20.3 cm) for 18 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

5,184 stitches in all. Start from the center: the red arrows above and to the left of the chart mark it.

Thread: six-strand floss, 4 to 6 strands in the needle on 18 mesh (counted at 6), about 18 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 5, 1 strand, about 16 skeins of 27.3 yd; or Persian wool, 1 strand, about 16 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 44 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 extra rows of background all round: 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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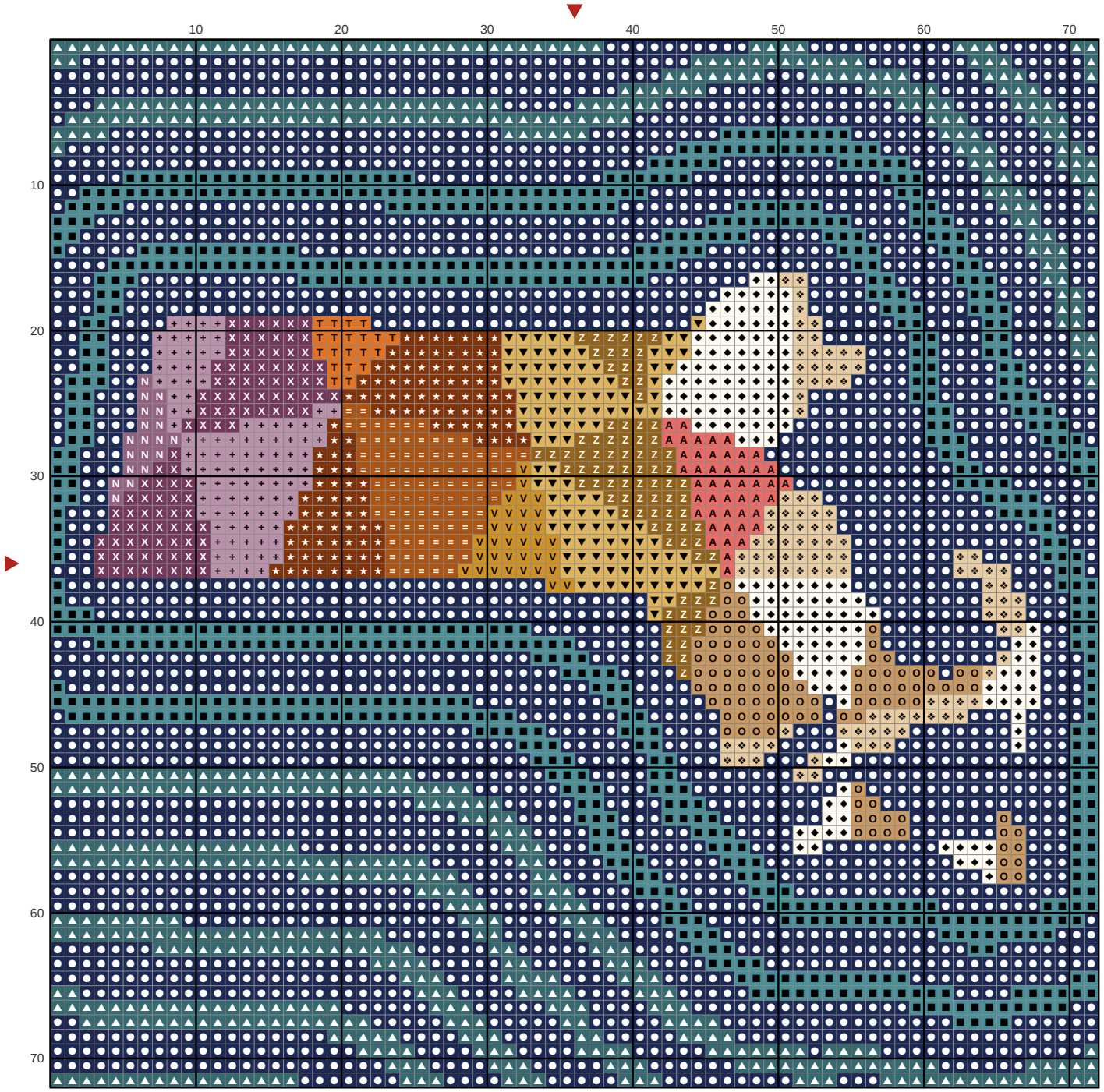

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