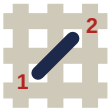
Vintage bird purse, golden pheasant

Needlepoint pattern | 182 x 156 stitches | 14 x 12 in (35.6 x 30.5 cm) on 13 mesh | 22 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 5, column 91, row 78 (DMC 934): 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 18.5 in wide x 16.5 in high (47 x 41.9 cm).

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

Thread: six-strand floss, 22 colors, about 54 skeins in all (an estimate). Stitch with 7 strands (8 if canvas shows).

Make it a bag: strong cloth for the back and the sides, a lining, and a bag frame or handles. Choose the frame first and stitch to its width.
How to finish a purse or clutch.

Thread list, DMC

			stitches	skeins
●	**310**	Black	14,871	23
■	**801**	Dark Coffee Brown	1,953	4
▲	**780**	Ultra Very Dark Topaz	1,650	3
◆	**936**	Very Dark Avocado Green	1,253	2
▼	**934**	Black Avocado Green	1,020	2
★	**830**	Dark Golden Olive	886	2
❖	**783**	Medium Topaz	742	2
X	**725**	Medium Light Topaz	691	2
H	**741**	Medium Tangerine	670	1
+	**437**	Light Tan	617	1
=	**815**	Medium Garnet	612	1
Z	**727**	Very Light Topaz	581	1
A	**939**	Very Dark Navy Blue	553	1
V	**321**	Red	521	1
T	**739**	Ultra Very Light Tan	339	1
N	**720**	Dark Orange Spice	310	1
S	**797**	Royal Blue	278	1
K	**666**	Bright Red	242	1
E	**470**	Light Avocado Green	199	1
C	**472**	Ultra Light Avocado Green	196	1
P	**701**	Light Green	159	1
U	**799**	Medium Delft Blue	49	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.

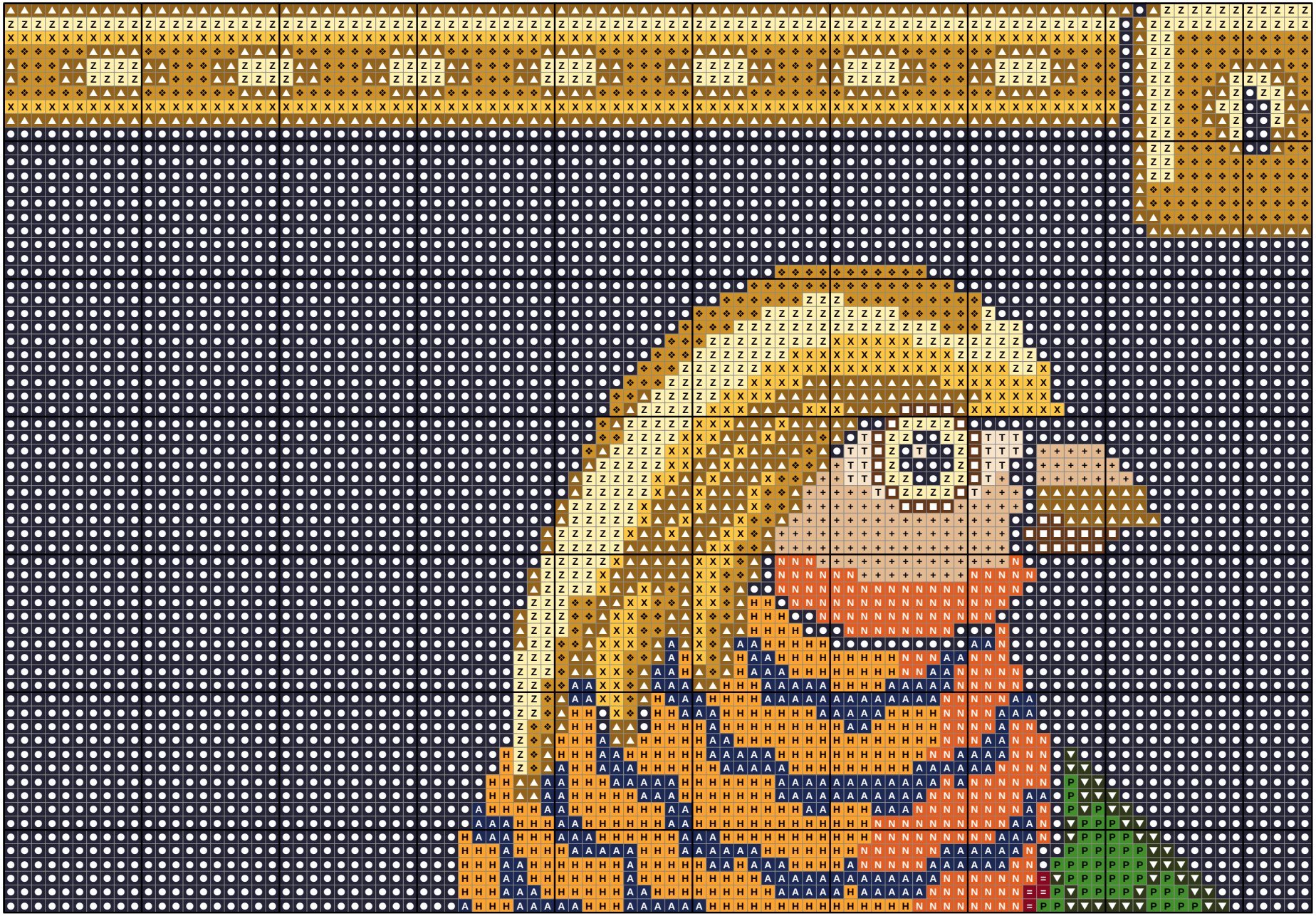
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Needlepoint pattern

Columns 1 to 95, rows 1 to 66

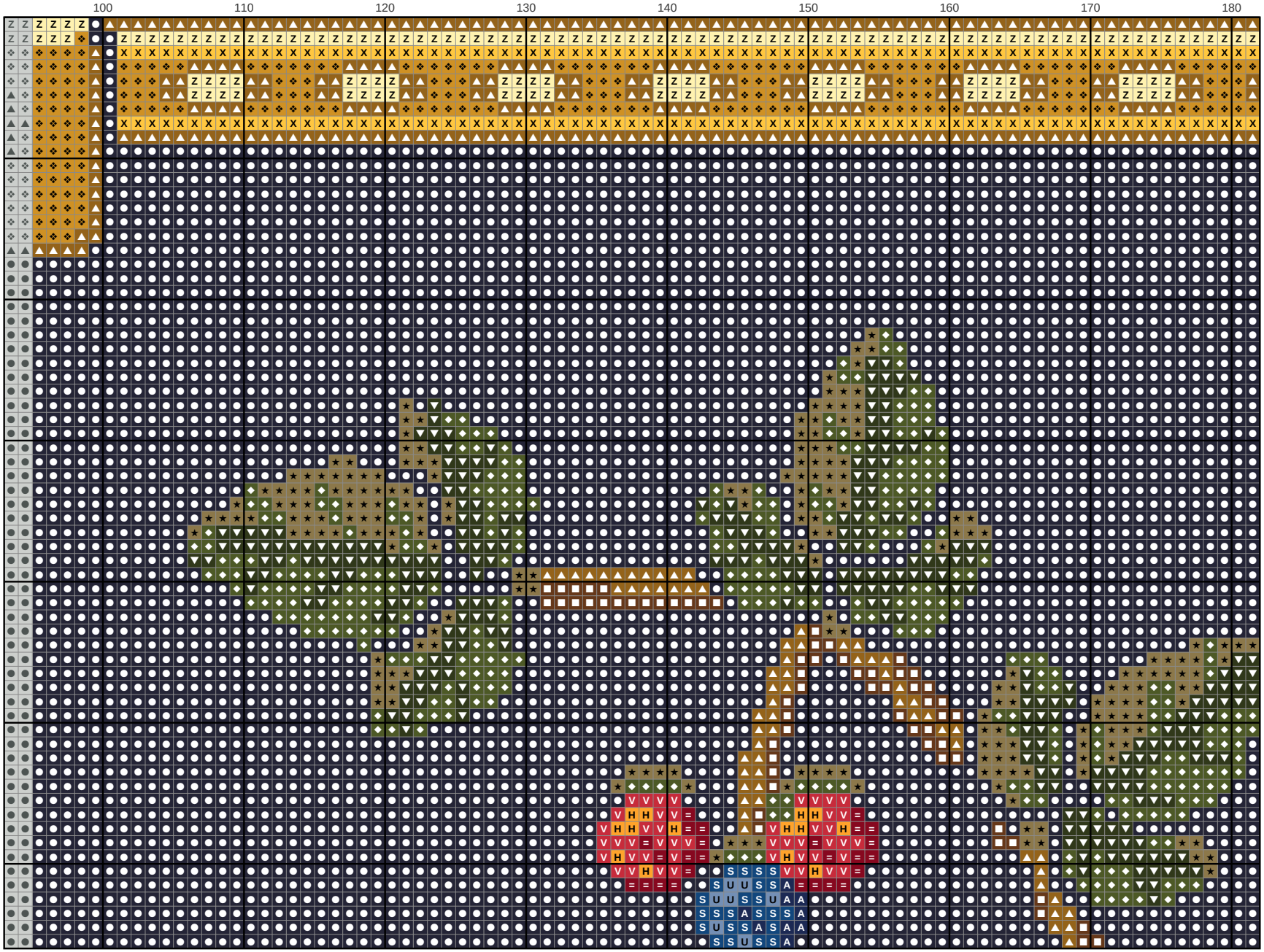
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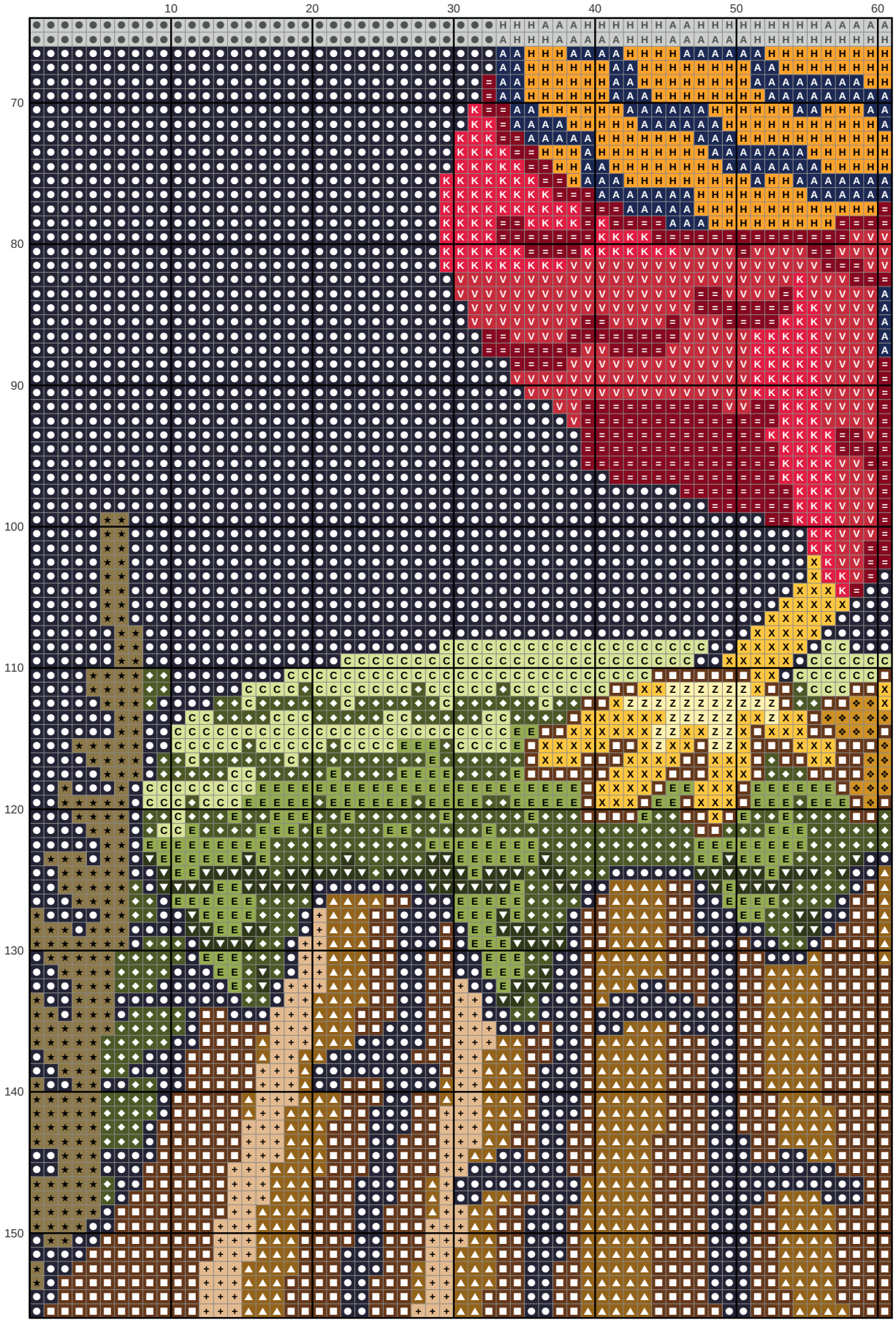
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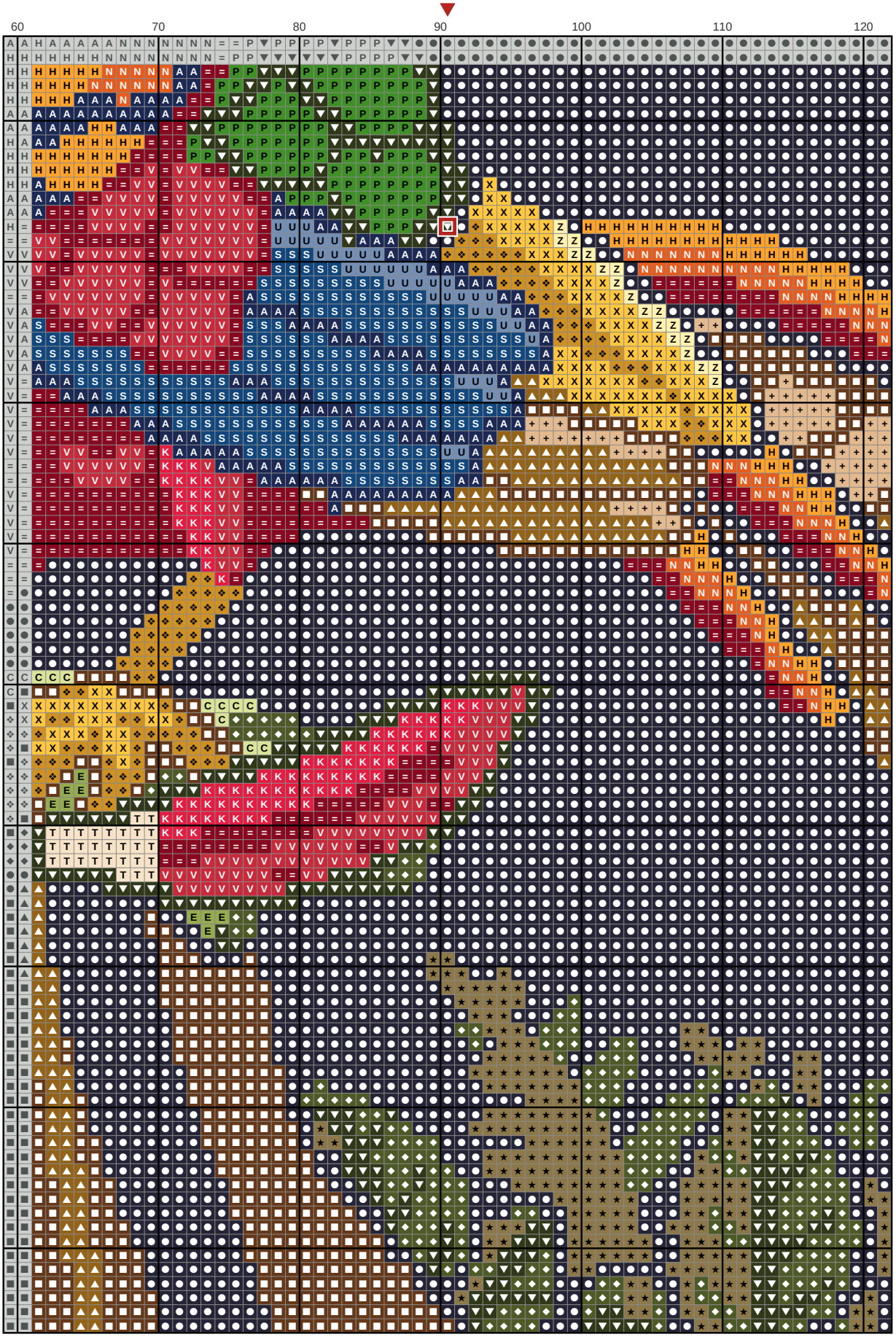
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Columns 62 to 122, rows 67 to 156. Start at the red outline. Gray squares: charted already, do not stitch again



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Columns 123 to 182, rows 67 to 156. Gray squares: charted already, do not stitch again

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