Mermaid watching a ship at dusk

Needlepoint pattern | 90 x 126 stitches | 5 x 7 in (12.7 x 17.8 cm) on 18 mesh | 20 colors



Thread key, DMC

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	**3746**	Dark Blue Violet	1,659	12	2
■	**155**	Medium Dark Blue Violet	1,462	11	2
▲	**333**	Very Dark Blue Violet	1,436	10	2
◆	**316**	Medium Antique Mauve	1,060	8	1
▼	**152**	Medium Light Shell Pink	879	7	1
★	**3341**	Apricot	822	6	1
❖	**3371**	Black Brown	685	5	1
X	**3809**	Very Dark Turquoise	481	4	1
O	**3855**	Light Autumn Gold	475	4	1
+	**3750**	Very Dark Antique Blue	436	3	1
=	**3740**	Dark Antique Violet	359	3	1
Z	**597**	Turquoise	259	2	1
A	**739**	Ultra Very Light Tan	233	2	1
V	**3811**	Very Light Turquoise	227	2	1
T	**778**	Very Light Antique Mauve	214	2	1
N	**3778**	Light Terra Cotta	213	2	1
S	**783**	Medium Topaz	149	2	1
K	**741**	Medium Tangerine	103	1	1
E	**353**	Peach	96	1	1
C	**780**	Ultra Very Dark Topaz	92	1	1

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

Cut the canvas at least 9 x 11 in (22.9 x 27.9 cm) for 18 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

11,340 stitches in all. 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 2 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. 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 23 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 5, 1 strand, about 20 skeins of 27.3 yd; or Persian wool, 1 strand, about 20 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 88 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.

Frame it: also have acid-free board and a frame. "How to frame needlepoint" is a guide linked from this pattern's page.

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Chart 1 of 2: columns 1 to 90, rows 1 to 64

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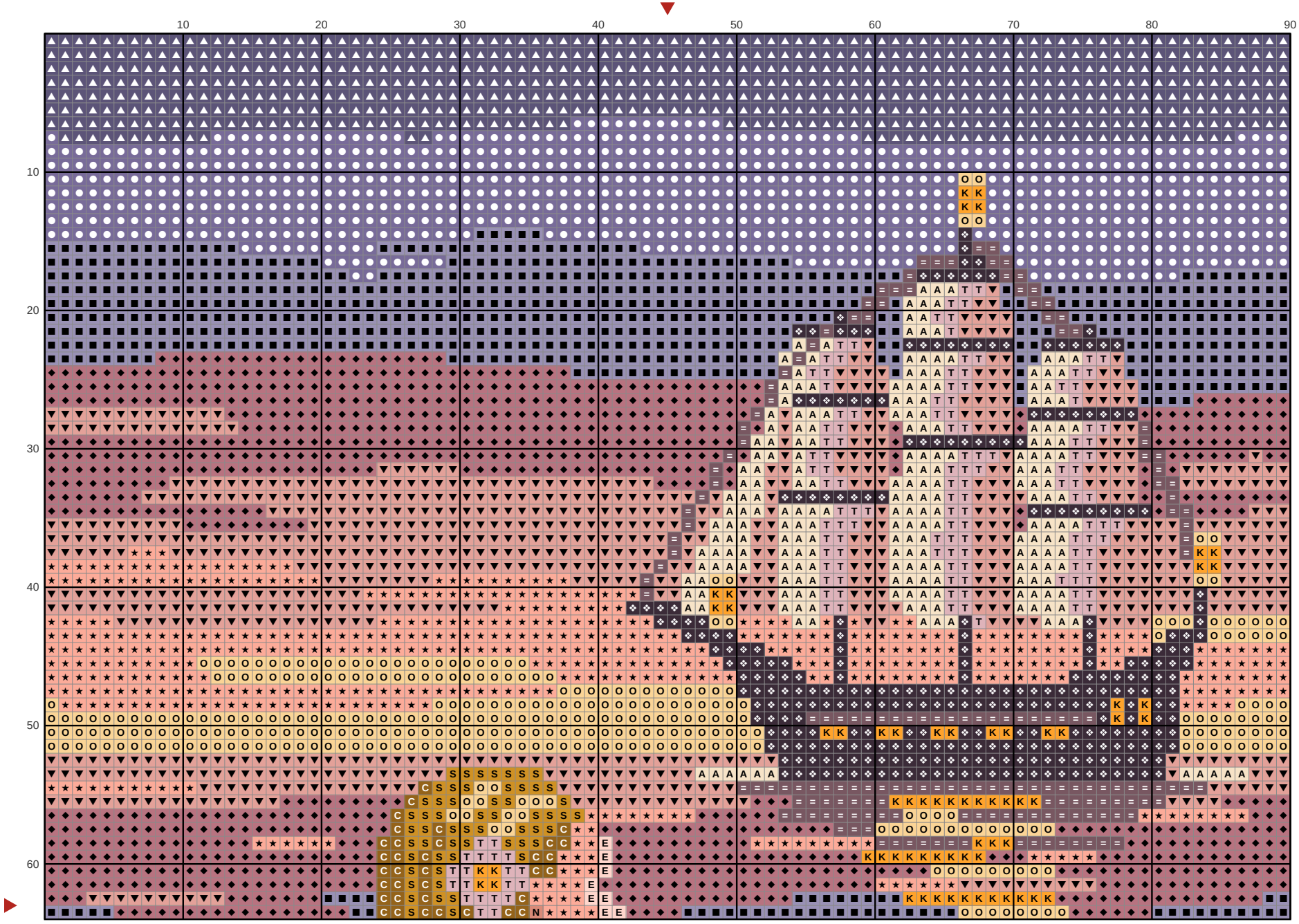

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Chart 2 of 2: columns 1 to 90, rows 65 to 126; gray squares repeat rows 63 and 64

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