Black cat at a snowy window stocking

Needlepoint pattern | 143 x 234 stitches | 11 x 18 in (27.9 x 45.7 cm) on 13 mesh | 24 colors



Thread key, DMC

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	676	Light Old Gold	3,539	34	6
□	433	Medium Brown	3,111	30	5
▲	712	Cream	2,800	27	5
◆	823	Dark Navy Blue	1,382	14	3
▼	310	Black	1,352	13	2
★	333	Very Dark Blue Violet	1,347	13	2
❖	801	Dark Coffee Brown	1,333	13	2
X	BLANC	White	959	10	2
O	435	Very Light Brown	959	10	2
+	321	Red	931	9	2
=	3746	Dark Blue Violet	829	8	2
Z	815	Medium Garnet	625	6	1
A	890	Ultra Dark Pistachio Green	585	6	1
V	677	Very Light Old Gold	532	6	1
T	3828	Hazelnut Brown	506	5	1
N	367	Dark Pistachio Green	451	5	1
S	3747	Very Light Blue Violet	325	4	1
K	437	Light Tan	276	3	1
E	340	Medium Blue Violet	258	3	1
C	989	Forest Green	252	3	1
P	3823	Ultra Pale Yellow	189	2	1
U	351	Coral	184	2	1
L	3820	Dark Straw	148	2	1
2	783	Medium Topaz	47	1	1

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

Cut the canvas at least 15 x 22 in (38.1 x 55.9 cm) for 13 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

22,920 stitches in all, inside the outline: the chart is 143 x 234 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 on 4 pages, each cut to what is stitched: bare canvas has no page, and a join falls on plain ground where it can. Pages 2 and 3 are turned on their side, for a part that is wider than it is tall. Where chart pages join, gray squares repeat two rows or columns. The small picture at the top of each chart page shows which part it is.

Thread: six-strand floss, 7 or 8 strands in the needle on 13 mesh (counted at 8), about 46 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 3, 1 strand, about 28 skeins of 16.4 yd; or tapestry wool, 1 strand, about 40 skeins of 8.7 yd; or Persian wool, 2 strands, about 34 skeins of 8 yd. Wool is numbered differently: match it by eye. Needle: tapestry, size 20.

Yards and skeins are estimates: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 13 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color (about 229 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 a stocking: also have backing and lining fabric, cord or piping, and a loop. Finishers ask for stockings months before Christmas, and most want two extra rows all round. Ask yours before the edge, and stitch a name first. "How to finish a stocking" is a guide linked from this pattern's page.

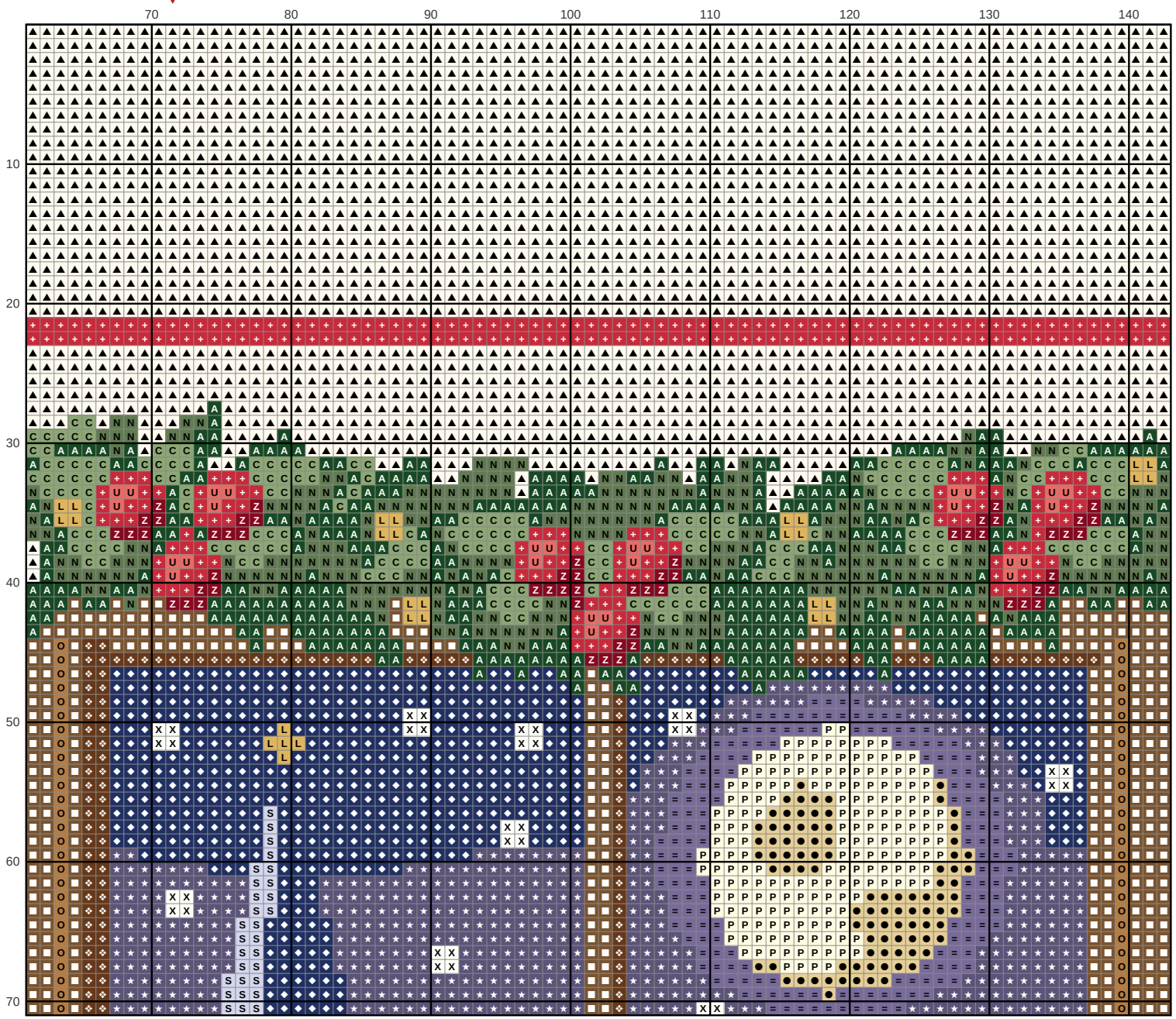
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Chart 1 of 4: columns 62 to 143, rows 1 to 71

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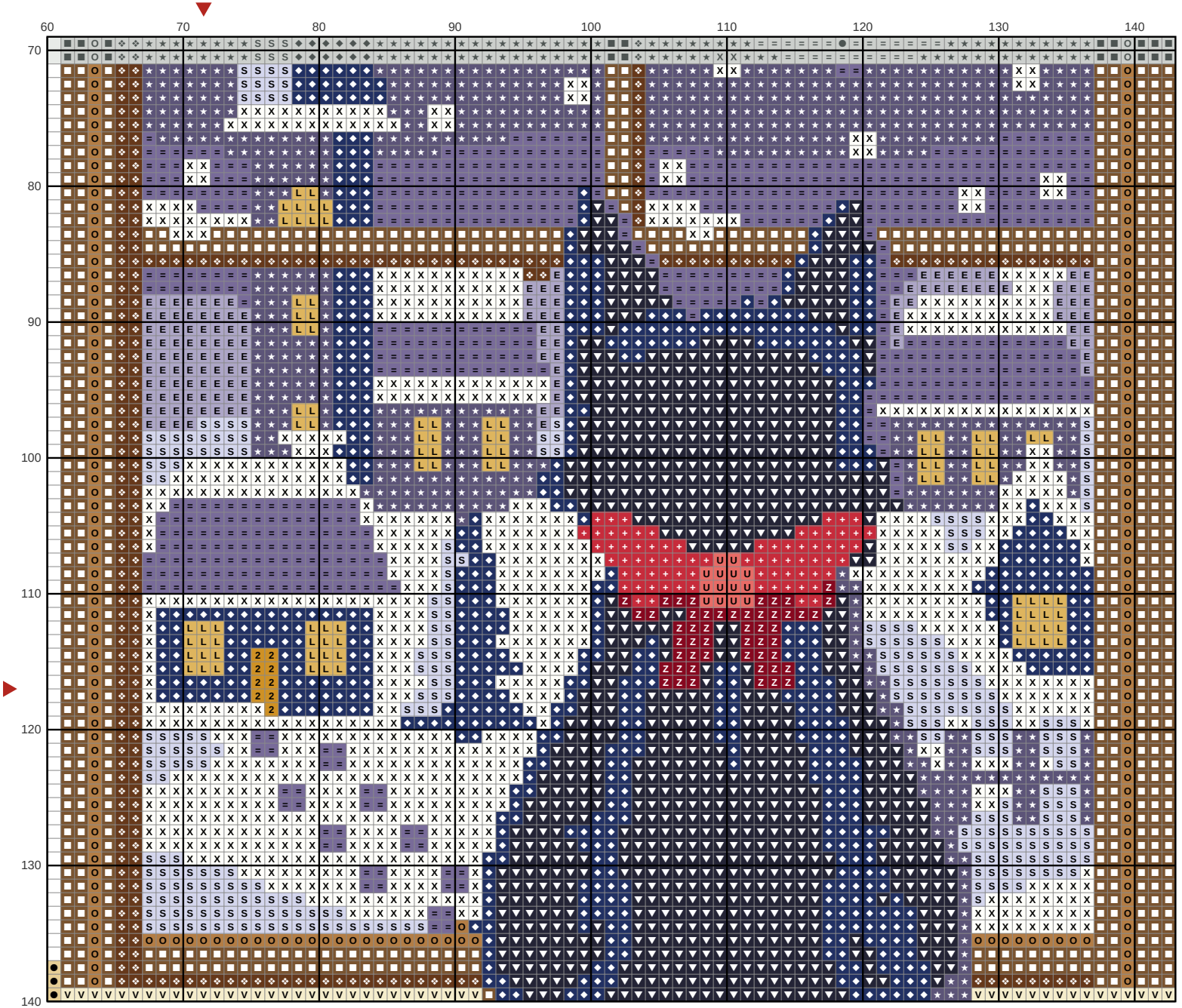


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Chart 2 of 4: columns 61 to 143, rows 72 to 140; gray squares repeat rows 70 and 71

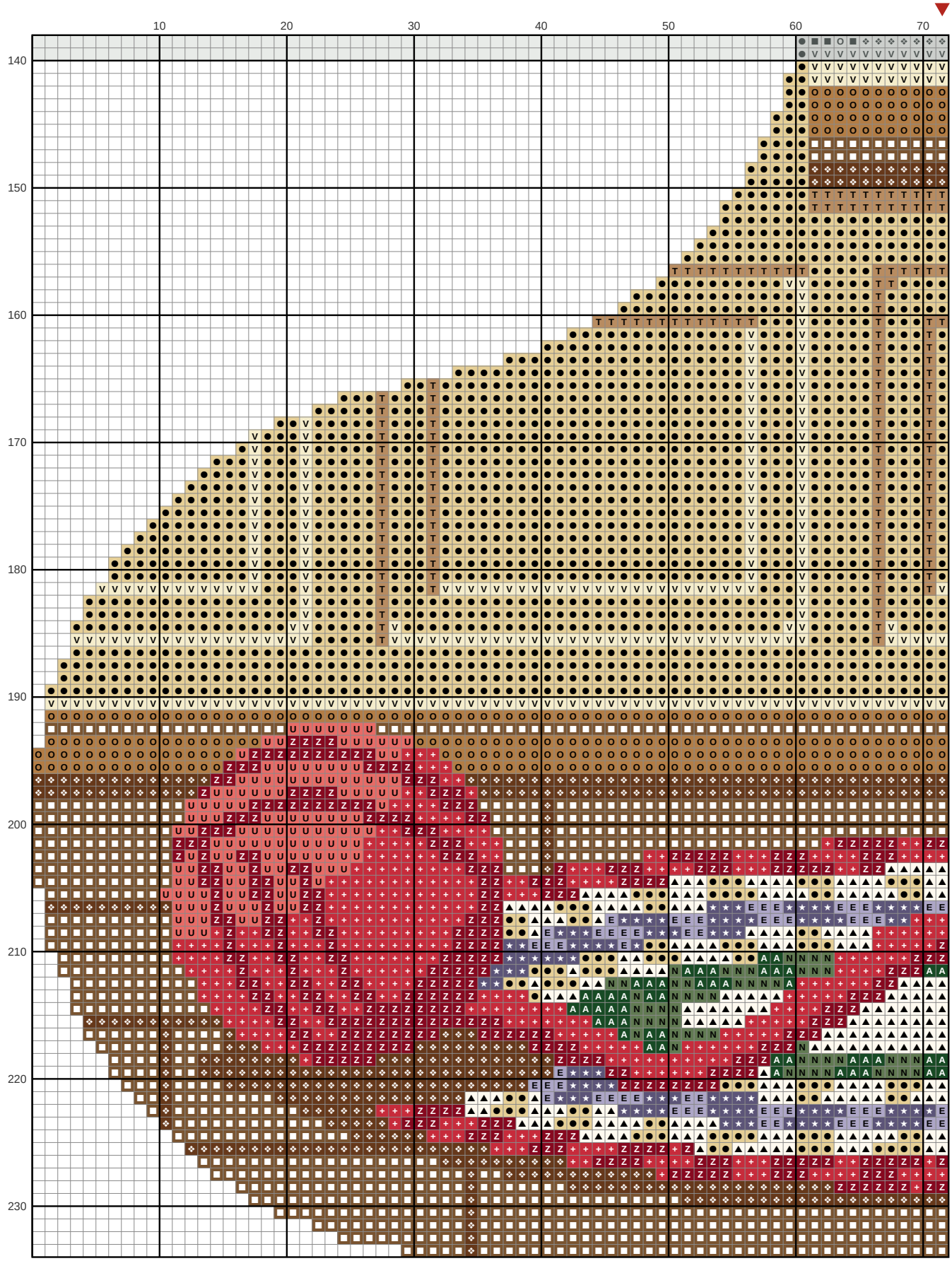


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Chart 3 of 4: columns 1 to 72, rows 141 to 234; gray squares repeat rows 139 and 140

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Chart 4 of 4: columns 73 to 143, rows 141 to 234; gray squares repeat columns 71 and 72 and rows 139 and 140

