Cape Cod cottage with blue hydrangeas

Needlepoint pattern | 72 x 72 stitches | 4 x 4 in (10.2 x 10.2 cm) on 18 mesh | 14 colors



Thread key

			stitches	yards	skeins of floss
●	**DMC 3865**	Winter White	1,242	9	1
■	**DMC 963**	Ultra Very Light Dusty Rose	1,023	7	1
▲	**DMC 414**	Dark Steel Gray	562	4	1
◆	**DMC 156**	Medium Light Blue Violet	445	4	1
▼	**DMC 793**	Medium Cornflower Blue	370	3	1
★	**DMC 318**	Light Steel Gray	294	3	1
❖	**DMC 31**	Blueberry	276	2	1
X	**DMC 895**	Very Dark Hunter Green	238	2	1
O	**DMC 3747**	Very Light Blue Violet	188	2	1
+	**DMC 415**	Pearl Gray	176	2	1
=	**DMC 351**	Coral	110	1	1
Z	**DMC 3830**	Terra Cotta	96	1	1
A	**DMC 3347**	Medium Yellow Green	90	1	1
V	**DMC 471**	Very Light Avocado Green	74	1	1

One chart square is one tent stitch over one canvas intersection.

Cut the canvas at least 8 x 8 in (20.3 x 20.3 cm) for 18 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

5,184 stitches in all. Start from the center: the red arrows above and to the left of the chart mark it.

Thread: six-strand floss, 4 to 6 strands in the needle on 18 mesh (counted at 6), about 14 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 5, 1 strand, about 14 skeins of 27.3 yd; or Persian wool, 1 strand, about 14 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 42 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.

Make it an ornament: also have board, thin batting, backing fabric and twisted cord. Stitch two or three extra rows of background all round: the edge of the board takes them. "How to finish an ornament" is a guide linked from this pattern's page.

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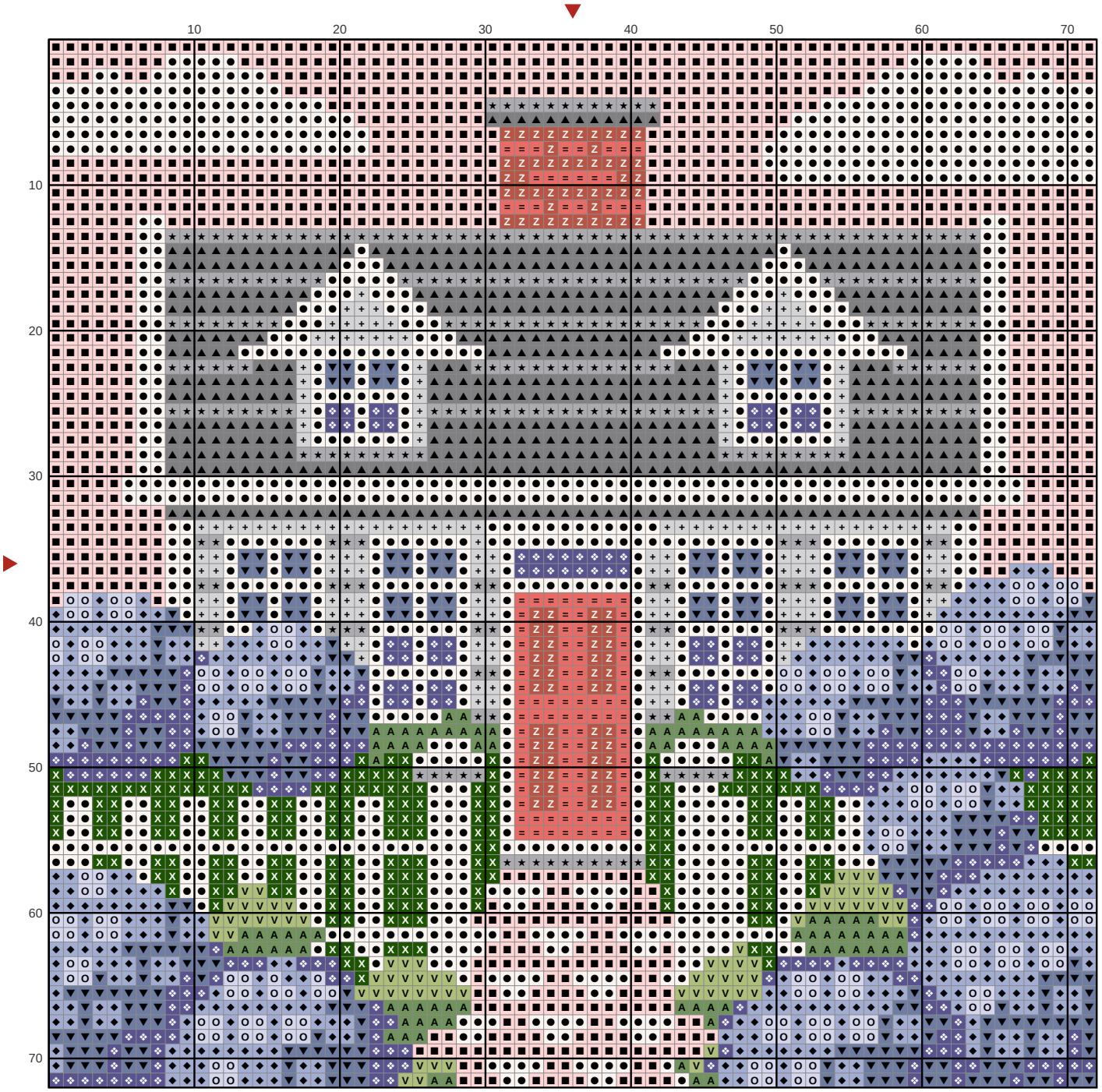

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