Saint Gertrude, patron saint of cats

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
●	**436**	Tan	1,351	10	2
■	**739**	Ultra Very Light Tan	1,219	9	1
▲	**738**	Very Light Tan	1,152	8	1
◆	**3752**	Very Light Antique Blue	1,092	8	1
▼	**939**	Very Dark Navy Blue	1,020	7	1
★	**3865**	Winter White	819	6	1
❖	**336**	Navy Blue	731	6	1
X	**522**	Fern Green	582	4	1
O	**930**	Dark Antique Blue	477	4	1
+	**3853**	Dark Autumn Gold	445	4	1
=	**433**	Medium Brown	413	3	1
Z	**520**	Dark Fern Green	395	3	1
A	**318**	Light Steel Gray	296	3	1
V	**524**	Very Light Fern Green	280	2	1
T	**783**	Medium Topaz	252	2	1
N	**340**	Medium Blue Violet	197	2	1
S	**921**	Copper	195	2	1
K	**951**	Light Tawny	181	2	1
E	**3822**	Light Straw	176	2	1
C	**758**	Very Light Terra Cotta	67	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 21 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.

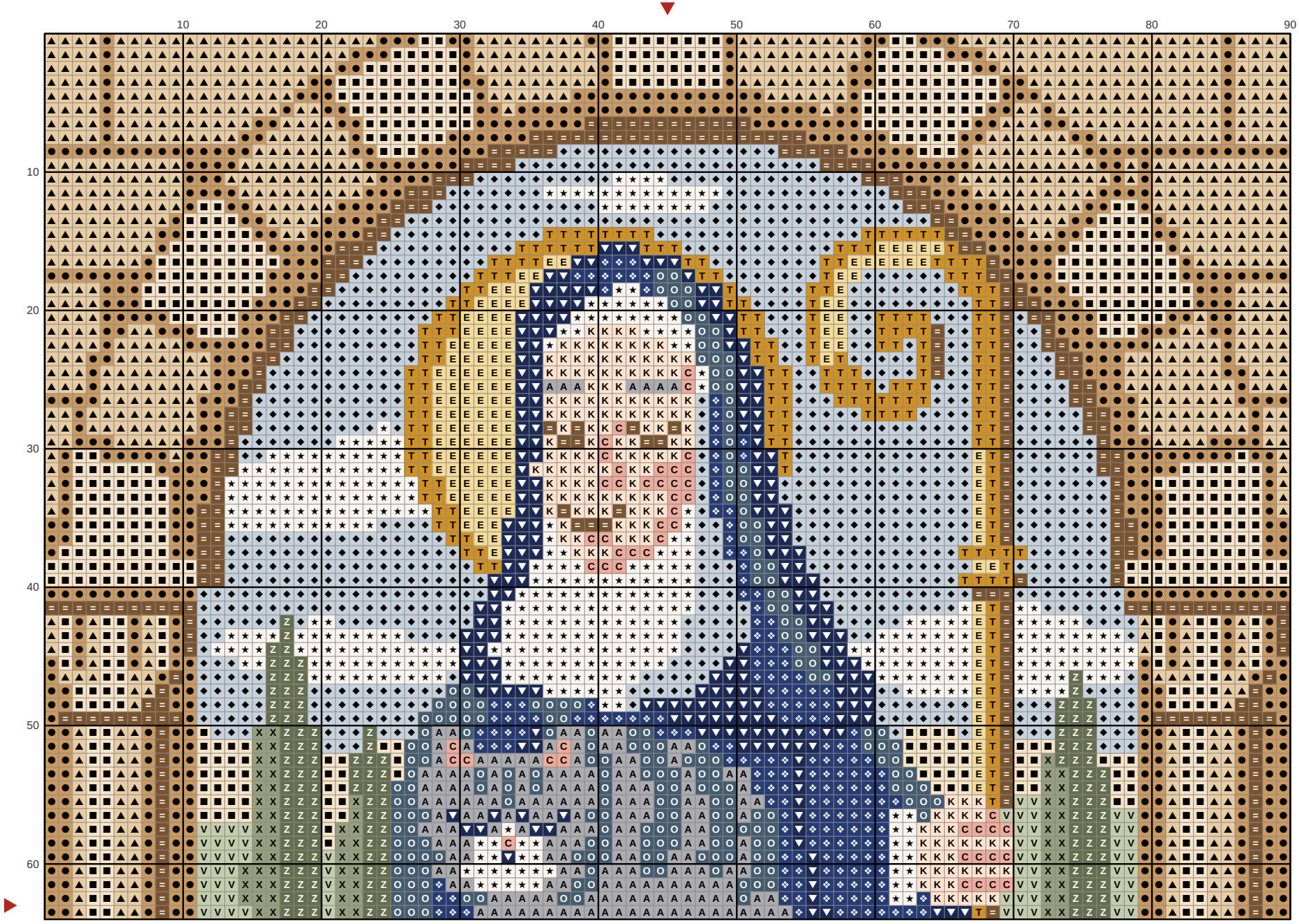
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Chart 1 of 2: columns 1 to 90, rows 1 to 64

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

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