Houston skyline ornament

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



Thread key, DMC

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	**3852**	Very Dark Straw	821	6	1
■	**311**	Medium Navy Blue	583	4	1
▲	**777**	Very Dark Raspberry	315	3	1
◆	**3765**	Very Dark Peacock Blue	309	3	1
▼	**316**	Medium Antique Mauve	269	2	1
★	**3834**	Dark Grape	263	2	1
❖	**3835**	Medium Grape	249	2	1
X	**934**	Black Avocado Green	221	2	1
O	**3712**	Medium Salmon	216	2	1
+	**597**	Turquoise	174	2	1
=	**469**	Avocado Green	157	2	1
Z	**743**	Medium Yellow	151	2	1
A	**3722**	Medium Shell Pink	120	1	1
V	**3827**	Pale Golden Brown	83	1	1
T	**3607**	Light Plum	83	1	1
N	**739**	Ultra Very Light Tan	46	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.

4,060 stitches in all, inside the outline: the chart is 72 x 72 at its widest and tallest.
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 16 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 36 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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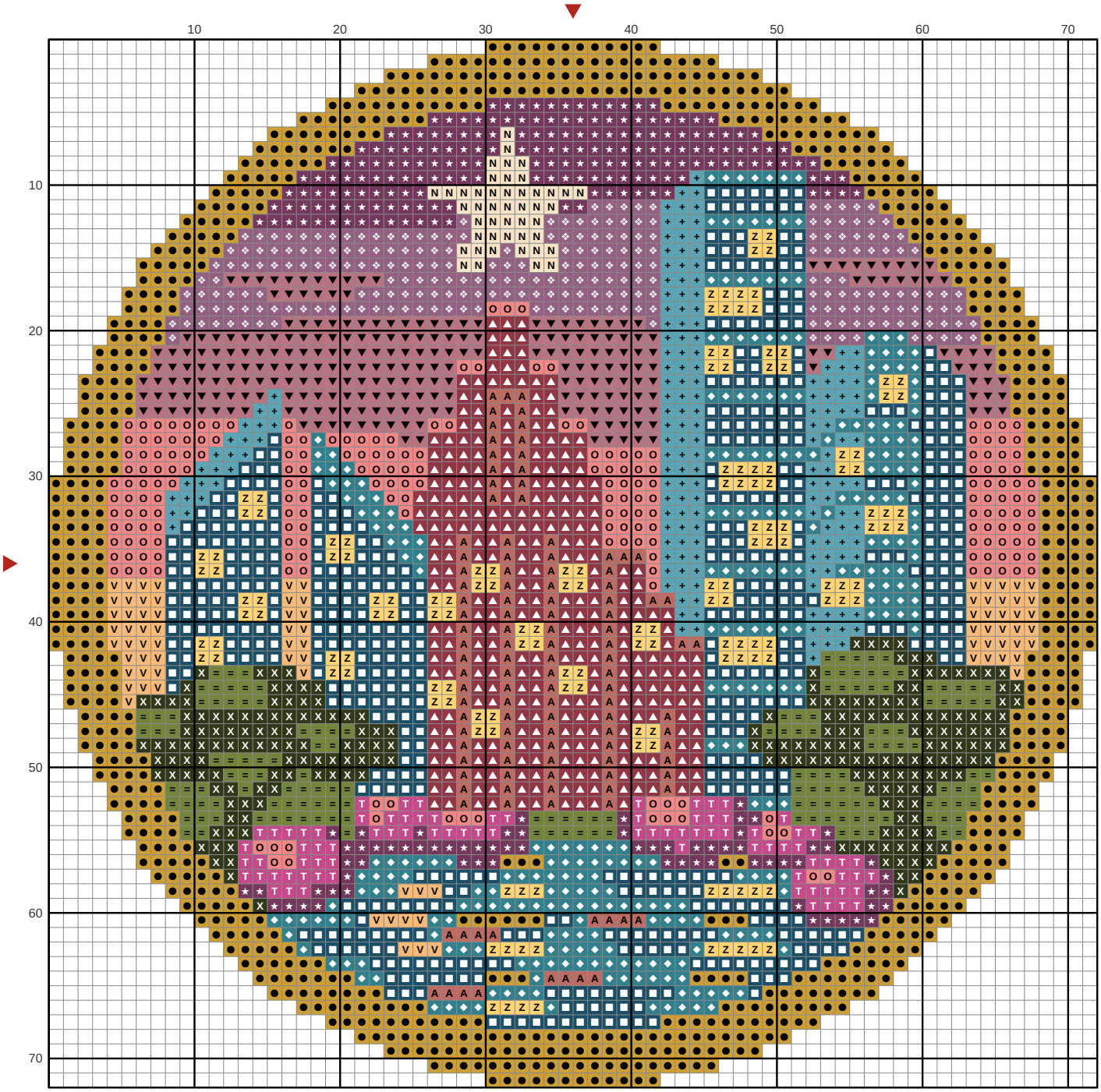

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