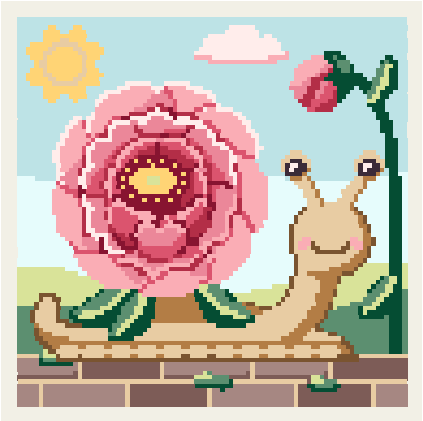
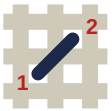
Whimsical peony

Needlepoint pattern | 90 x 90 stitches | 5 x 5 in (12.7 x 12.7 cm) on 18 mesh | 18 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 45 (DMC 3831): 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. Last, two more rows all round, each stitch in the color it lies beside: the opening's edge hides them.

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 9.5 in square (24.1 cm).

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

Thread: six-strand floss, 18 colors, about 19 skeins in all (an estimate). Stitch with 4 strands (5 or 6 if canvas shows).

Fit it into a lid: the box or tray, acid-free board and backing. Measure the opening first.
How to fit it into a lid.

Thread list, DMC

			stitches	skeins
●	**3811**	Very Light Turquoise	1,788	2
■	**738**	Very Light Tan	877	1
▲	**3326**	Light Rose	803	1
◆	**747**	Very Light Sky Blue	605	1
▼	**500**	Very Dark Blue Green	431	1
★	**3861**	Light Cocoa	389	1
❖	**472**	Ultra Light Avocado Green	362	1
X	**3860**	Cocoa	353	1
H	**3833**	Light Raspberry	343	1
+	**502**	Blue Green	322	1
=	**819**	Light Baby Pink	316	1
Z	**435**	Very Light Brown	315	1
A	**3832**	Medium Raspberry	294	1
V	**743**	Medium Yellow	249	1
T	**3831**	Dark Raspberry	229	1
N	**3685**	Very Dark Mauve	204	1
S	**433**	Medium Brown	192	1
K	**3371**	Black Brown	28	1

Skeins are estimates, with the two extra rows: 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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Columns 1 to 49, rows 1 to 90. Start at the red outline

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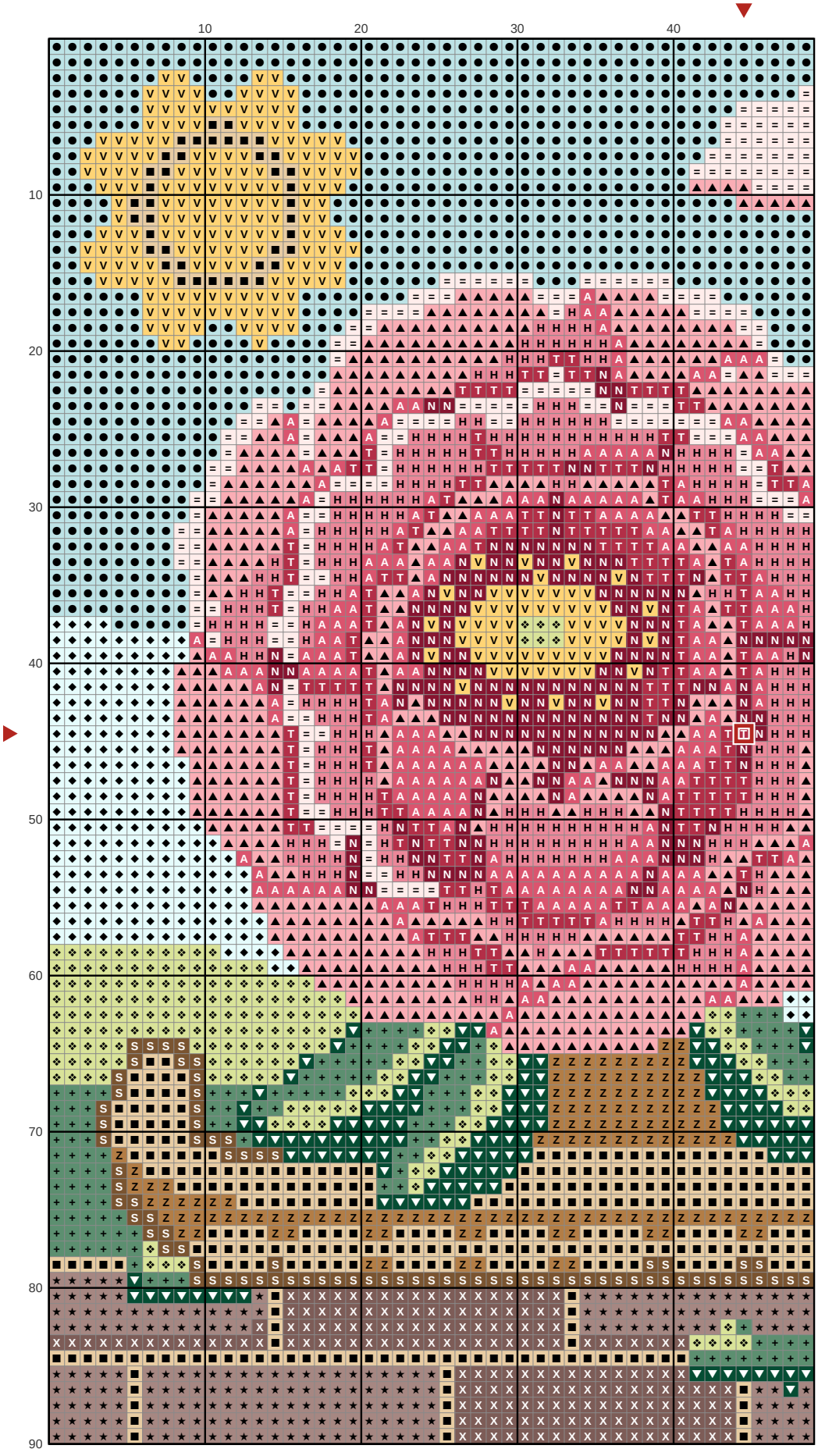

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Columns 50 to 90, rows 1 to 90. Gray squares: charted already, do not stitch again

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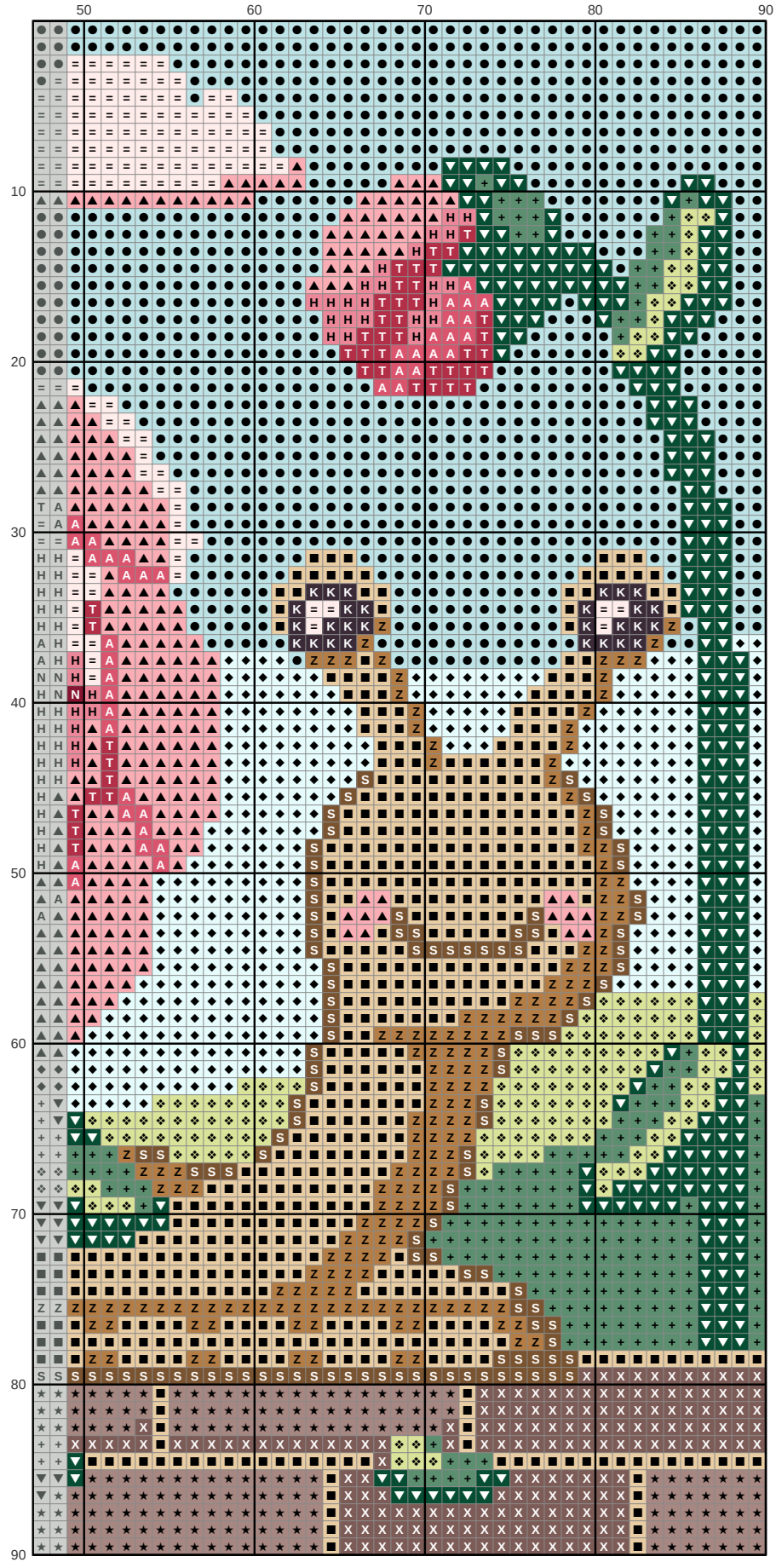

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