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Needlepoint pattern | 104 x 130 stitches | 8 x 10 in (20.3 x 25.4 cm) on 13 mesh | 22 colors



Thread key, DMC

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	**310**	Black	4,623	44	7
■	**3807**	Cornflower Blue	1,928	19	3
▲	**791**	Very Dark Cornflower Blue	820	8	2
◆	**304**	Medium Red	774	8	2
▼	**815**	Medium Garnet	716	7	2
★	**798**	Dark Delft Blue	590	6	1
❖	**505**	Jade Green	506	5	1
X	**500**	Very Dark Blue Green	459	5	1
O	**336**	Navy Blue	457	5	1
+	**739**	Ultra Very Light Tan	365	4	1
=	**3820**	Dark Straw	352	4	1
Z	**647**	Medium Beaver Gray	331	4	1
A	**434**	Light Brown	242	3	1
V	**3046**	Medium Yellow Beige	241	3	1
T	**799**	Medium Delft Blue	216	3	1
N	**797**	Royal Blue	214	3	1
S	**415**	Pearl Gray	180	2	1
K	**645**	Very Dark Beaver Gray	140	2	1
E	**433**	Medium Brown	131	2	1
C	**3823**	Ultra Pale Yellow	91	1	1
P	**783**	Medium Topaz	77	1	1
U	**727**	Very Light Topaz	67	1	1

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

Cut the canvas at least 12 x 14 in (30.5 x 35.6 cm) for 13 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

13,520 stitches in all. Start from the center: a red arrow above the chart marks the center column, and one to the left of it the center row. The arrows are on the pages those lines cross.

The chart is divided evenly over 2 pages. Pages 2 and 3 are turned on their side, for a part that is wider than it is tall. Where chart pages join, gray squares repeat two rows. The small picture at the top of each chart page shows which part it is.

Thread: six-strand floss, 7 or 8 strands in the needle on 13 mesh (counted at 8), about 33 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 3, 1 strand, about 25 skeins of 16.4 yd; or tapestry wool, 1 strand, about 29 skeins of 8.7 yd; or Persian wool, 2 strands, about 26 skeins of 8 yd. Wool is numbered differently: match it by eye. Needle: tapestry, size 20.

Yards and skeins are estimates: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 13 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color (about 140 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.

Frame it: also have acid-free board and a frame. "How to frame needlepoint" is a guide linked from this pattern's page.

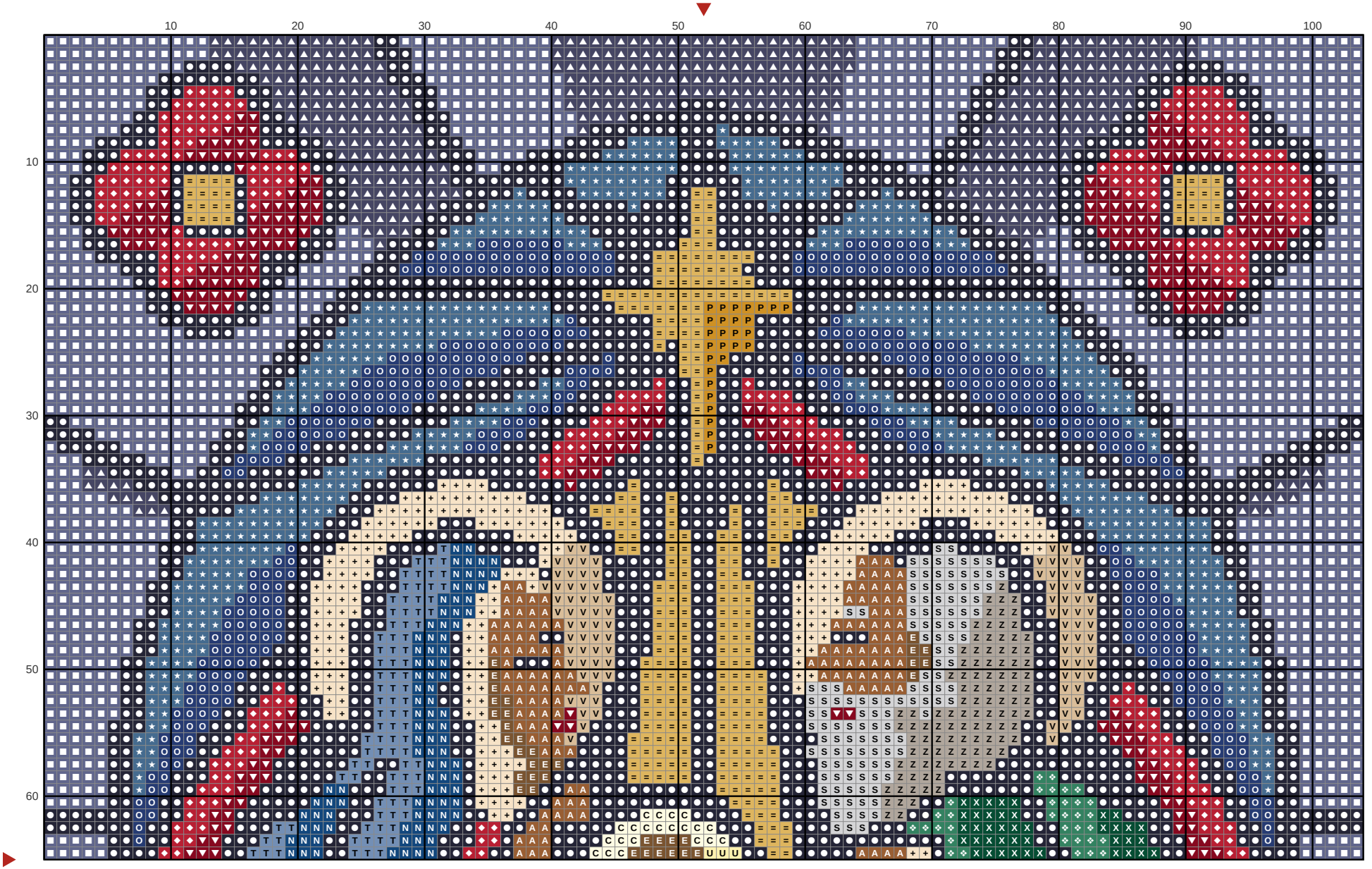
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Chart 2 of 2: columns 1 to 104, rows 66 to 130; gray squares repeat rows 64 and 65

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