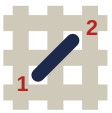
Whimsical milkweed and cats

Needlepoint pattern | 90 x 126 stitches | 5 x 7 in (12.7 x 17.8 cm) on 18 mesh | 20 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 63 (DMC 3865): 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. When it is done, block it square.

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 in wide x 11 in high (22.9 x 27.9 cm).

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

Thread: six-strand floss, 20 colors, about 20 skeins in all (an estimate). Stitch with 4 strands (5 or 6 if canvas shows).

Frame it: acid-free board and a frame.
How to frame needlepoint.

Thread list, DMC

			stitches	skeins
●	**31**	Blueberry	1,101	1
■	**3727**	Light Antique Mauve	914	1
▲	**3685**	Very Dark Mauve	842	1
◆	**988**	Medium Forest Green	813	1
▼	**3853**	Dark Autumn Gold	795	1
★	**500**	Very Dark Blue Green	792	1
❖	**3855**	Light Autumn Gold	658	1
X	**415**	Pearl Gray	541	1
H	**3836**	Light Grape	509	1
+	**921**	Copper	496	1
=	**3865**	Winter White	487	1
Z	**3341**	Apricot	481	1
A	**300**	Very Dark Mahogany	457	1
V	**3799**	Very Dark Pewter Gray	409	1
T	**3689**	Light Mauve	402	1
N	**3687**	Mauve	391	1
S	**30**	Medium Light Blueberry	371	1
K	**3847**	Dark Teal Green	334	1
E	**3348**	Light Yellow Green	334	1
C	**414**	Dark Steel Gray	213	1

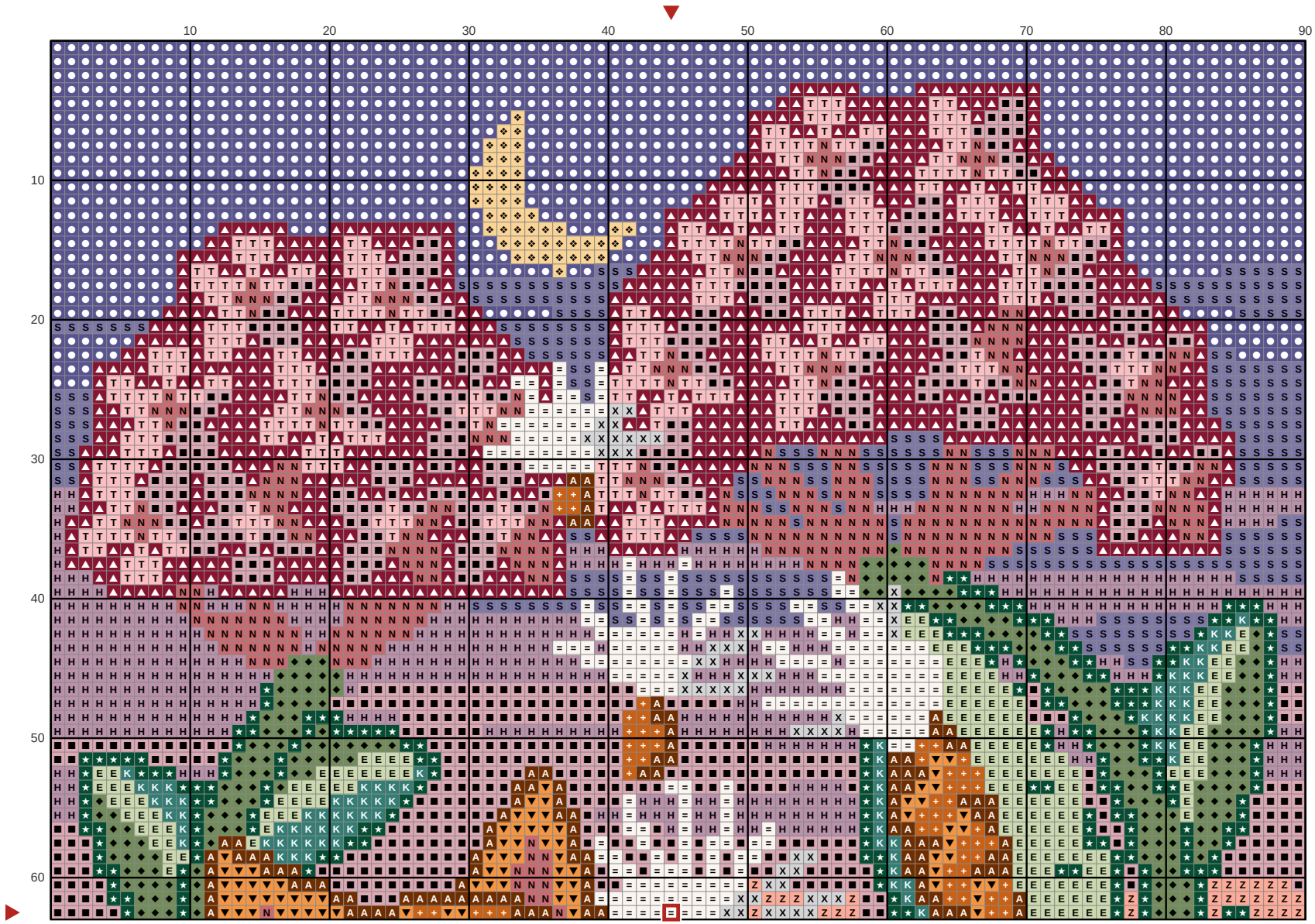
Skeins are estimates: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 18 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color.
Thread colors are approximate screen matches to DMC numbers. Check against real thread before you buy.
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Needlepoint pattern

Columns 1 to 90, rows 1 to 63. Start at the red outline

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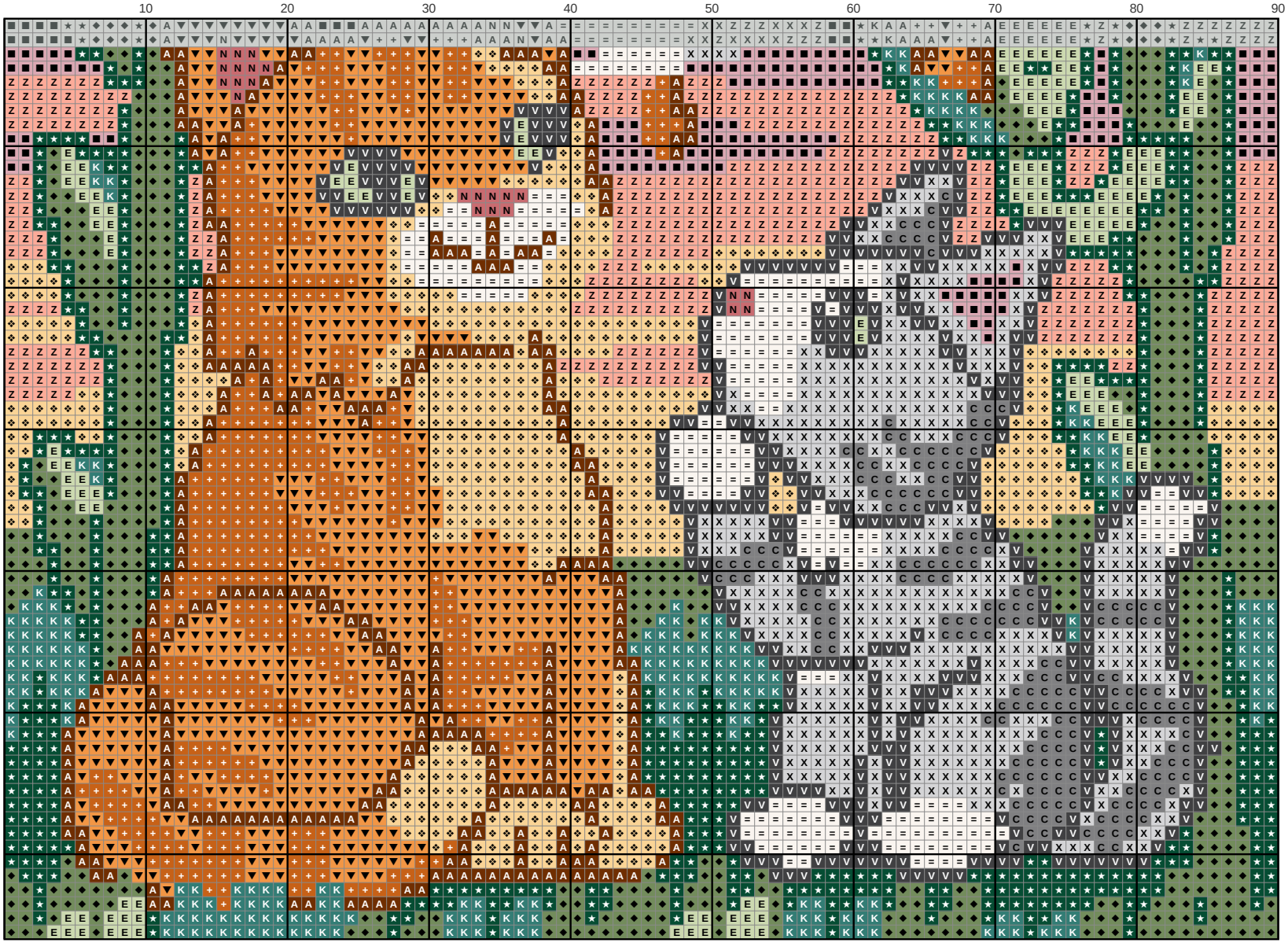
- **DMC 31** Blueberry
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- **DMC 3685** Very Dark Mauve
- **DMC 988** Medium Forest Green
- **DMC 3853** Dark Autumn Gold
- **DMC 500** Very Dark Blue Green
- **DMC 3855** Light Autumn Gold
- **X** **DMC 415** Pearl Gray
- **H** **DMC 3836** Light Grape
- **+** **DMC 921** Copper
- **=** **DMC 3865** Winter White
- **Z** **DMC 3341** Apricot
- **A** **DMC 300** Very Dark Mahogany
- **T** **DMC 3689** Light Mauve
- **N** **DMC 3687** Mauve
- **S** **DMC 30** Medium Light Blueberry
- **K** **DMC 3847** Dark Teal Green
- **E** **DMC 3348** Light Yellow Green

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Needlepoint pattern

Columns 1 to 90, rows 64 to 126. Gray squares: charted already, do not stitch again

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