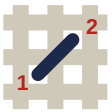
Whimsical Steadfast Tin Soldier

Needlepoint pattern | 130 x 91 stitches | 10 x 7 in (25.4 x 17.8 cm) on 13 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 65, row 46 (DMC 951): 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 seam 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, 13 mesh (13 threads to the inch), cut 14.5 in wide x 11.5 in high (36.8 x 29.2 cm).

Needle: blunt tapestry, size 20. Also masking tape for the cut edges, and small scissors.

Thread: six-strand floss, 20 colors, about 30 skeins in all (an estimate). Stitch with 7 strands (8 if canvas shows).

Make it a pillow: backing fabric, an insert the size of the stitching or an inch larger, and cord or piping for the edge. How to finish a pillow.

Thread list, DMC

			stitches	skeins
●	3807	Cornflower Blue	2,693	5
■	739	Ultra Very Light Tan	1,397	3
▲	3803	Dark Mauve	1,238	3
◆	3839	Medium Lavender Blue	1,164	2
▼	3838	Dark Lavender Blue	860	2
★	3820	Dark Straw	656	1
❖	437	Light Tan	614	1
X	3772	Very Dark Desert Sand	512	1
H	BLANC	White	494	1
+	3687	Mauve	366	1
=	3371	Black Brown	351	1
Z	321	Red	342	1
A	939	Very Dark Navy Blue	263	1
V	951	Light Tawny	242	1
T	3689	Light Mauve	224	1
N	632	Ultra Very Dark Desert Sand	188	1
S	3747	Very Light Blue Violet	101	1
K	815	Medium Garnet	93	1
E	318	Light Steel Gray	24	1
C	3771	Ultra Very Light Terra Cotta	8	1

Skeins are estimates, with the two extra rows: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 13 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.

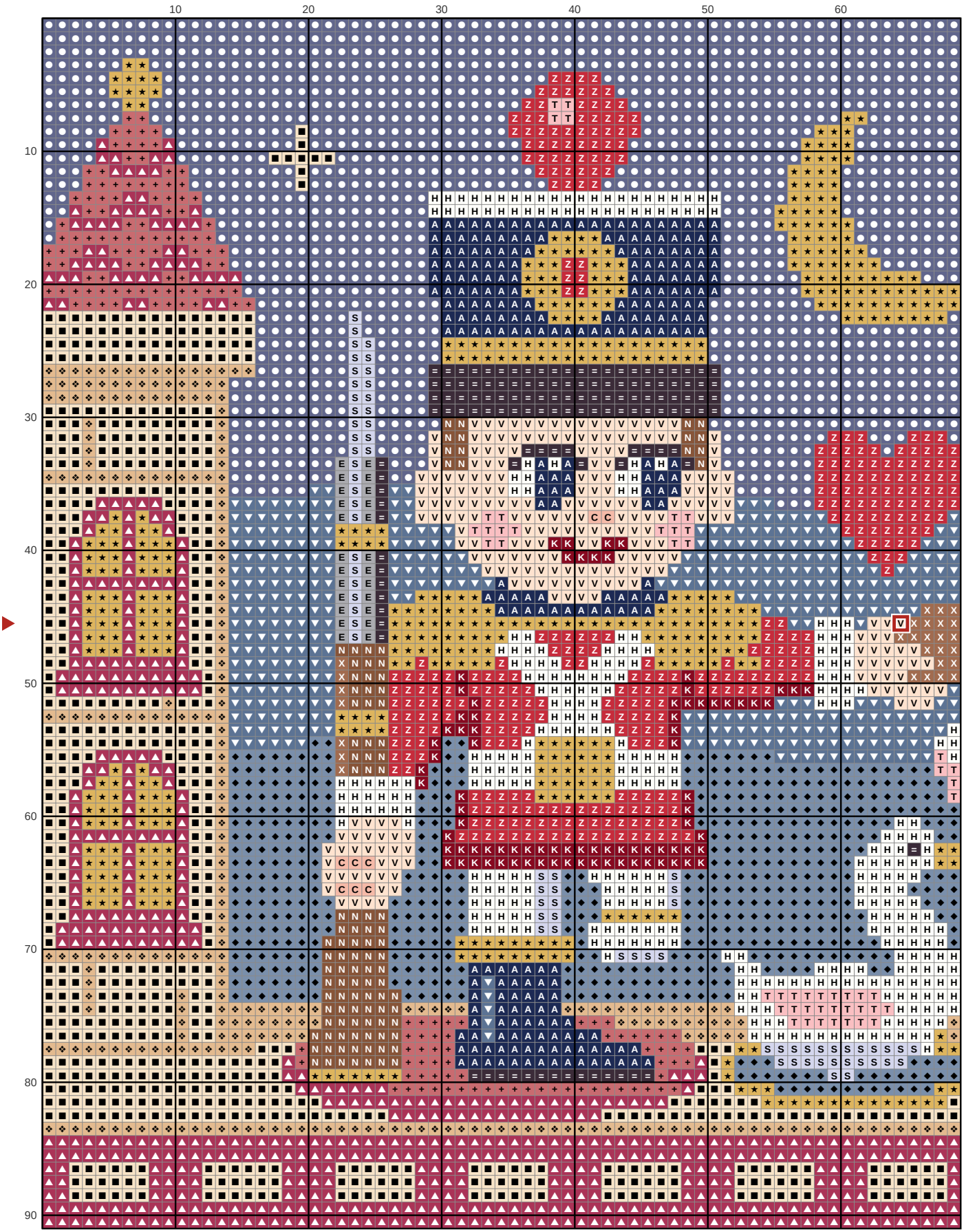
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Needlepoint pattern

Columns 1 to 69, rows 1 to 91. Start at the red outline

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Needlepoint pattern

Columns 70 to 130, rows 1 to 91. Gray squares: charted already, do not stitch again

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