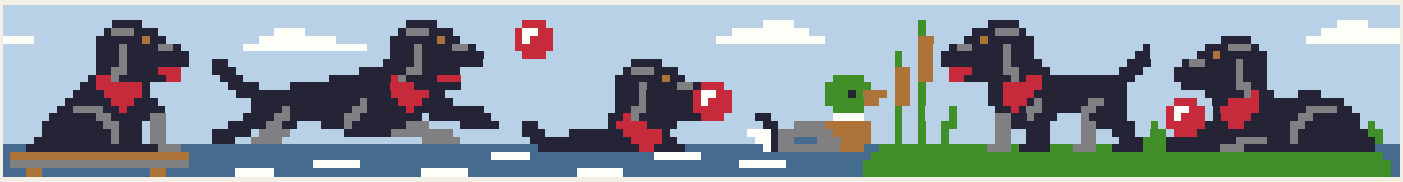
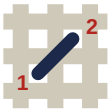
Black Lab belt with a red ball

Needlepoint pattern | 180 x 22 stitches | 10 x 1.2 in (25.4 x 3.1 cm) on 18 mesh | 8 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, column 90, row 11 (DMC 310), for a size 36 belt: start there. Count threads, not holes.
4. Go on from it: picture first, background last. One repeat is 10 in: carry on both ways to your length. Gray squares are charted twice: stitch them once.
5. Last, two more rows along each long edge, each stitch in the color it lies beside: they are folded under. Ask your finisher first.

For initials or a name at its middle, type them on the pattern's page: they are charted there.

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 36 x 5.5 in for a size 36 belt, which is stitched 30 to 32 in long.

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

Thread: six-strand floss, 8 colors, about 17 skeins for a size 36 belt (an estimate). Stitch with 4 strands (5 or 6 if canvas shows).

Make it a belt: a finisher who mounts it on leather, or a buckle and leather tabs. How to make a belt.

Thread list

			stitches	size 36 belt: skeins of floss
●	**DMC 3325**	Light Baby Blue	1,934	6
■	**DMC 310**	Black	858	3
▲	**DMC 798**	Dark Delft Blue	315	2
◆	**DMC 701**	Light Green	281	2
▼	**DMC 414**	Dark Steel Gray	204	1
★	**DMC BLANC**	White	147	1
❖	**DMC 321**	Red	144	1
X	**DMC 3826**	Golden Brown	77	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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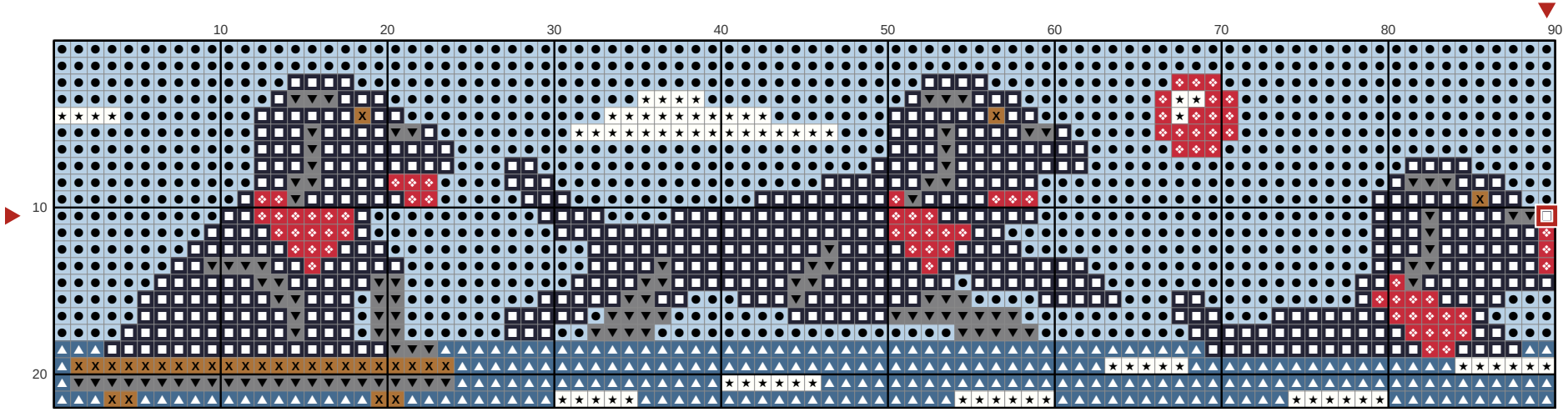
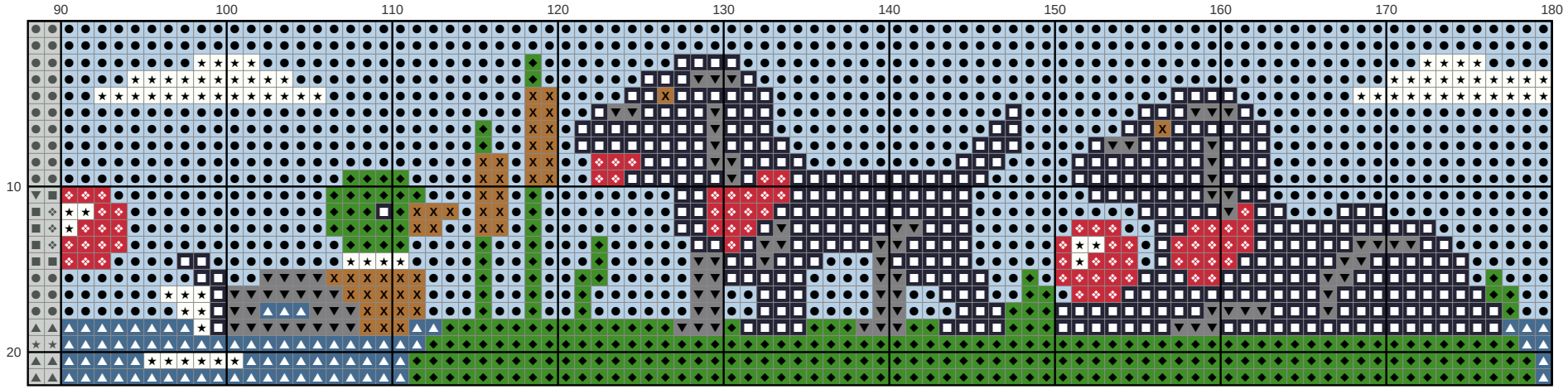
Columns 1 to 90, rows 1 to 22. Start at the red outline



Columns 91 to 180, rows 1 to 22. Gray squares: charted already, do not stitch again



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