Golden retriever Christmas stocking

Needlepoint pattern | 143 x 234 stitches | 11 x 18 in (27.9 x 45.7 cm) on 13 mesh | 23 colors



Thread key, DMC

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	**341**	Light Blue Violet	2,612	25	4
■	**321**	Red	2,527	24	4
▲	**3747**	Very Light Blue Violet	2,113	21	4
◆	**823**	Dark Navy Blue	1,728	17	3
▼	**32**	Dark Blueberry	1,355	13	2
★	**31**	Blueberry	1,324	13	2
❖	**3826**	Golden Brown	1,324	13	2
X	**977**	Light Golden Brown	1,319	13	2
O	**3855**	Light Autumn Gold	1,142	11	2
+	**BLANC**	White	1,074	11	2
=	**975**	Dark Golden Brown	942	9	2
Z	**30**	Medium Light Blueberry	848	9	2
A	**3856**	Ultra Very Light Mahogany	706	7	2
V	**745**	Light Pale Yellow	690	7	2
T	**3371**	Black Brown	638	7	1
N	**801**	Dark Coffee Brown	553	6	1
S	**739**	Ultra Very Light Tan	487	5	1
K	**340**	Medium Blue Violet	375	4	1
E	**500**	Very Dark Blue Green	353	4	1
C	**503**	Medium Blue Green	288	3	1
P	**501**	Dark Blue Green	193	2	1
U	**815**	Medium Garnet	175	2	1
L	**712**	Cream	154	2	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 44 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 3, 1 strand, about 26 skeins of 16.4 yd; or tapestry wool, 1 strand, about 37 skeins of 8.7 yd; or Persian wool, 2 strands, about 32 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 228 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

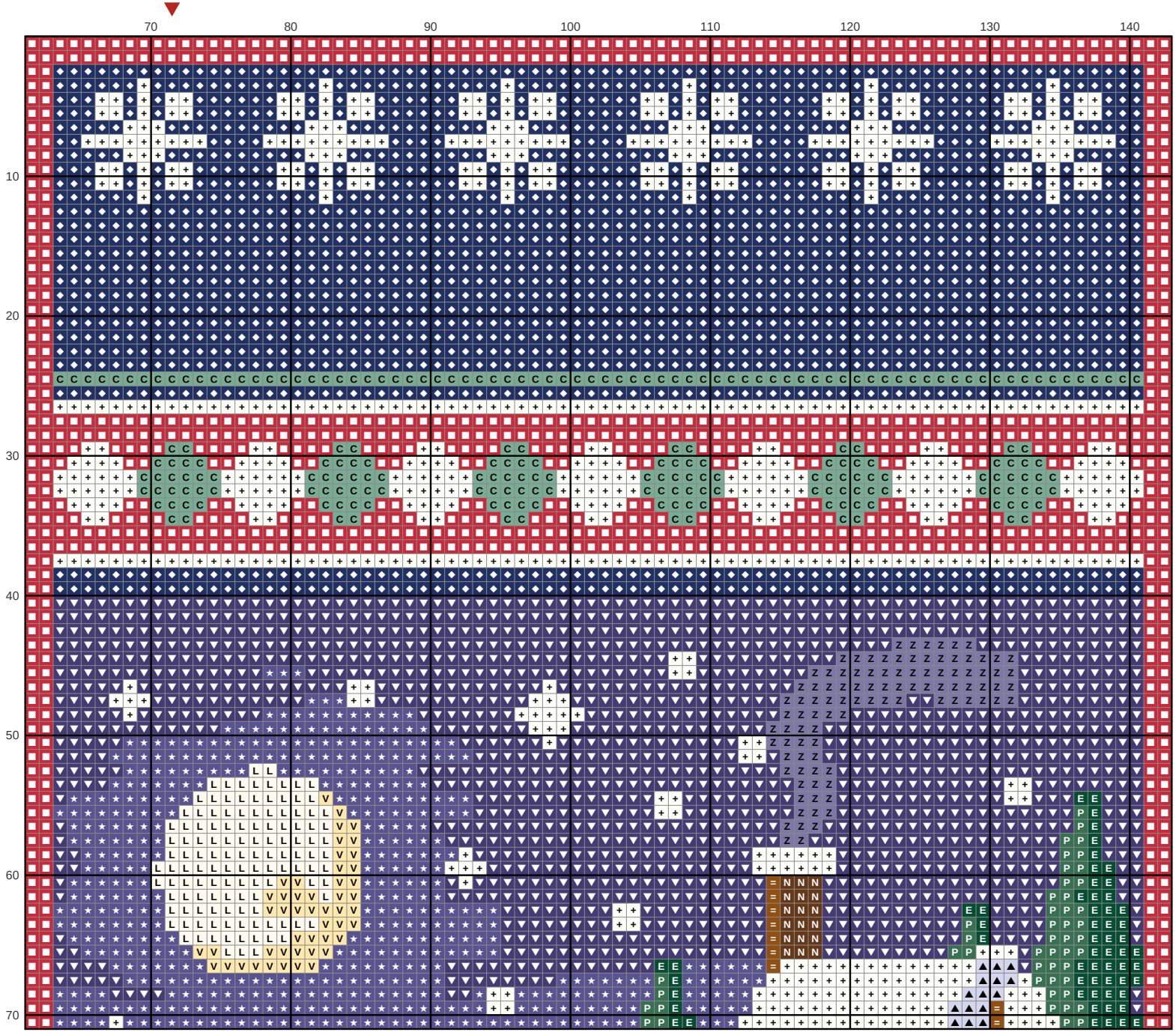

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Chart 2 of 4: columns 61 to 143, rows 72 to 140; gray squares repeat rows 70 and 71

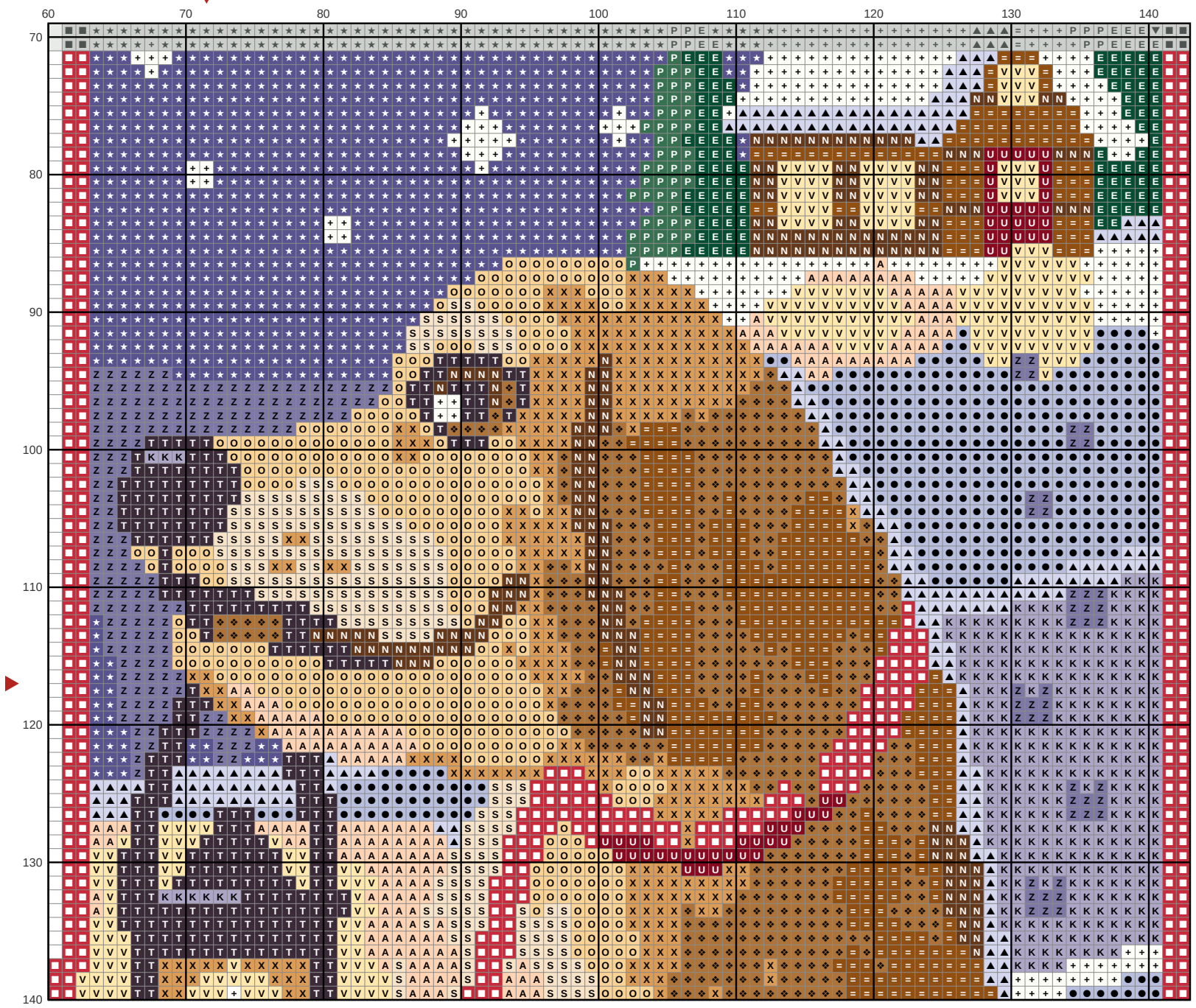

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Chart 3 of 4: columns 1 to 72, rows 141 to 234; gray squares repeat rows 139 and 140

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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

