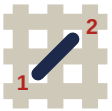
Preppy bird bath with bluebirds

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



How to stitch it



1. Each square is one tent stitch, up at 1, down at 2. Lines in continental, right to left, the canvas upside down for the next row; wide areas in basketweave.
2. Cut 18 in of thread. Start and end it without a knot left behind.
3. Mark the middle of the canvas. It is the outlined square on page 2, column 45, row 45 (DMC 995): start there. Count threads, not holes.
4. Go on from it: picture first, background last. Gray squares are on two pages: stitch them once.
5. Last, two more rows all round in DMC 3804: the opening's edge hides them.

First time? How to needlepoint: flossfield.com/needlepoint/guides/how-to-start/
How to read a chart: flossfield.com/needlepoint/guides/how-to-read-a-chart/

What you need

Canvas: blank mono canvas, 18 mesh (18 threads to the inch), cut 9.5 in square (24.1 cm).

Needle: blunt tapestry, size 22. Also masking tape for the cut edges, and small scissors.

Thread: six-strand floss, 18 colors, about 21 skeins in all (an estimate). Stitch with 4 strands (5 or 6 if canvas shows).

Fit it into a lid: the box or tray, acid-free board and backing. Measure the opening first.
How to fit it into a lid.

Thread list, DMC

			stitches	skeins
●	3804	Dark Cyclamen Pink	2,107	3
■	BLANC	White	1,453	2
▲	823	Dark Navy Blue	781	1
◆	828	Ultra Very Light Sky Blue	620	1
▼	995	Dark Electric Blue	618	1
★	699	Green	386	1
❖	797	Royal Blue	356	1
X	996	Medium Electric Blue	333	1
H	605	Very Light Cranberry	280	1
+	3752	Very Light Antique Blue	241	1
=	931	Medium Antique Blue	226	1
Z	3806	Light Cyclamen Pink	168	1
A	721	Medium Orange Spice	152	1
V	703	Chartreuse	136	1
T	701	Light Green	90	1
N	727	Very Light Topaz	80	1
S	3825	Pale Pumpkin	60	1
K	720	Dark Orange Spice	13	1

Skeins are estimates, with the two extra rows: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 18 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color.

Thread colors are approximate screen matches to DMC numbers. Check against real thread before you buy.

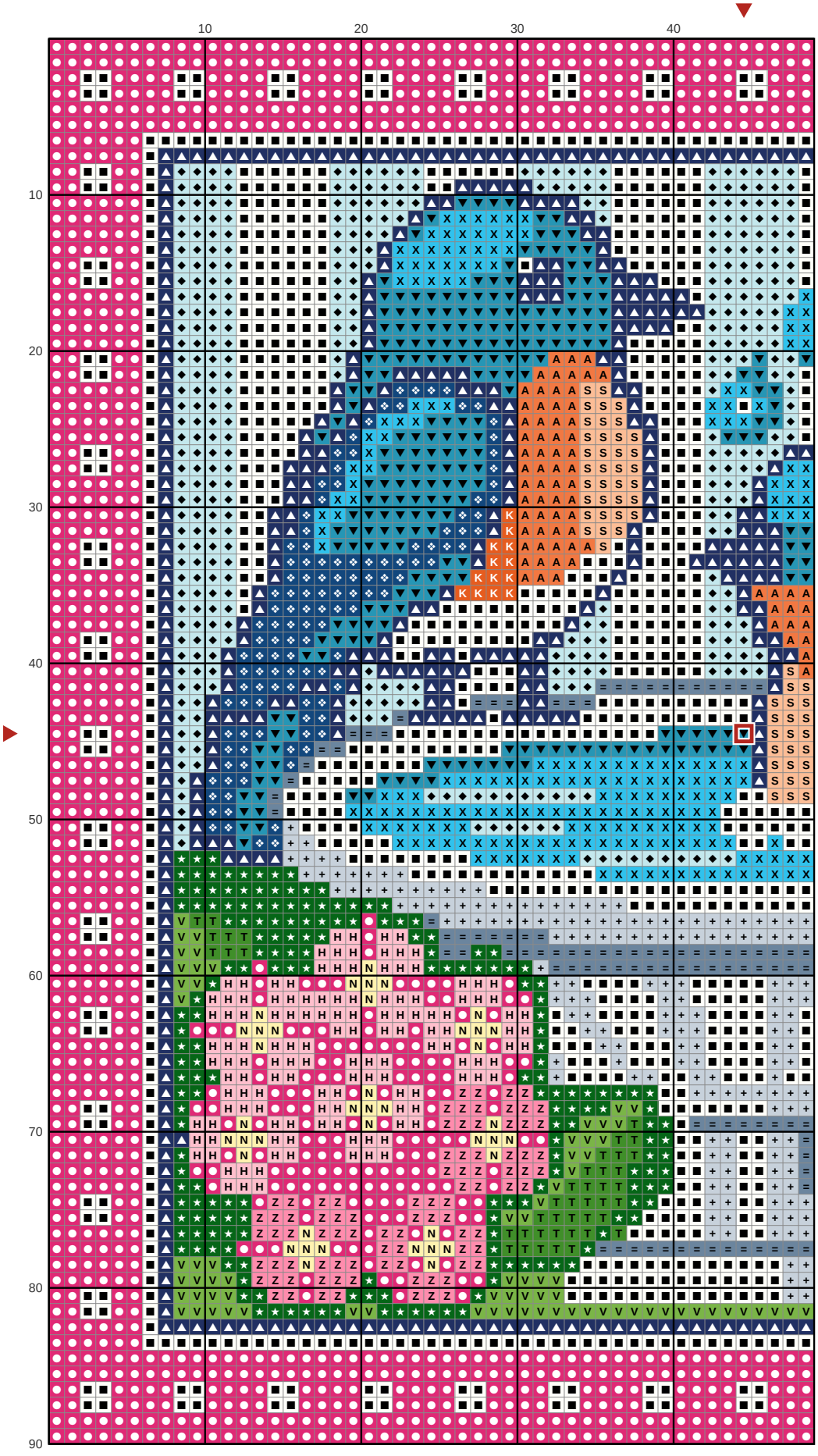
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Needlepoint pattern

Columns 1 to 49, rows 1 to 90. Start at the red outline

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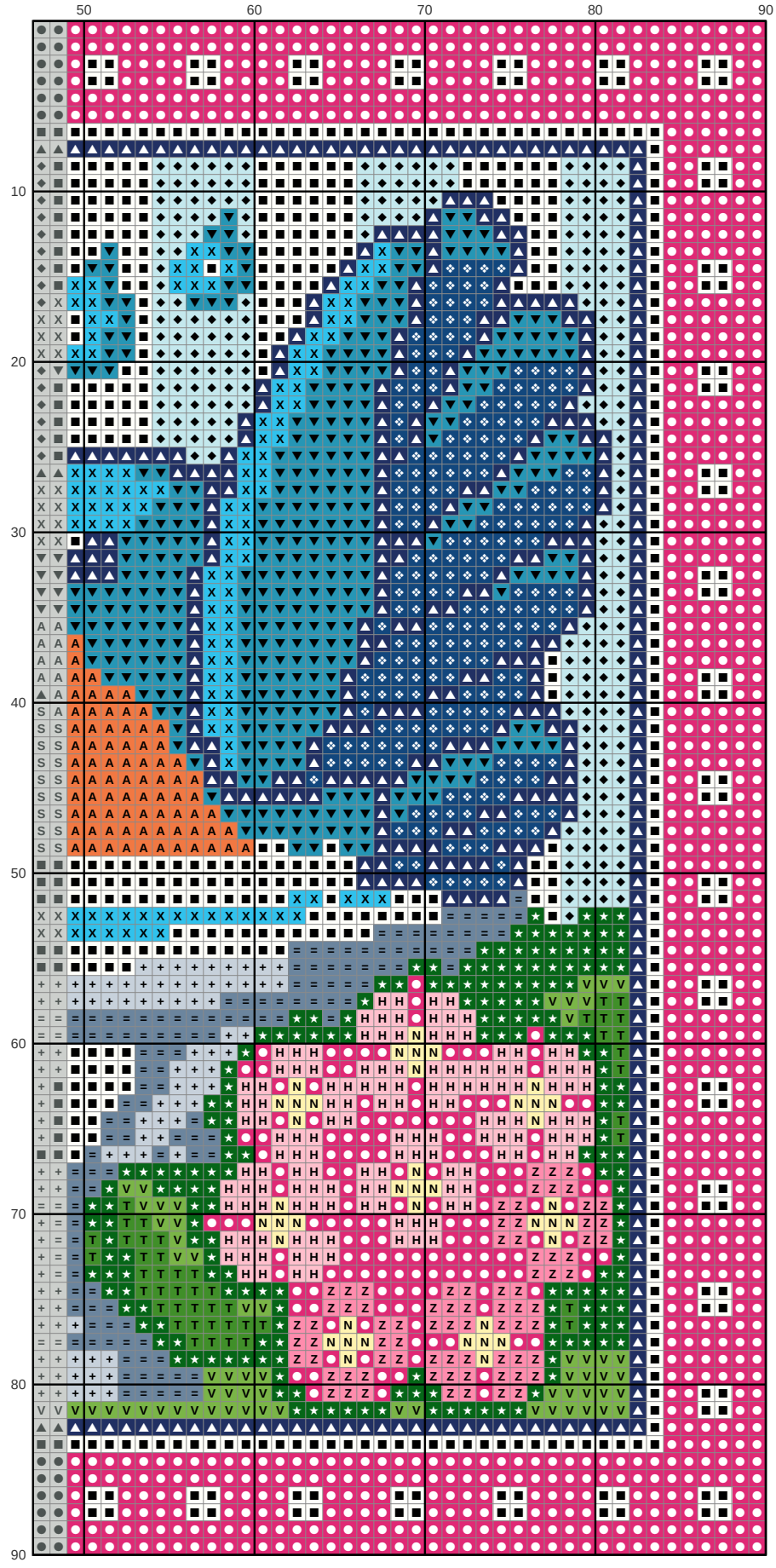
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- **DMC 3752** Very Light Antique Blue
- **DMC 931** Medium Antique Blue
- **DMC 3806** Light Cyclamen Pink
- **DMC 721** Medium Orange Spice
- **DMC 703** Chartreuse
- **DMC 701** Light Green
- **DMC 727** Very Light Topaz
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Needlepoint pattern

Columns 50 to 90, rows 1 to 90. Gray squares: charted already, do not stitch again

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