Red Christmas truck with tree at night

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
●	803	Ultra Very Dark Baby Blue	1,667	12	2
■	336	Navy Blue	1,627	12	2
▲	939	Very Dark Navy Blue	1,176	9	1
◆	3765	Very Dark Peacock Blue	871	6	1
▼	319	Very Dark Pistachio Green	848	6	1
★	3747	Very Light Blue Violet	675	5	1
❖	500	Very Dark Blue Green	646	5	1
X	3347	Medium Yellow Green	491	4	1
O	304	Medium Red	486	4	1
+	3807	Cornflower Blue	454	4	1
=	3810	Dark Turquoise	422	3	1
Z	815	Medium Garnet	351	3	1
A	745	Light Pale Yellow	343	3	1
V	3865	Winter White	294	3	1
T	156	Medium Light Blue Violet	241	2	1
N	963	Ultra Very Light Dusty Rose	209	2	1
S	472	Ultra Light Avocado Green	163	2	1
K	350	Medium Coral	158	2	1
E	742	Light Tangerine	137	1	1
C	3705	Dark Melon	81	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 22 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 89 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.

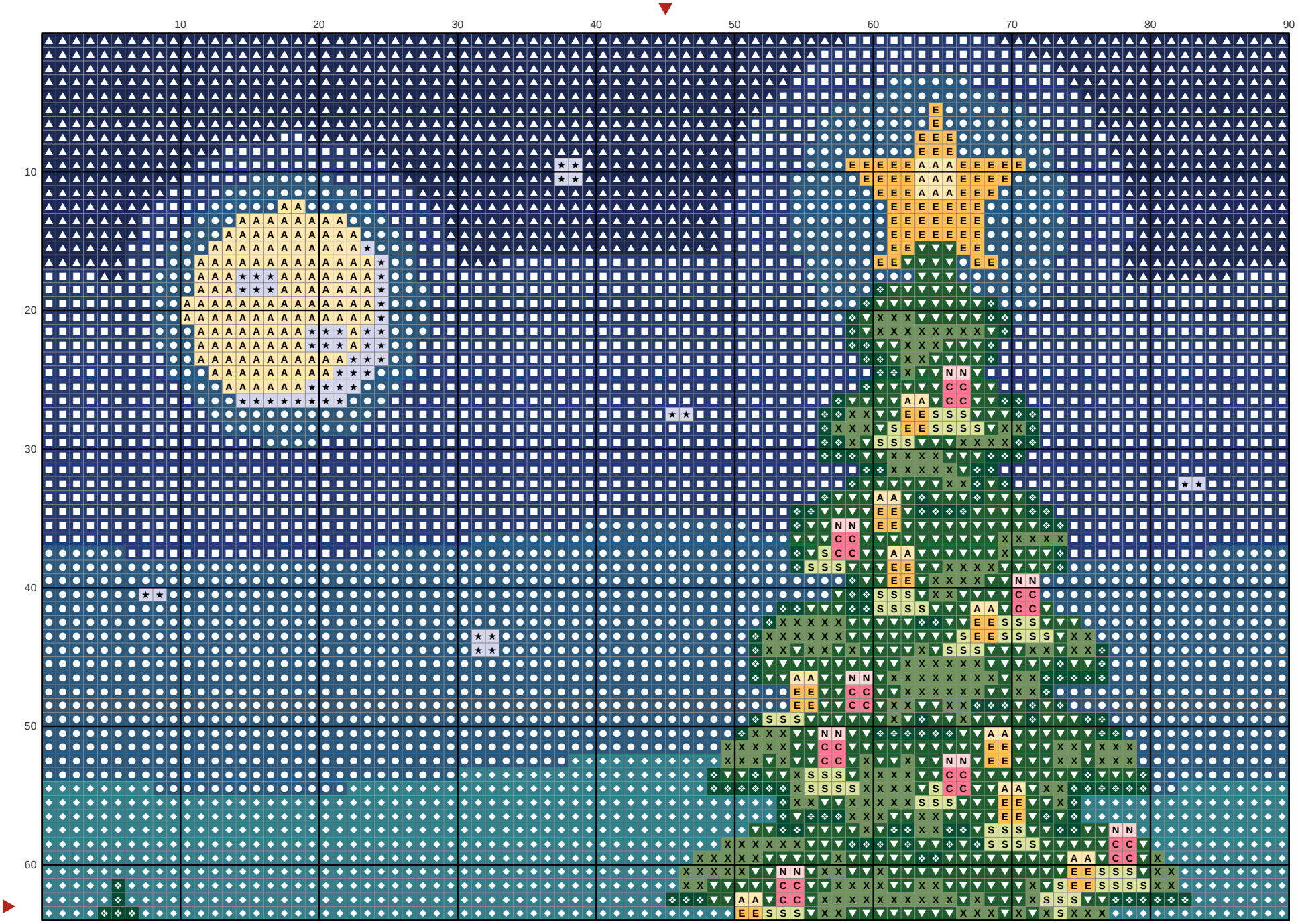
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Chart 1 of 2: columns 1 to 90, rows 1 to 64

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

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