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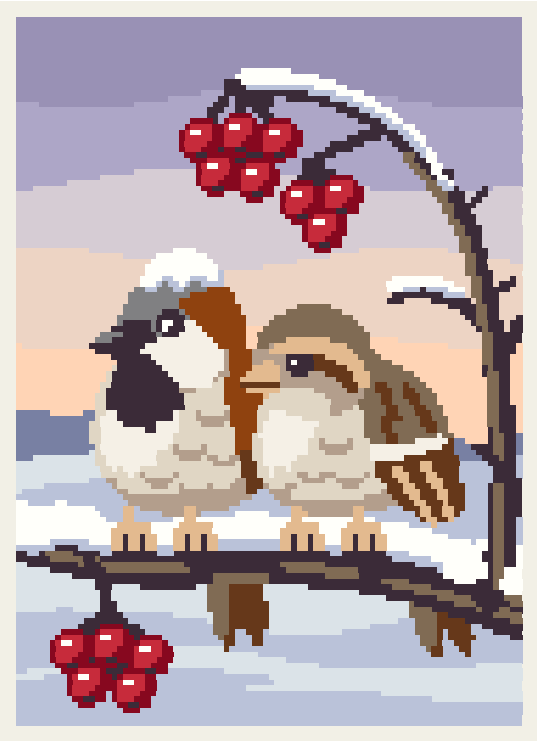
Needlepoint pattern | 90 x 126 stitches | 5 x 7 in (12.7 x 17.8 cm) on 18 mesh | 20 colors



Thread key, DMC

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	157	Very Light Cornflower Blue	1,371	10	2
■	155	Medium Dark Blue Violet	1,247	9	1
▲	3371	Black Brown	1,170	9	1
◆	3743	Very Light Antique Violet	928	7	1
▼	340	Medium Blue Violet	884	7	1
★	950	Light Desert Sand	860	6	1
❖	3753	Ultra Very Light Antique Blue	757	6	1
X	3790	Ultra Dark Beige Gray	578	4	1
O	BLANC	White	549	4	1
+	3033	Very Light Mocha Brown	471	4	1
=	3856	Ultra Very Light Mahogany	407	3	1
Z	815	Medium Garnet	319	3	1
A	3866	Ultra Very Light Mocha	316	3	1
V	801	Dark Coffee Brown	311	3	1
T	3032	Medium Mocha Brown	292	2	1
N	437	Light Tan	278	2	1
S	321	Red	247	2	1
K	400	Dark Mahogany	165	2	1
E	161	Gray Blue	121	1	1
C	414	Dark Steel Gray	69	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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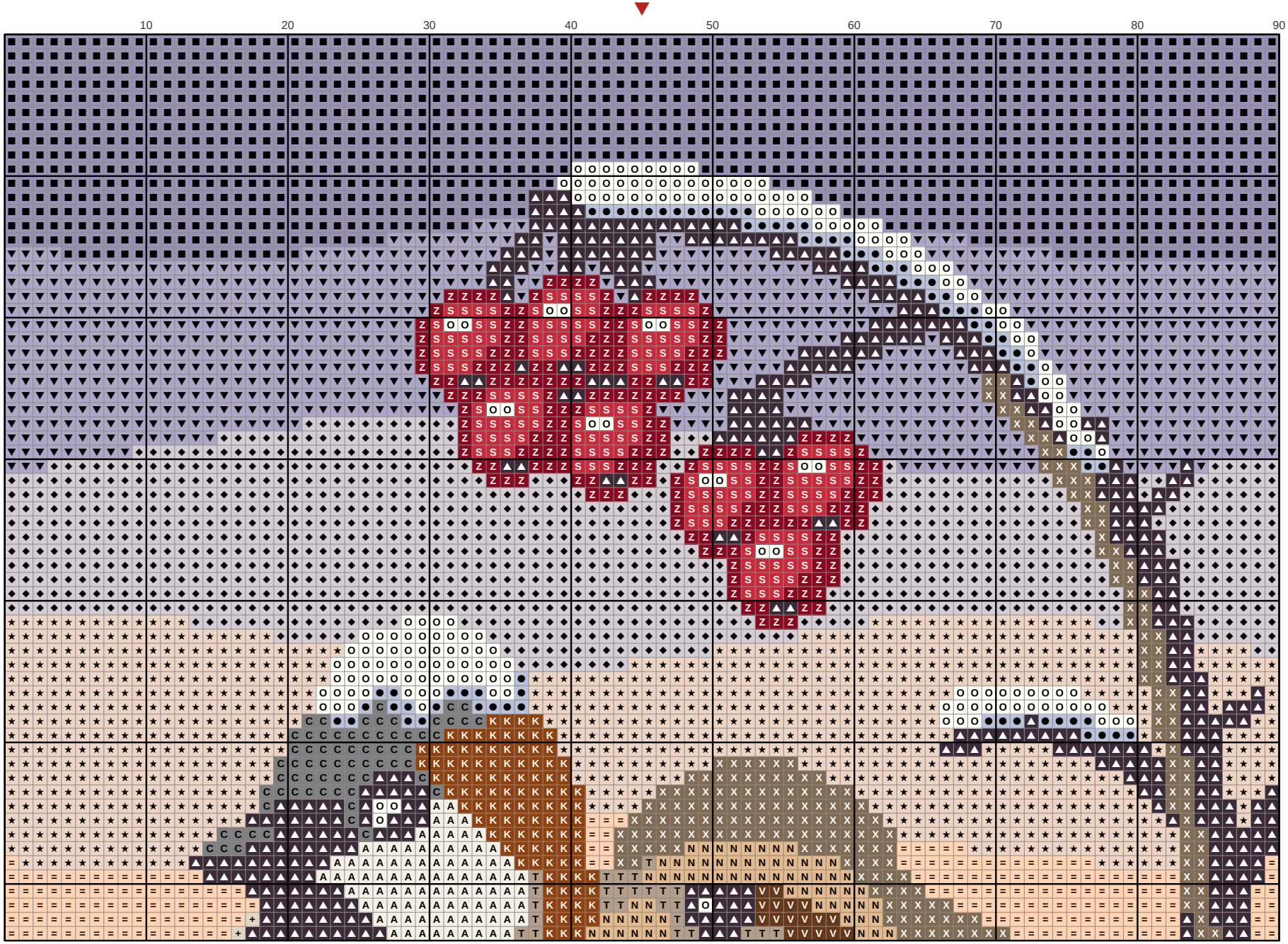

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Chart 2 of 2: columns 1 to 90, rows 65 to 126; gray squares repeat rows 63 and 64

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