Golden retriever swimming home

Needlepoint pattern | 130 x 84 stitches | 7.2 x 4.7 in (18.3 x 11.9 cm) on 18 mesh | 14 colors



Thread key, DMC

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	**3808**	Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	2,537	18	2
■	**3810**	Dark Turquoise	1,447	10	2
▲	**598**	Light Turquoise	1,392	10	2
◆	**747**	Very Light Sky Blue	1,013	7	1
▼	**977**	Light Golden Brown	825	6	1
★	**976**	Medium Golden Brown	617	5	1
❖	**3827**	Pale Golden Brown	432	3	1
X	**434**	Light Brown	389	3	1
O	**801**	Dark Coffee Brown	282	2	1
+	**739**	Ultra Very Light Tan	124	1	1
=	**3371**	Black Brown	70	1	1
Z	**907**	Light Parrot Green	49	1	1
A	**3819**	Light Moss Green	37	1	1
V	**905**	Dark Parrot Green	22	1	1

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

Cut the canvas at least 11.2 x 8.7 in (28.5 x 22 cm) for 18 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

9,236 stitches in all, inside the outline: the chart is 130 x 84 at its widest and tallest. Start from the center: a red arrow above the chart marks the center column, and one to the left of it the center row. The arrows are on the pages those lines cross.

The chart is divided evenly over 2 pages. Where chart pages join, gray squares repeat two columns. The small picture at the top of each chart page shows which part it is.

Thread: six-strand floss, 4 to 6 strands in the needle on 18 mesh (counted at 6), about 17 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 5, 1 strand, about 14 skeins of 27.3 yd; or Persian wool, 1 strand, about 14 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 69 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.

When it is stitched: also have a finisher, or the fabric and cord to make it up yourself. Ask before you stitch the edge: some finishes take extra rows. "Ways to finish needlepoint" is a guide linked from this pattern's page.

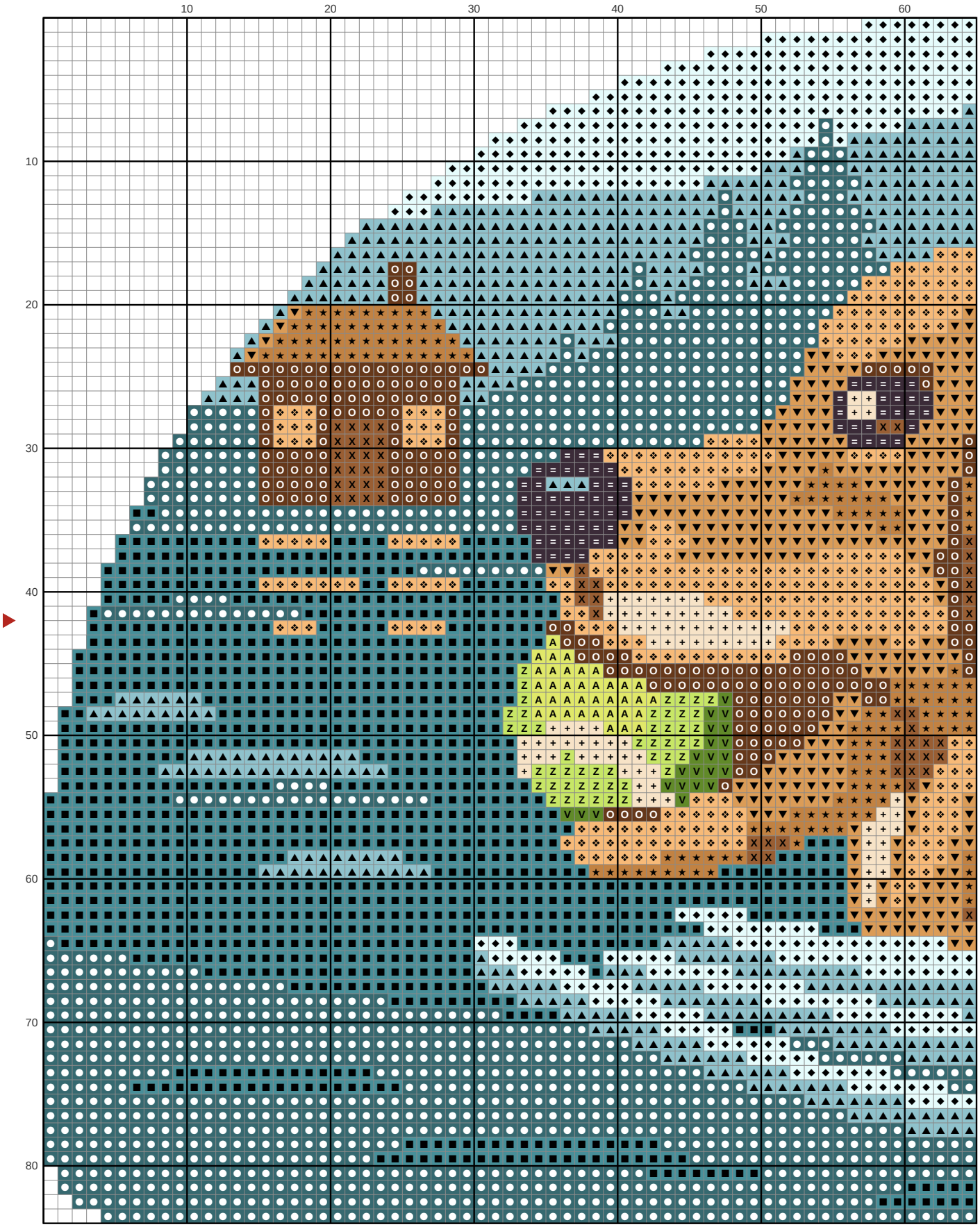
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Chart 1 of 2: columns 1 to 65, rows 1 to 84

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Chart 2 of 2: columns 66 to 130, rows 1 to 84; gray squares repeat columns 64 and 65

