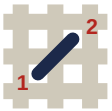
# Preppy cake with counted candles

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 3752): 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, 18 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 | | | | stitches | skeins |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ● | **823** | Dark Navy Blue | 1,975 | 2 | + | **335** | Rose | 249 | 1 |
| ■ | **797** | Royal Blue | 1,127 | 2 | = | **699** | Green | 206 | 1 |
| ▲ | **BLANC** | White | 1,044 | 1 | Z | **3733** | Dusty Rose | 194 | 1 |
| ◆ | **703** | Chartreuse | 671 | 1 | A | **741** | Medium Tangerine | 150 | 1 |
| ▼ | **701** | Light Green | 581 | 1 | V | **727** | Very Light Topaz | 136 | 1 |
| ★ | **726** | Light Topaz | 489 | 1 | T | **783** | Medium Topaz | 95 | 1 |
| ❖ | **963** | Ultra Very Light Dusty Rose | 470 | 1 | N | **815** | Medium Garnet | 80 | 1 |
| X | **3820** | Dark Straw | 285 | 1 | S | **3752** | Very Light Antique Blue | 73 | 1 |
| H | **309** | Ultra Very Dark Rose | 255 | 1 | K | **3799** | Very Dark Pewter Gray | 20 | 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.

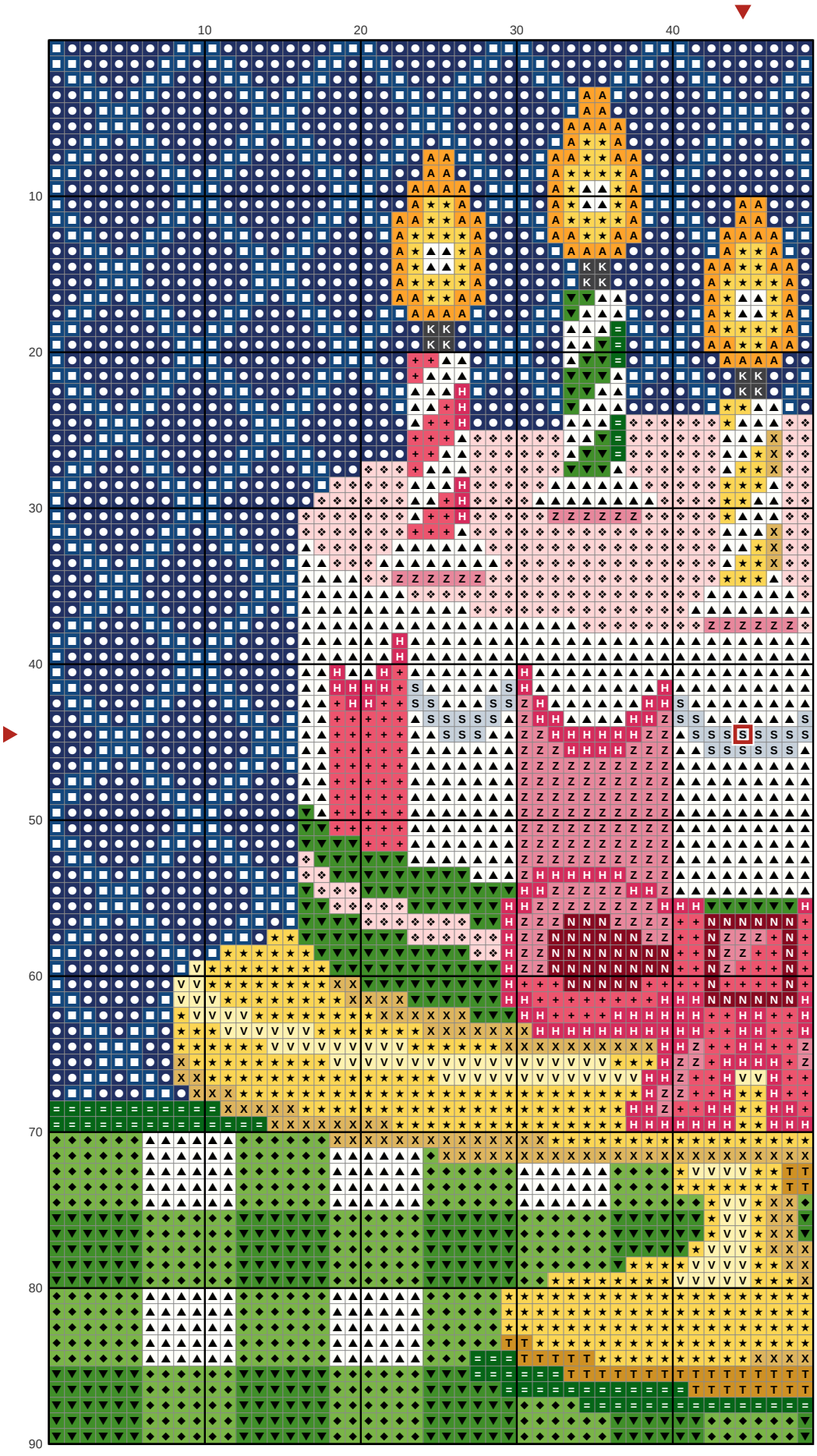
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Needlepoint pattern

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

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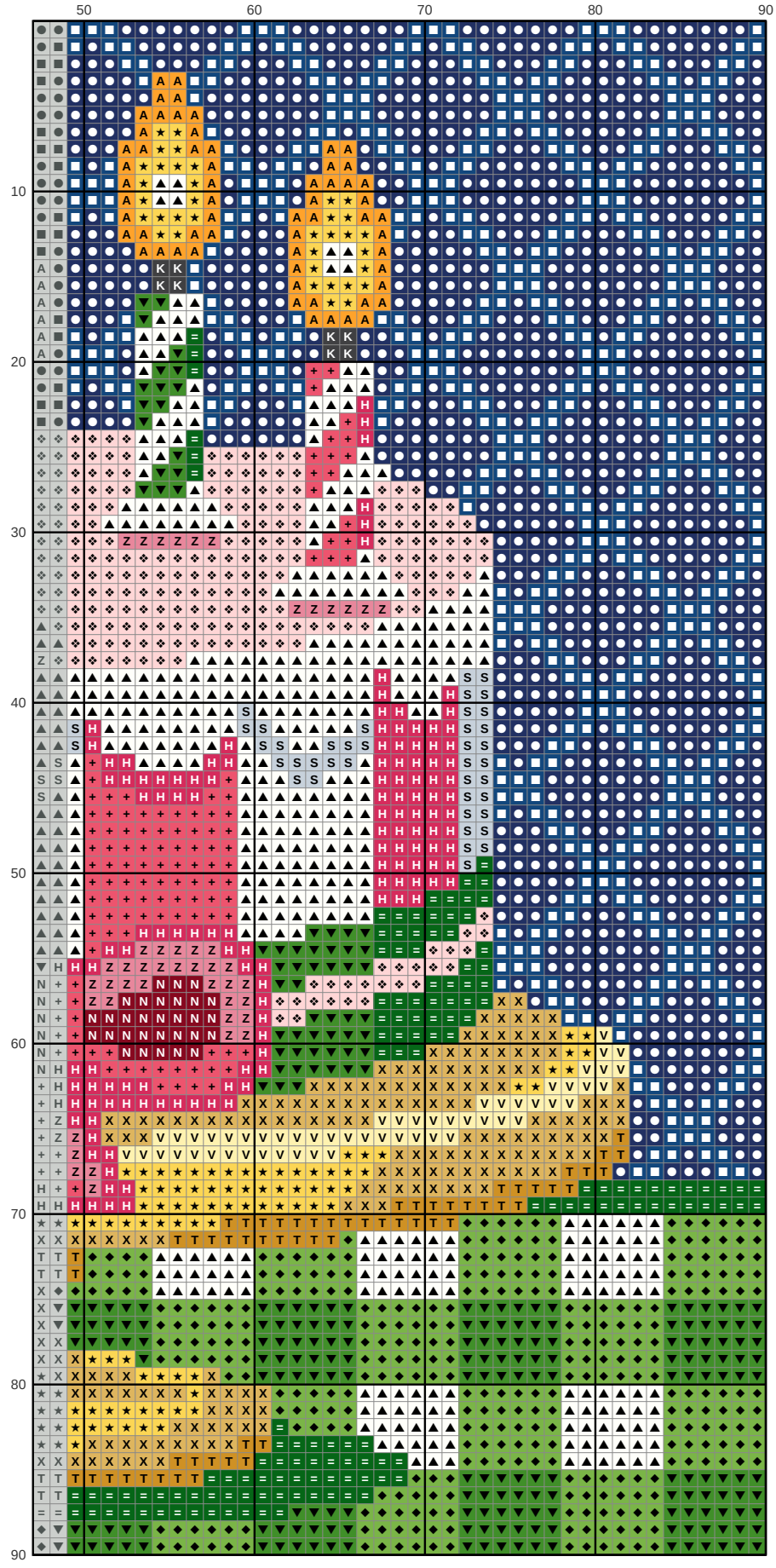
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- DMC 783 — Medium Topaz
- DMC 815 — Medium Garnet
- DMC 3752 — Very Light Antique Blue
- DMC 3799 — Very Dark Pewter Gray

# Preppy cake with counted candles

Needlepoint pattern

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

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