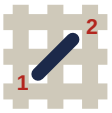
Retro 70s alligator with a daisy

Needlepoint pattern | 90 x 90 stitches | 5 x 5 in (12.7 x 12.7 cm) on 18 mesh | 12 colors



How to read the chart



1. Each square is one tent stitch, up at 1, down at 2: basketweave for the background, continental for lines.
2. Bind the edges. 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 (DMC 783): start there. Count threads, not holes.
4. Picture first, then border, background last. Gray squares are on two pages: stitch them once.
5. A heavier line stands every ten squares: count by them.
6. When it is done, block it square.

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You will need

Canvas: blank mono canvas, 18 mesh (18 threads to the inch), cut 9 x 9 in (22.9 x 22.9 cm).

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

Thread: six-strand floss, 4 strands in the needle (5 or 6 if canvas shows), about 14 skeins in all (an estimate).

Fit it into a lid: the box or tray, acid-free board and backing. Measure the opening first. Stitch two extra rows all round, carrying the colors of the edge on: the edge of the opening covers them. With those rows, each stitch in the color it lies beside, it takes 3 skeins of DMC 938, not 2.
How to fit it into a lid.

Thread list, DMC

			stitches	skeins
●	**938**	Ultra Dark Coffee Brown	2,382	2
■	**581**	Moss Green	1,488	2
▲	**801**	Dark Coffee Brown	775	1
◆	**946**	Medium Burnt Orange	686	1
▼	**712**	Cream	615	1
★	**920**	Medium Copper	574	1
❖	**3865**	Winter White	388	1
X	**580**	Dark Moss Green	382	1
O	**783**	Medium Topaz	375	1
+	**936**	Very Dark Avocado Green	198	1
=	**3819**	Light Moss Green	163	1
Z	**3033**	Very Light Mocha Brown	74	1

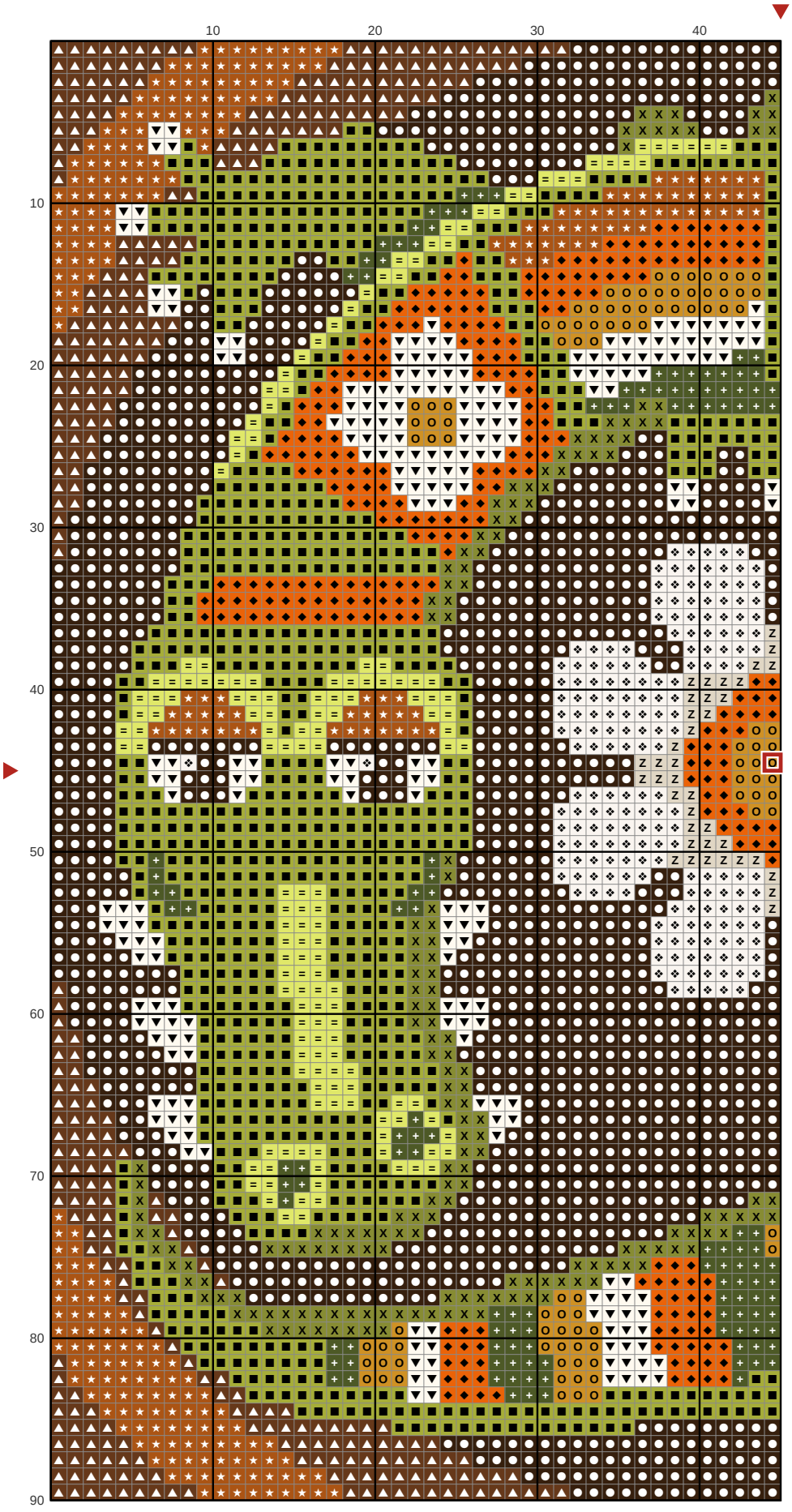
Skeins are estimates: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 18 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color.
Thread colors are approximate screen matches to DMC numbers. Check against real thread before you buy.
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Chart 1 of 2: columns 1 to 45, rows 1 to 90. Start at the red outline

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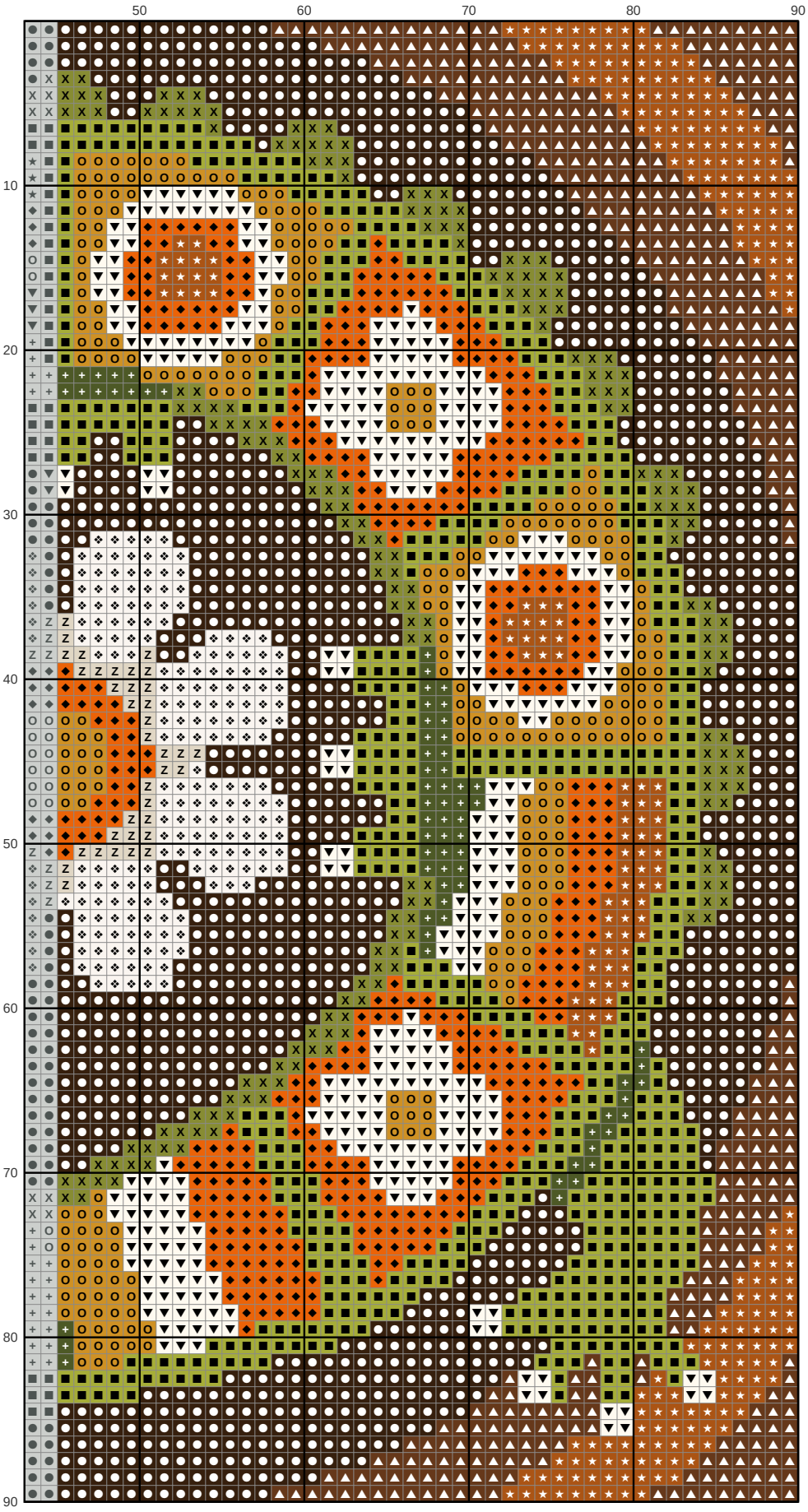
- **DMC 938** Ultra Dark Coffee Brown
- **DMC 581** Moss Green
- **DMC 801** Dark Coffee Brown
- **DMC 946** Medium Burnt Orange
- **DMC 712** Cream
- **DMC 920** Medium Copper
- **DMC 3865** Winter White
- **DMC 580** Dark Moss Green
- **DMC 783** Medium Topaz
- **DMC 936** Very Dark Avocado Green
- **DMC 3819** Light Moss Green
- **DMC 3033** Very Light Mocha Brown

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Chart 2 of 2: columns 46 to 90, rows 1 to 90. Gray squares repeat columns 44 and 45: do not stitch them twice



Key

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- DMC 581 Moss Green
- DMC 801 Dark Coffee Brown
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