The Peacock Skirt, after Beardsley

Needlepoint pattern | 160 x 160 stitches | 16 x 16 in (40.6 x 40.6 cm) on 10 mesh | 8 colors



Thread key

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	**DMC 3813**	Light Blue Green	10,455	129	16
■	**DMC 310**	Black	8,037	99	13
▲	**DMC 3865**	Winter White	2,825	35	5
◆	**DMC 3808**	Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	1,986	25	3
▼	**DMC 3852**	Very Dark Straw	1,638	21	3
★	**DMC 3848**	Medium Teal Green	500	7	1
❖	**DMC 820**	Very Dark Royal Blue	149	2	1
X	**DMC 355**	Dark Terra Cotta	10	1	1

One chart square is one tent stitch over one canvas intersection.

Cut the canvas at least 20 x 20 in (50.8 x 50.8 cm) for 10 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

25,600 stitches in all. Start from the center: a red arrow above the chart marks the center column, and one to the left of it the center row. The arrows are on the pages those lines cross.

The chart is on 5 pages, each cut to what is stitched: bare canvas has no page, and a join falls on plain ground where it can. Pages 2 and 3 are turned on their side, for a part that is wider than it is tall. Where chart pages join, gray squares repeat two rows or columns. The small picture at the top of each chart page shows which part it is.

Thread: pearl cotton size 3, 2 strands in the needle on 10 mesh, about 43 skeins of 16.4 yd in all. Or six-strand floss, 8 to 10 strands, about 64 skeins of 8.7 yd; or tapestry wool, 1 strand, about 40 skeins of 8.7 yd; or Persian wool, 3 strands, about 45 skeins of 8 yd. Wool is numbered differently: match it by eye. Needle: tapestry, size 16 or 18.

Yards and skeins are estimates: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 10 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color (about 319 yards in all, as the thread lies in the needle).

Thread colors are approximate screen matches to DMC numbers. Check against real thread before you buy.

Make it a pillow: also have backing fabric, an insert the size of the stitching or an inch larger, and cord or piping for the edge. The seam takes the last two rows: stitch two extra rows all round, or keep the edge plain. "How to finish a pillow" is a guide linked from this pattern's page.

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Chart 1 of 5: columns 1 to 80, rows 1 to 66

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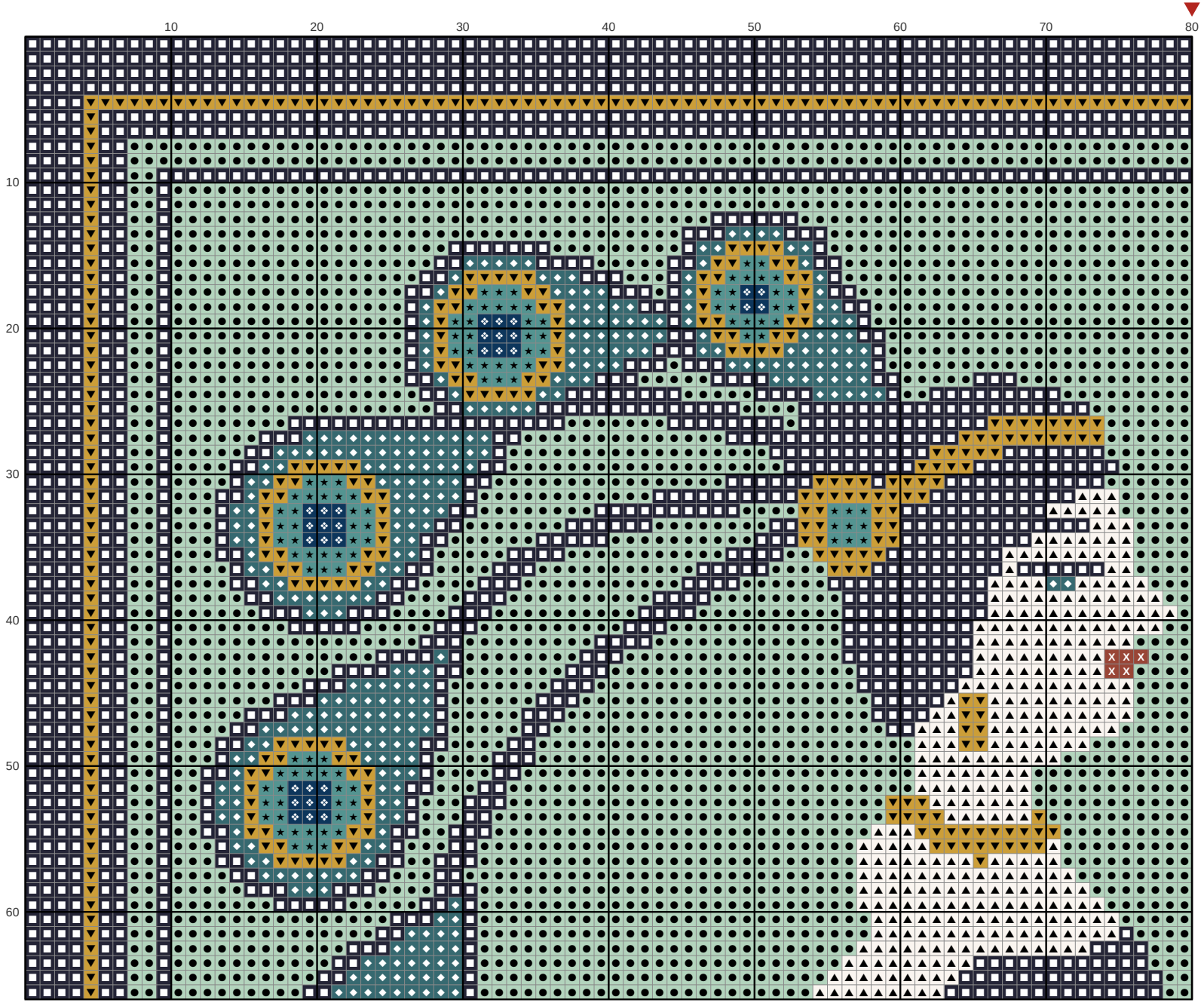

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Chart 2 of 5: columns 81 to 160, rows 1 to 66; gray squares repeat columns 79 and 80

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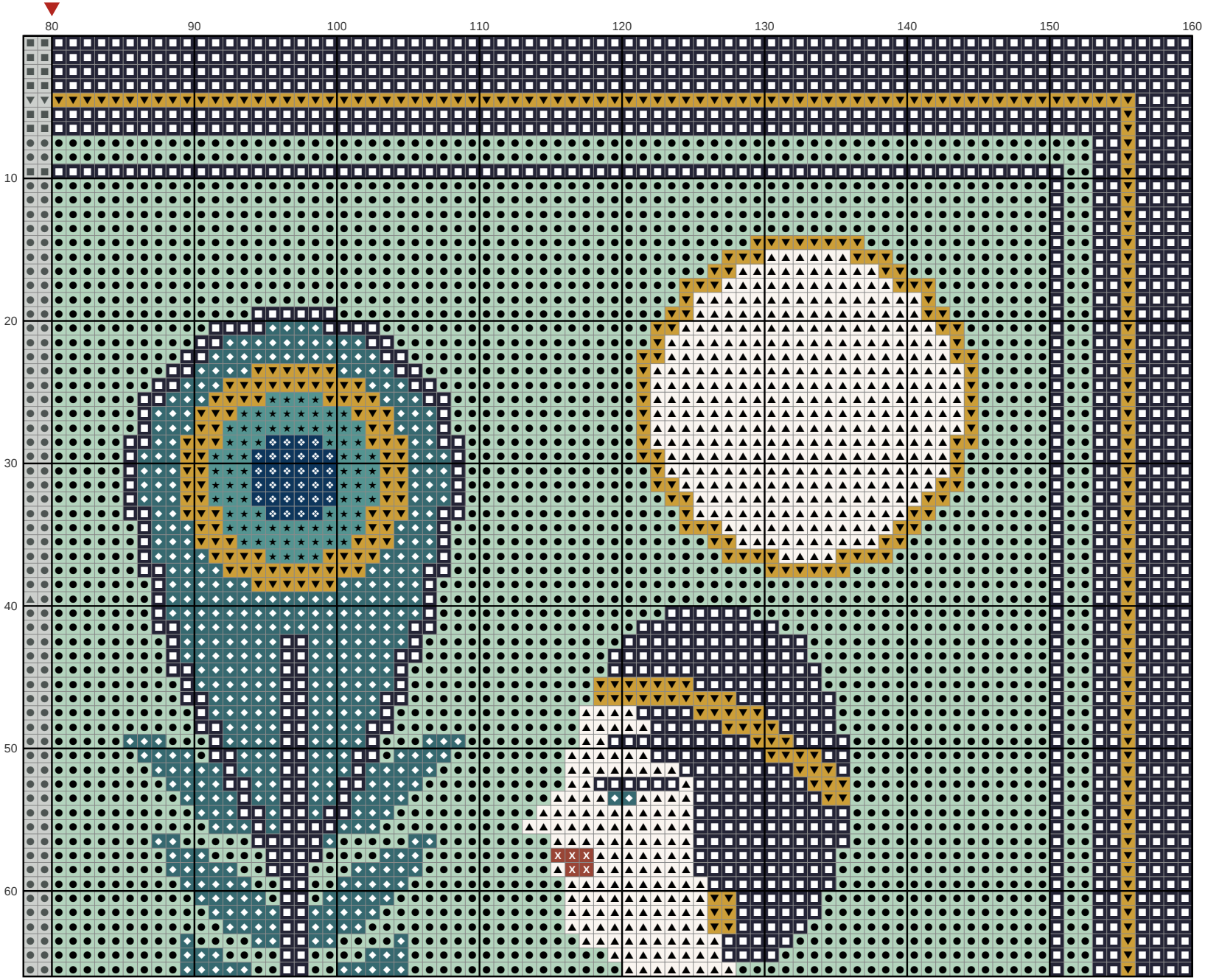

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Chart 3 of 5: columns 1 to 54, rows 67 to 160; gray squares repeat rows 65 and 66

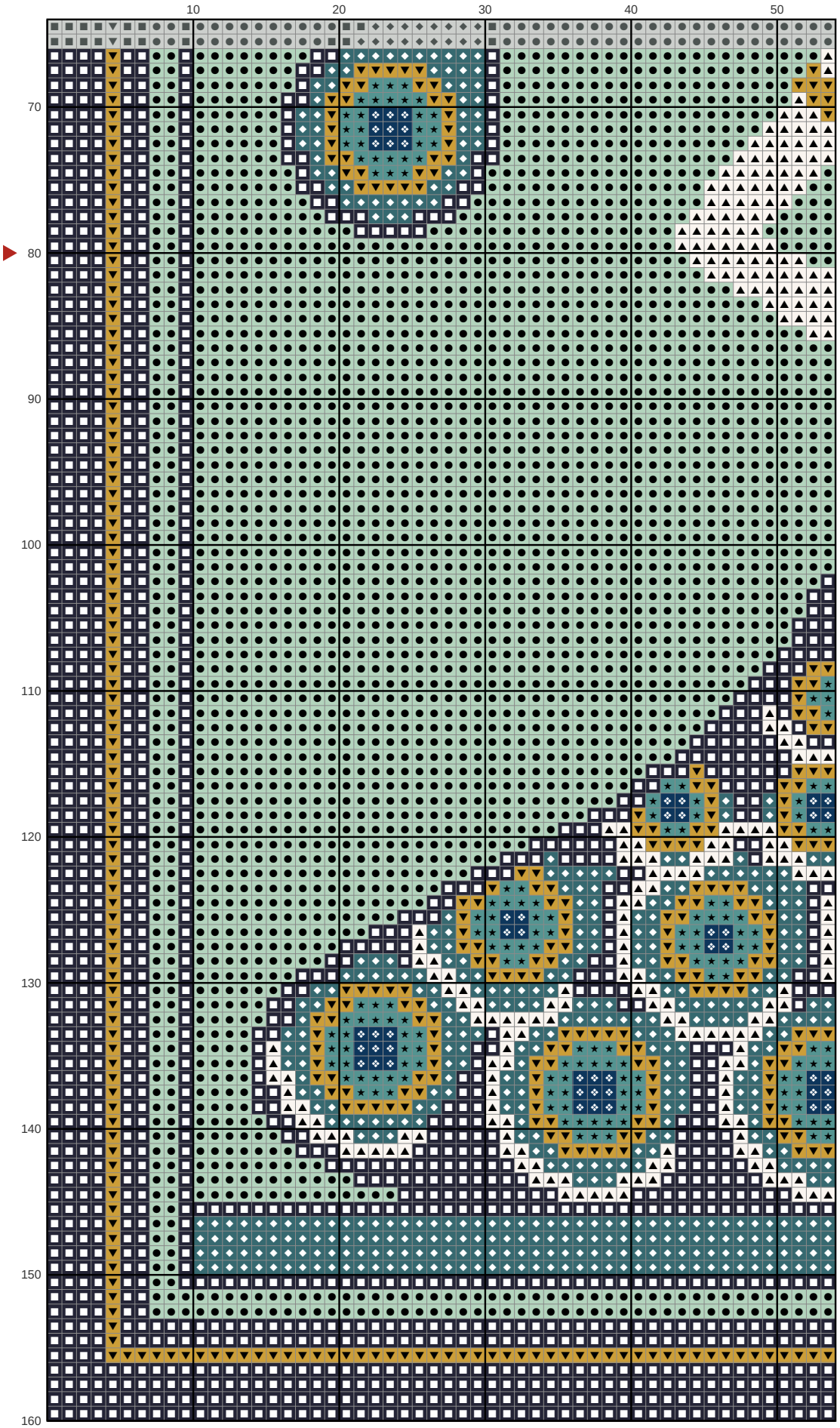

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Chart 4 of 5: columns 55 to 107, rows 67 to 160; gray squares repeat columns 53 and 54 and rows 65 and 66

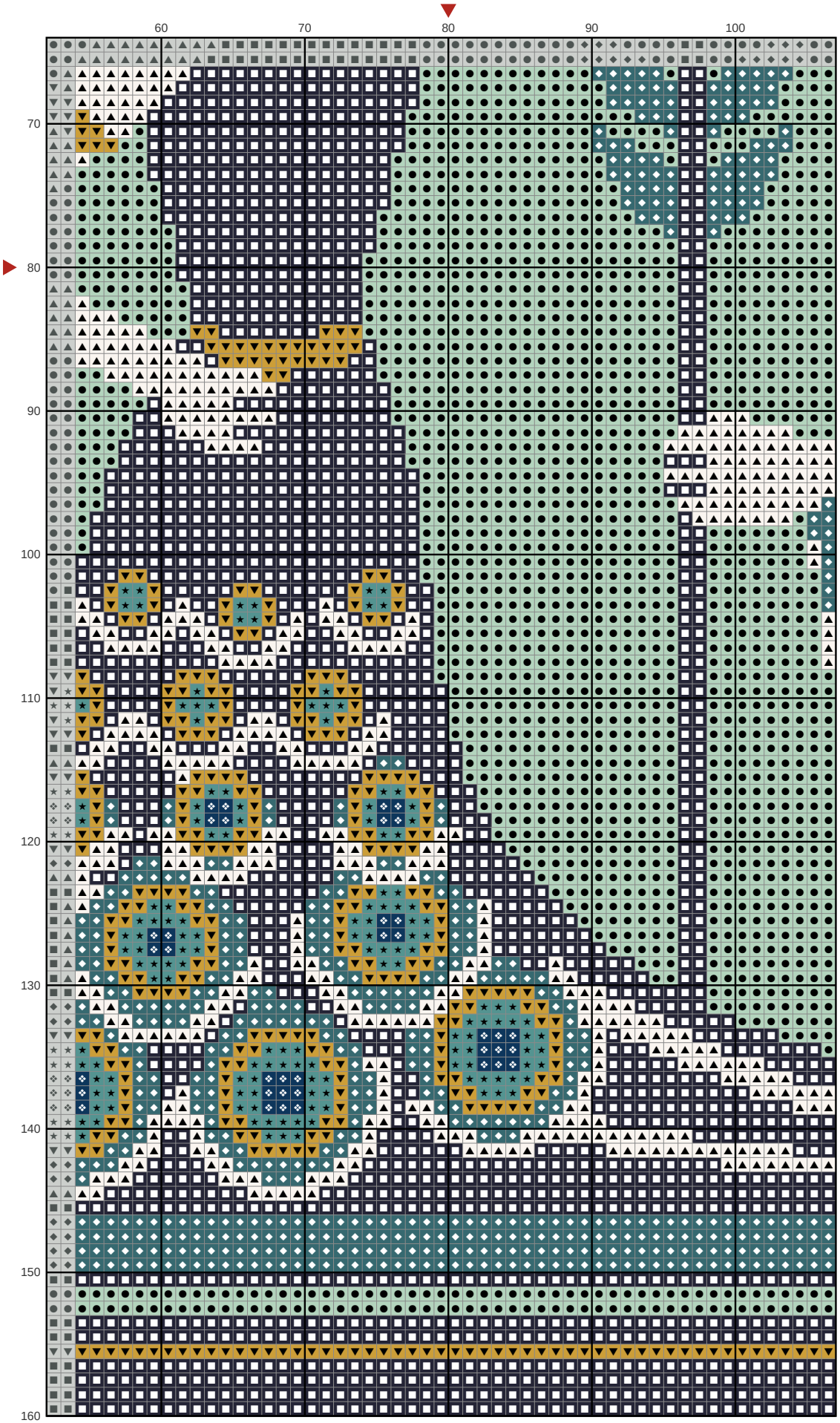

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Chart 5 of 5: columns 108 to 160, rows 67 to 160; gray squares repeat columns 106 and 107 and rows 65 and 66

