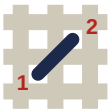
Whimsical Scorpio the scorpion

Needlepoint pattern | 90 x 90 stitches | 5 x 5 in (12.7 x 12.7 cm) on 18 mesh | 16 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 3849): 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, 16 colors, about 18 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
●	**550**	Very Dark Violet	1,785	2
■	**823**	Dark Navy Blue	1,339	2
▲	**3855**	Light Autumn Gold	1,180	1
◆	**3849**	Light Teal Green	705	1
▼	**964**	Light Seagreen	691	1
★	**3847**	Dark Teal Green	552	1
❖	**3778**	Light Terra Cotta	479	1
X	**3722**	Medium Shell Pink	472	1
H	**3848**	Medium Teal Green	347	1
+	**745**	Light Pale Yellow	165	1
=	**727**	Very Light Topaz	139	1
Z	**742**	Light Tangerine	99	1
A	**BLANC**	White	56	1
V	**758**	Very Light Terra Cotta	35	1
T	**782**	Dark Topaz	28	1
N	**3706**	Medium Melon	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.

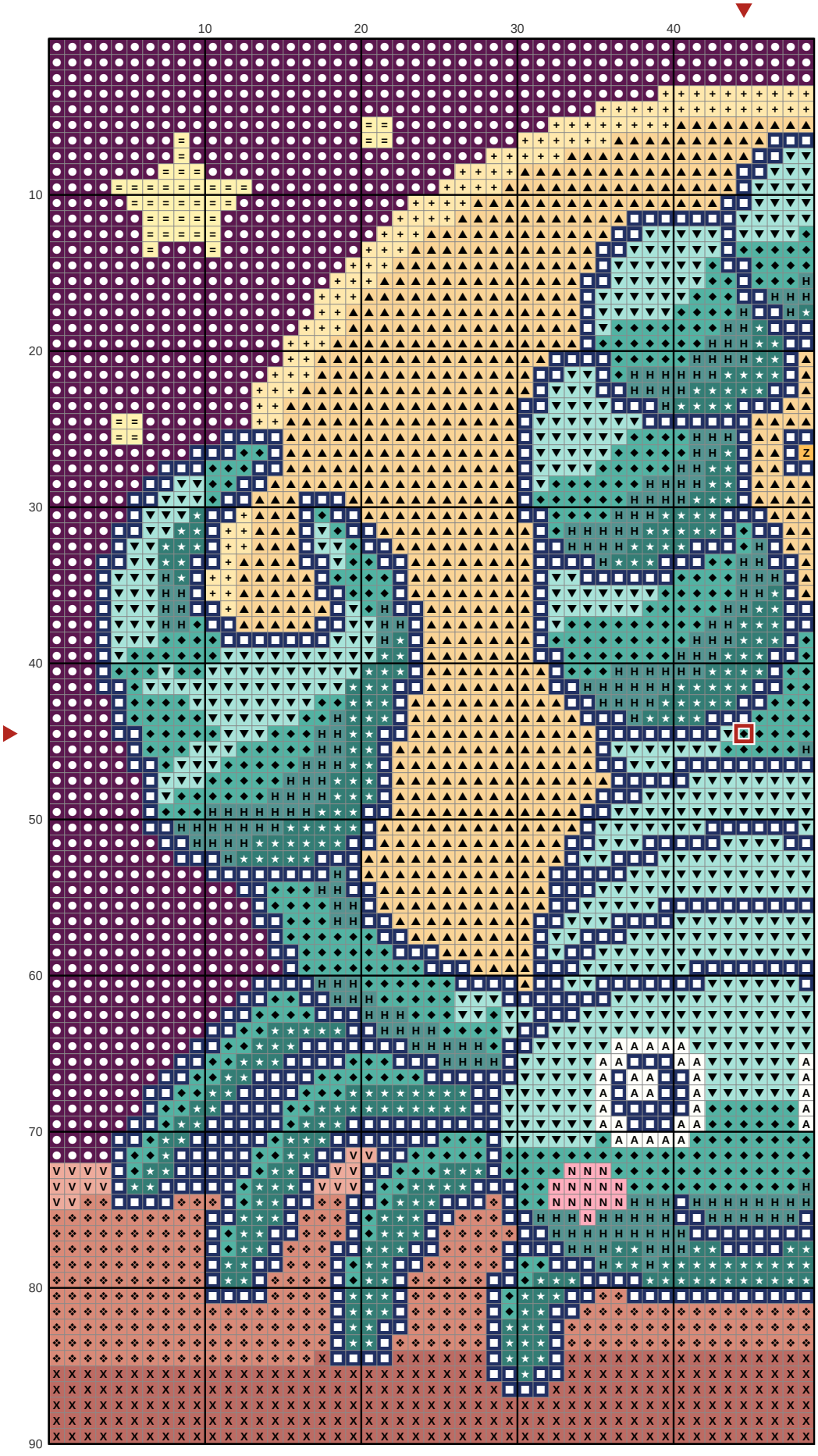
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Whimsical Scorpio the scorpion

Needlepoint pattern

Columns 1 to 49, rows 1 to 90. Start at the red outline

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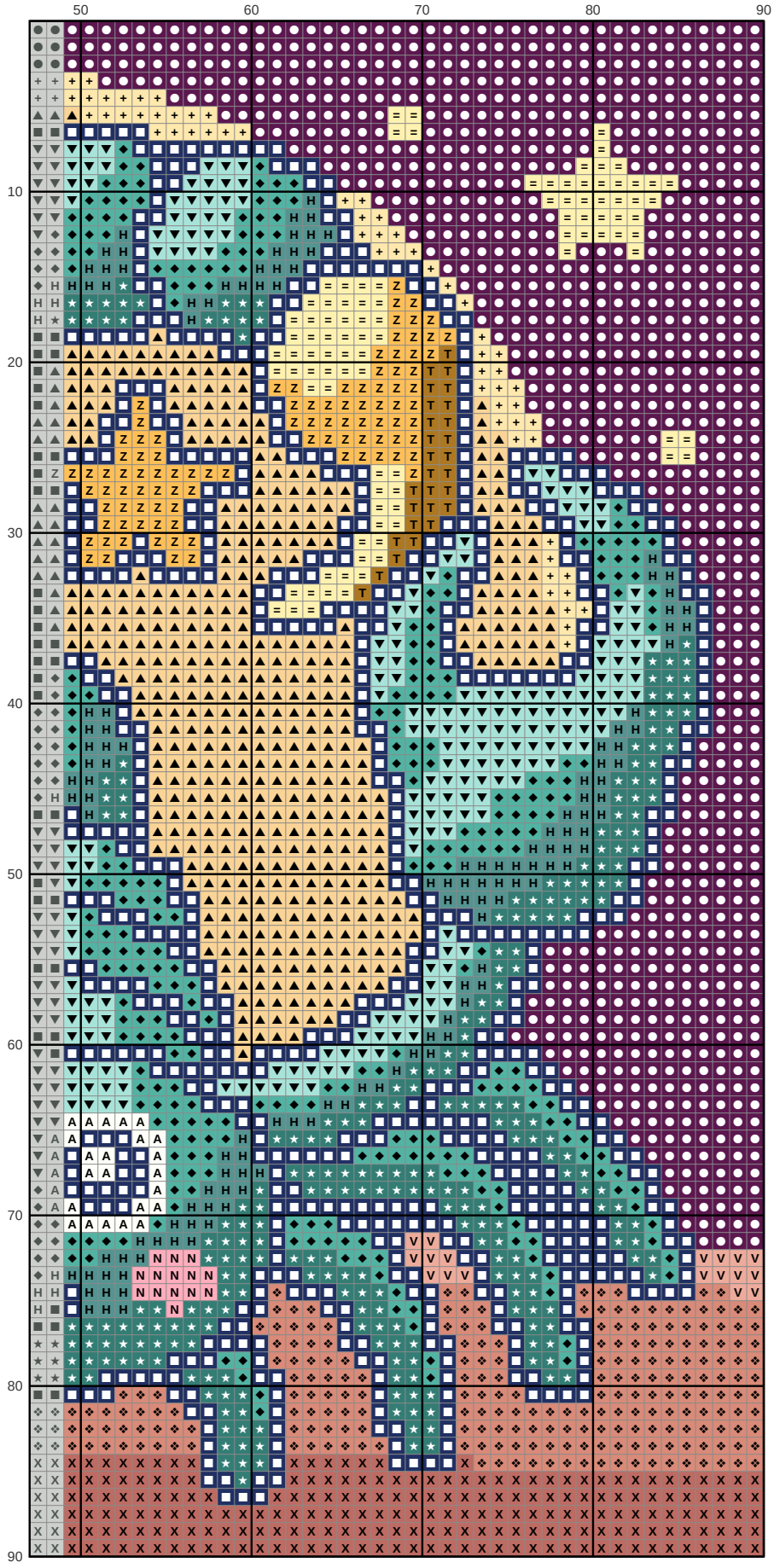
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- **DMC 823** Dark Navy Blue
- **DMC 3855** Light Autumn Gold
- **DMC 3849** Light Teal Green
- **DMC 964** Light Seagreen
- **DMC 3847** Dark Teal Green
- **DMC 3778** Light Terra Cotta
- **DMC 3722** Medium Shell Pink
- **DMC 3848** Medium Teal Green
- **DMC 745** Light Pale Yellow
- **DMC 727** Very Light Topaz
- **DMC 742** Light Tangerine
- **DMC BLANC** White
- **DMC 758** Very Light Terra Cotta
- **DMC 3706** Medium Melon

Whimsical Scorpio the scorpion Needlepoint pattern

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

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