

Durene uses whole cross stitches and backstitch only to create these gorgeous designs. The backstitch is worked into the aida holes, so there's no need to use a sharp needle to pierce the fabric.

WATCH THE BIRDIE

For more beautiful bird designs visit the Chart Shop at www.cross-stitching.com, where you'll find peacocks, kingfishers, hummingbirds and much more

TIP

For a different effect, mount these three bird designs in a portrait style instead, one above the other

SHOPPING LIST

FABRIC

A piece of 14-count white aida measuring 28x23cm (11x9in) for each design

THREADS

Stranded cotton as listed in the key

NEEDLES

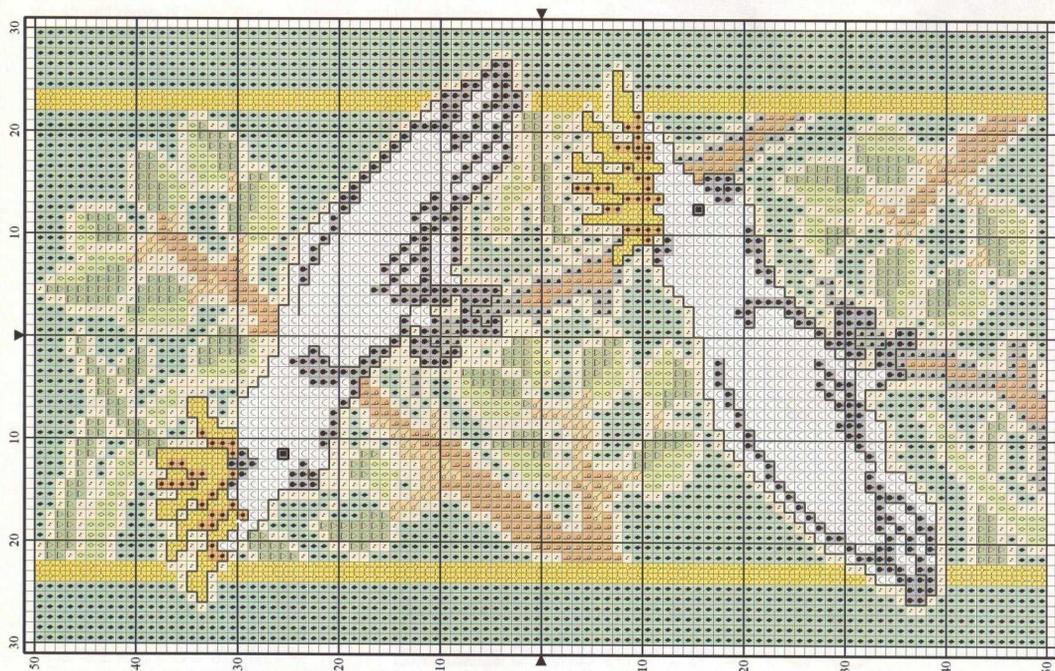
Size 24 tapestry needle

FRAME

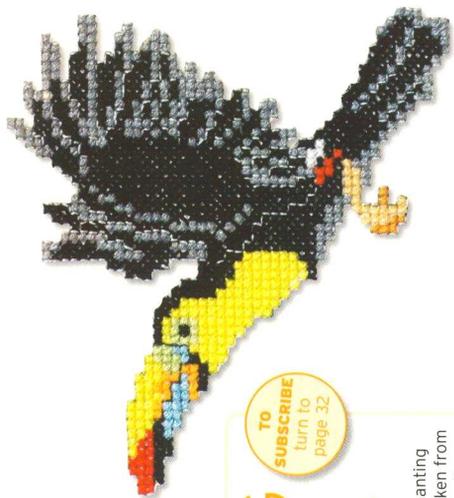
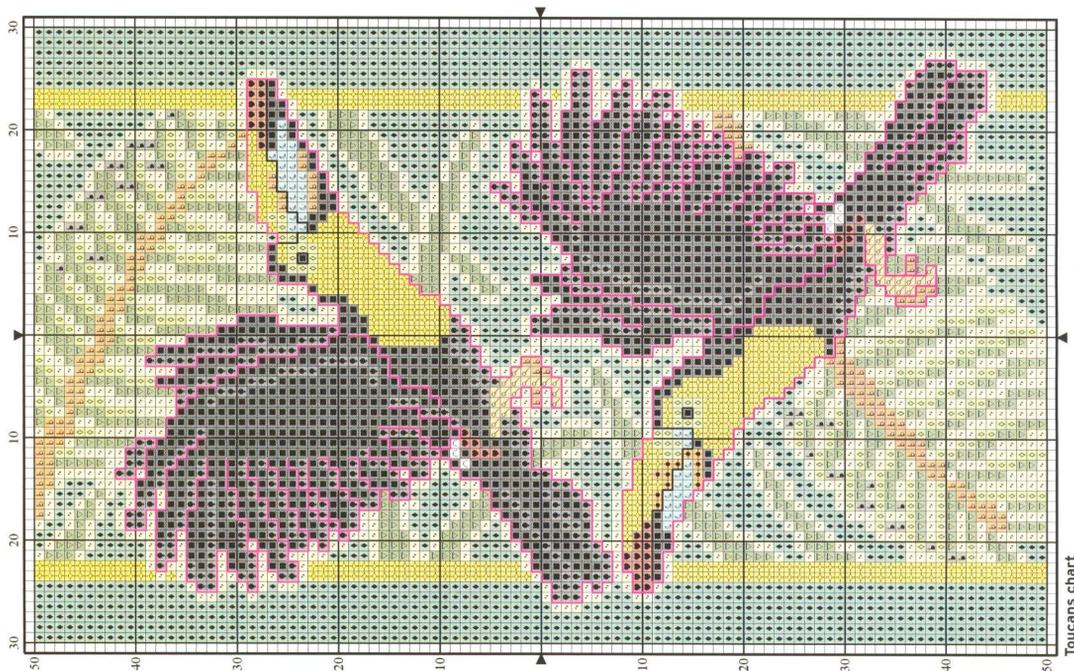
Of your choice with a minimum individual aperture of 18x11cm (7¼x4¼in)

TOTAL COST

Approx. £15 (excluding frame)



Cockatoos chart



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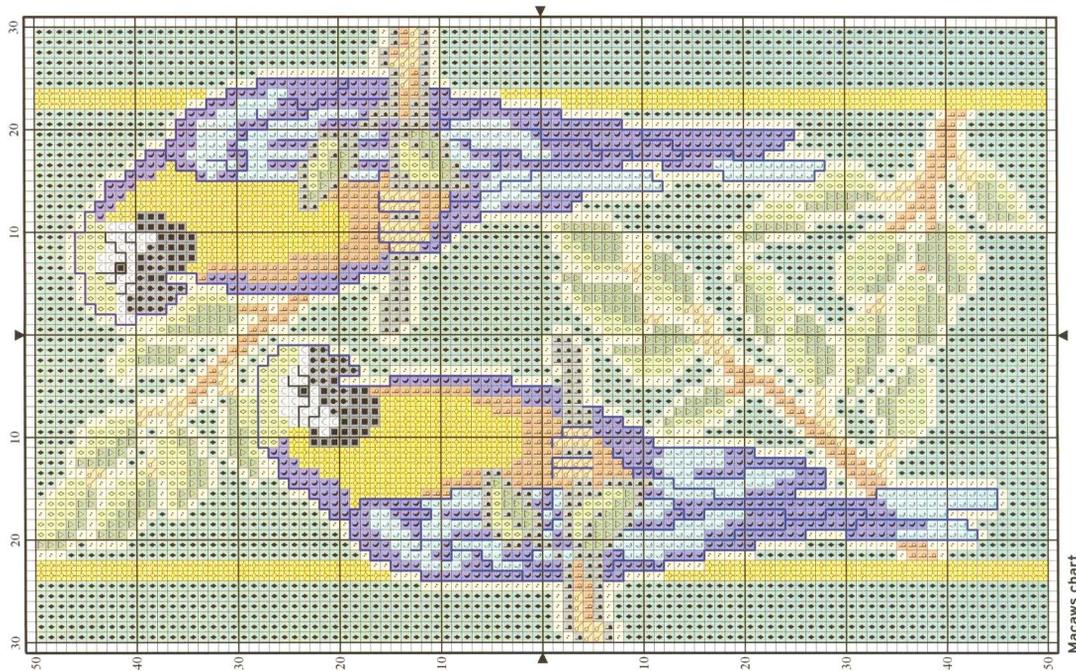
- STITCHING TIME**
One month for the set
- TYPE OF STITCHES**
Cross stitch, backstitch
- EASE OF STITCHING**
For all bird lovers

SPECIAL FRAME OFFER

Get a frame and mount just like ours by sending a cheque or postal order for £25 (inc p&p) made payable to Genesis Frames to: Genesis Frames, *The World of Cross Stitching* 148, Tropical birds offer, PO Box 2145, Gloucester North, GL4 5XO by 26 February 2010. Please allow 28 days for delivery. You can also order at www.genesisframes.co.uk*

*Orders by post, available for UK residents only





TROPICAL BIRDS KEY

★ Cross stitch in two strands

DMC	Anchor	Madeira	
B5200	2	2402	white
310	403	2400	black
414	235	1714	grey
433	357	2602	tan
519	1038	1105	light blue
580	267	1608	green
739	366	2014	light tan
741	304	202	orange
798	137	912	blue
817	13	210	red
973	290	105	yellow
976	1001	2010	ginger
3348	264	1409	light green
3827	311	2012	light ginger
3847	189	1204	sea green

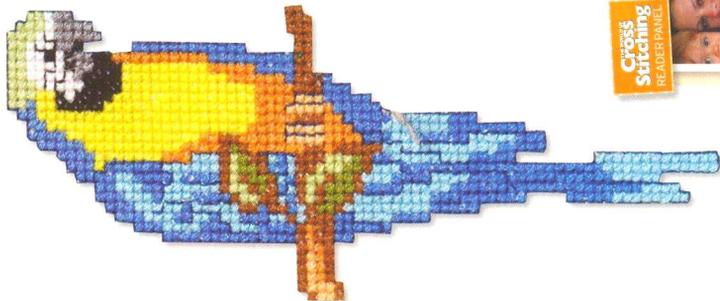
★ Backstitch in one strand

—	3799	236	1713	dark grey
—	415	398	1802	light grey
—	803	148	1006	dark blue

★ MAXIMUM STITCH COUNT 100 high x 60 wide

★ DESIGN AREA

14 HPI (28-count evenweave) - 18x11cm (7 1/8x4 1/8in)
These designs were stitched using DMC stranded cotton



CrossStitching
READER PANEL



“These tropical birds make a really effective piece. I love the colours Durene has used and it looks like an enjoyable project to stitch. I'd love to stitch it for my friend, who owns a number of different parrots and birds.”

Jodi Collins