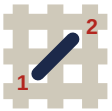
Preppy blue jay

Needlepoint pattern | 90 x 90 stitches | 5 x 5 in (12.7 x 12.7 cm) on 18 mesh | 17 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 322): 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, each stitch in the color it lies beside: 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, 17 colors, about 20 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
●	**893**	Light Carnation	2,410	2
■	**BLANC**	White	1,469	2
▲	**702**	Kelly Green	1,252	2
◆	**699**	Green	803	1
▼	**322**	Dark Baby Blue	360	1
★	**310**	Black	316	1
❖	**704**	Bright Chartreuse	239	1
X	**797**	Royal Blue	219	1
H	**3843**	Electric Blue	205	1
+	**823**	Dark Navy Blue	200	1
=	**433**	Medium Brown	197	1
Z	**3752**	Very Light Antique Blue	190	1
A	**435**	Very Light Brown	150	1
V	**827**	Very Light Blue	38	1
T	**783**	Medium Topaz	30	1
N	**3822**	Light Straw	12	1
S	**413**	Dark Pewter Gray	10	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.

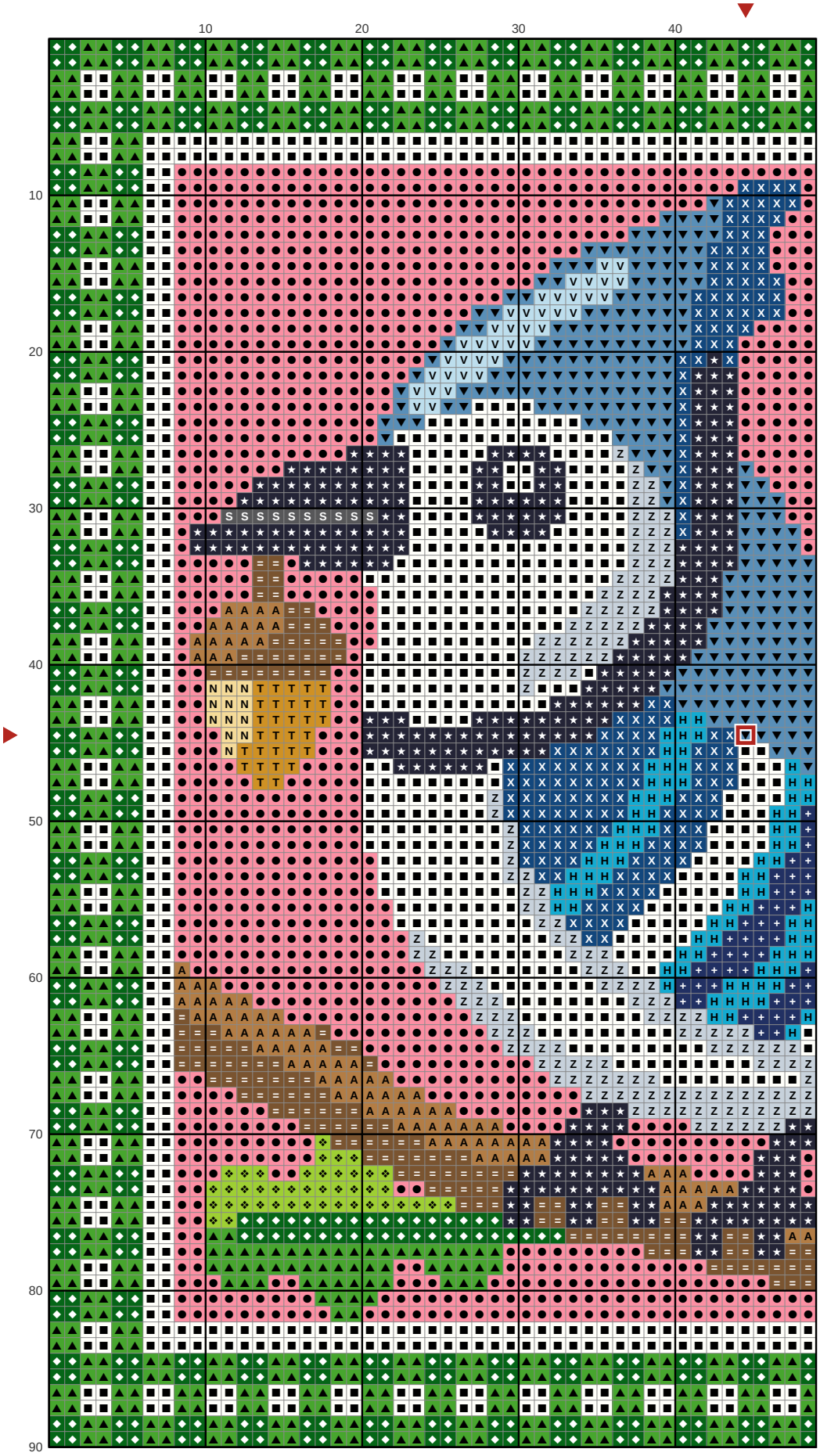
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Needlepoint pattern

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

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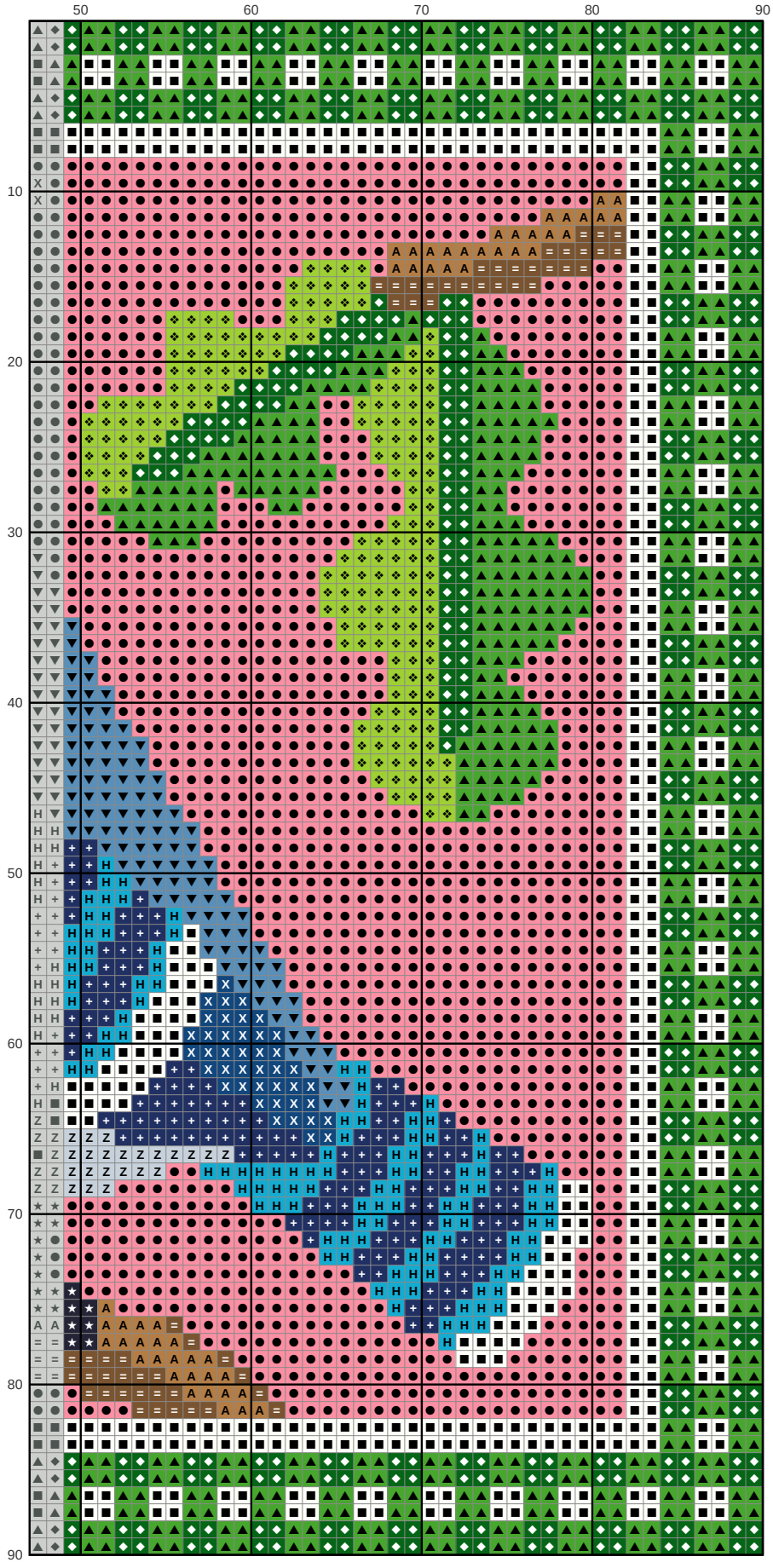
Key

- ● **DMC 893** Light Carnation
- ■ **DMC BLANC** White
- ▲ **DMC 702** Kelly Green
- ◆ **DMC 699** Green
- ▼ **DMC 322** Dark Baby Blue
- ★ **DMC 310** Black
- ❖ **DMC 704** Bright Chartreuse
- X **DMC 797** Royal Blue
- H **DMC 3843** Electric Blue
- \+ **DMC 823** Dark Navy Blue
- = **DMC 433** Medium Brown
- Z **DMC 3752** Very Light Antique Blue
- A **DMC 435** Very Light Brown
- V **DMC 827** Very Light Blue
- T **DMC 783** Medium Topaz
- N **DMC 3822** Light Straw
- S **DMC 413** Dark Pewter Gray

Preppy blue jay Needlepoint pattern

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

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