Avenue of American flags in the snow

Needlepoint pattern | 90 x 126 stitches | 5 x 7 in (12.7 x 17.8 cm) on 18 mesh | 20 colors



Thread key, DMC

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	3743	Very Light Antique Violet	2,640	19	3
■	3865	Winter White	1,417	10	2
▲	3042	Light Antique Violet	1,351	10	2
◆	3041	Medium Antique Violet	881	7	1
▼	341	Light Blue Violet	711	5	1
★	930	Dark Antique Blue	586	5	1
❖	3740	Dark Antique Violet	518	4	1
X	815	Medium Garnet	396	3	1
O	823	Dark Navy Blue	391	3	1
+	321	Red	350	3	1
=	3747	Very Light Blue Violet	349	3	1
Z	931	Medium Antique Blue	326	3	1
A	3750	Very Dark Antique Blue	322	3	1
V	498	Dark Red	293	3	1
T	3801	Very Dark Melon	280	2	1
N	803	Ultra Very Dark Baby Blue	218	2	1
S	225	Ultra Very Light Shell Pink	144	1	1
K	336	Navy Blue	91	1	1
E	742	Light Tangerine	39	1	1
C	435	Very Light Brown	37	1	1

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

Cut the canvas at least 9 x 11 in (22.9 x 27.9 cm) for 18 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

11,340 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 on 2 pages, each cut to what is stitched: bare canvas has no page, and a join falls on plain ground where it can. 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, 4 to 6 strands in the needle on 18 mesh (counted at 6), about 24 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 5, 1 strand, about 20 skeins of 27.3 yd; or Persian wool, 1 strand, about 20 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 89 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 1 of 2: columns 1 to 90, rows 1 to 64

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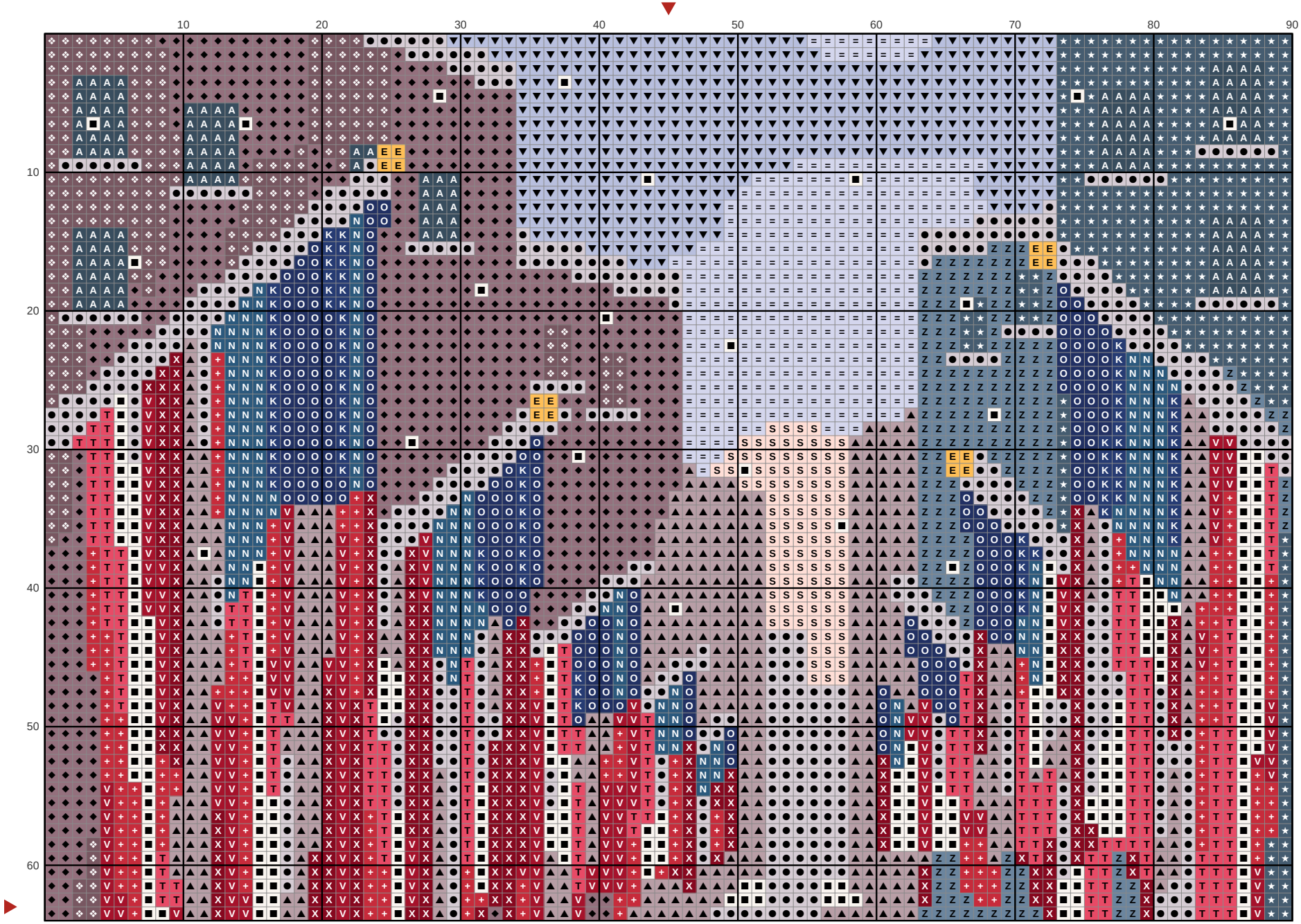

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Chart 2 of 2: columns 1 to 90, rows 65 to 126; gray squares repeat rows 63 and 64

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