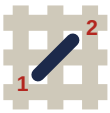
Too much of a good thing, peonies

Needlepoint pattern | 168 x 167 stitches | 16.8 x 16.7 in (42.7 x 42.4 cm) on 10 mesh | 24 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 84, row 84 (DMC 310): 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 in DMC 310: 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, 10 mesh (10 threads to the inch), cut 21.5 in square (54.6 cm).

Needle: blunt tapestry, size 18. Also masking tape for the cut edges, and small scissors.

Thread: pearl cotton size 3, 24 colors, about 55 skeins in all (an estimate). Stitch with 2 lengths together.

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
●	**310**	Black	14,235	24
■	**743**	Medium Yellow	1,382	3
▲	**224**	Very Light Shell Pink	1,028	2
◆	**502**	Blue Green	789	2
▼	**772**	Very Light Yellow Green	760	2
★	**3346**	Hunter Green	709	2
❖	**3685**	Very Dark Mauve	704	2
X	**225**	Ultra Very Light Shell Pink	700	2
H	**350**	Medium Coral	645	1
+	**3731**	Very Dark Dusty Rose	606	1
=	**3350**	Ultra Dark Dusty Rose	601	1
Z	**3733**	Dusty Rose	597	1
A	**3722**	Medium Shell Pink	593	1
V	**501**	Dark Blue Green	574	1
T	**3747**	Very Light Blue Violet	566	1
N	**817**	Very Dark Coral Red	540	1
S	**340**	Medium Blue Violet	511	1
K	**500**	Very Dark Blue Green	510	1
E	**471**	Very Light Avocado Green	447	1
C	**3865**	Winter White	413	1
P	**939**	Very Dark Navy Blue	403	1
U	**352**	Light Coral	384	1
L	**3746**	Dark Blue Violet	202	1
2	**783**	Medium Topaz	157	1

Skeins are estimates, with the two extra rows: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 10 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.

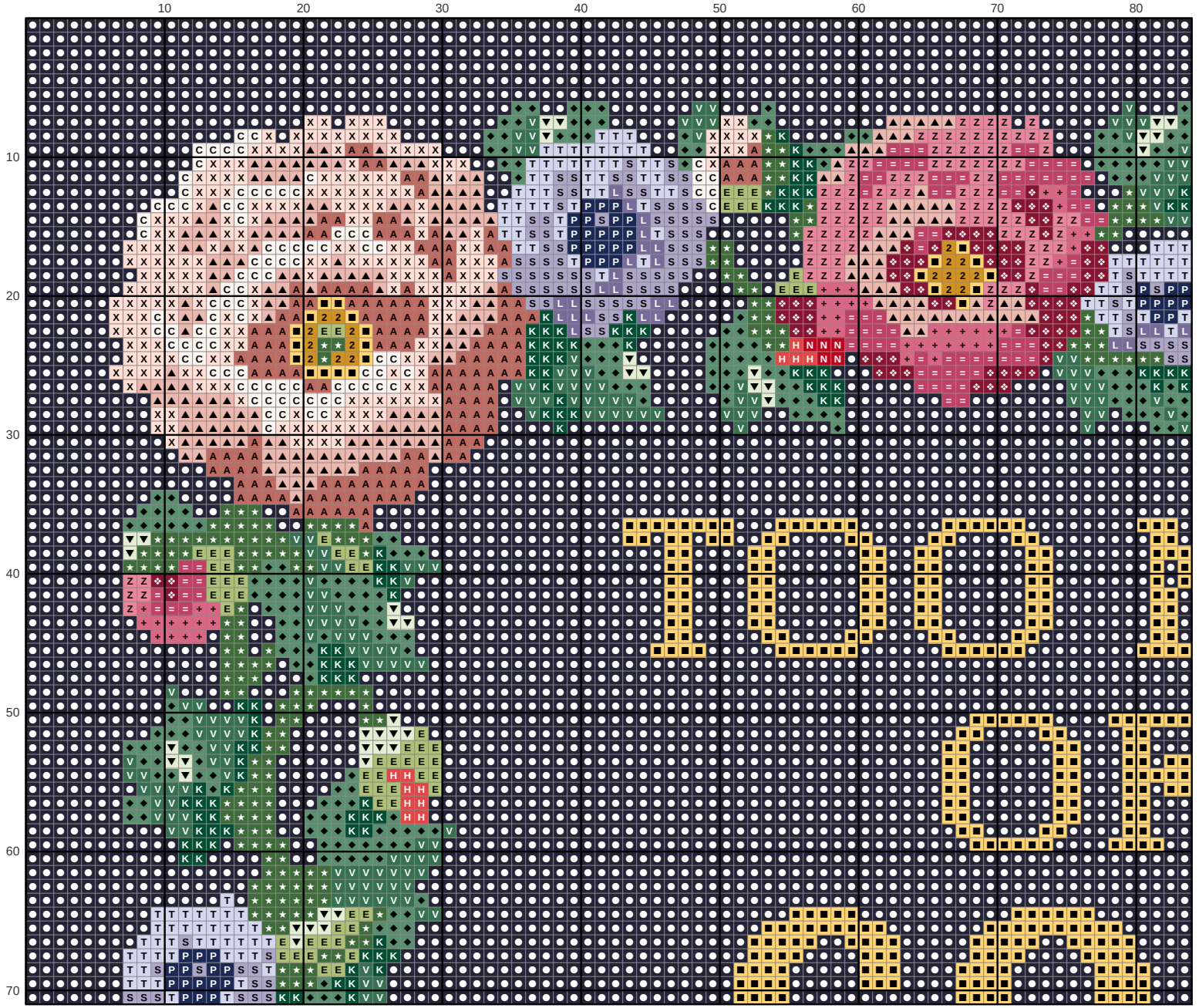
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Needlepoint pattern

Columns 1 to 84, rows 1 to 71

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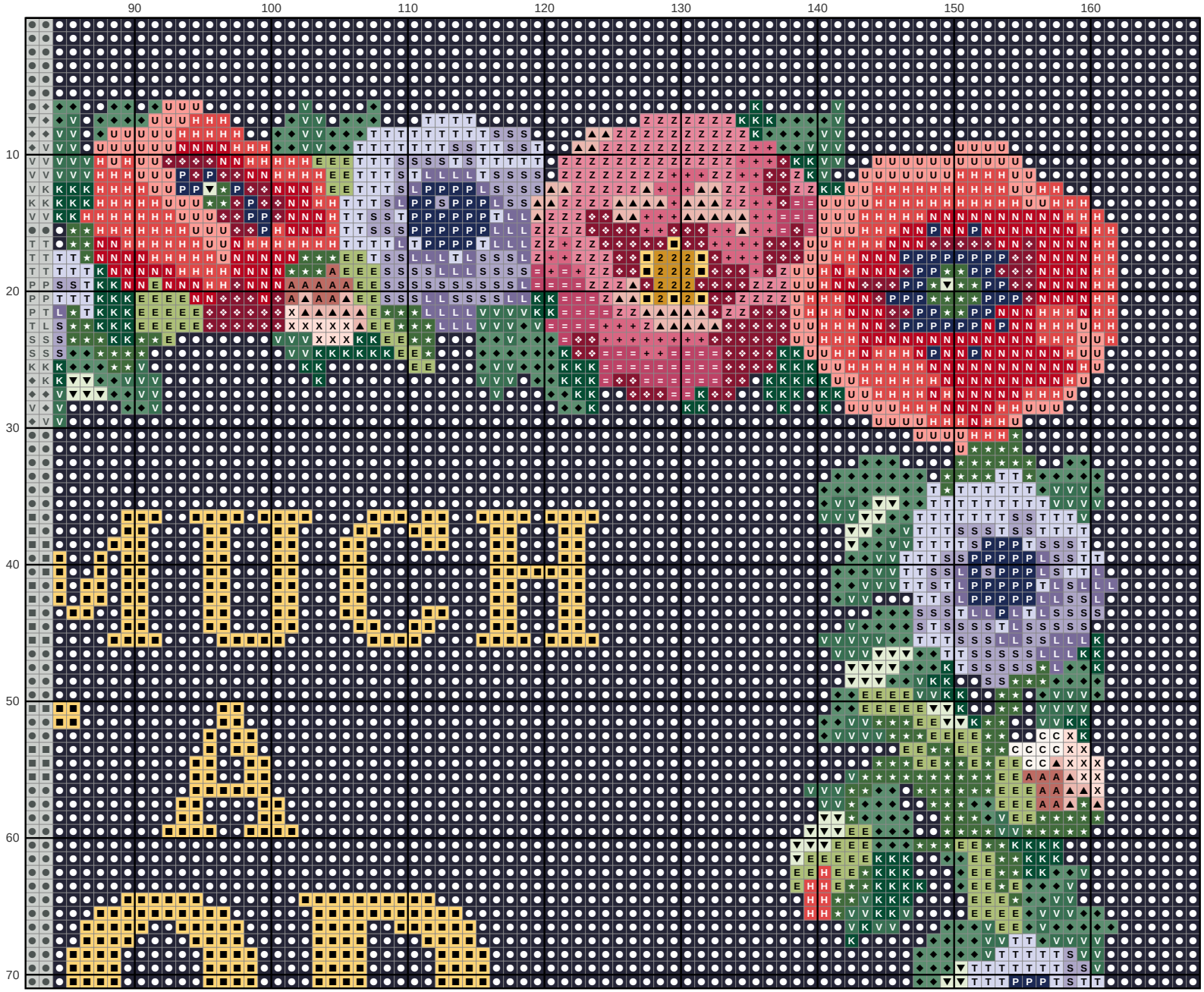
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- DMC 3733 Dusty Rose
- DMC 3722 Medium Shell Pink
- DMC 501 Dark Blue Green
- DMC 3747
- DMC 817
- DMC 340 Medium Blue Violet
- DMC 500
- DMC 471
- DMC 3865 Winter White
- DMC 939
- DMC 3746 Dark Blue Violet
- DMC 783 Medium Topaz

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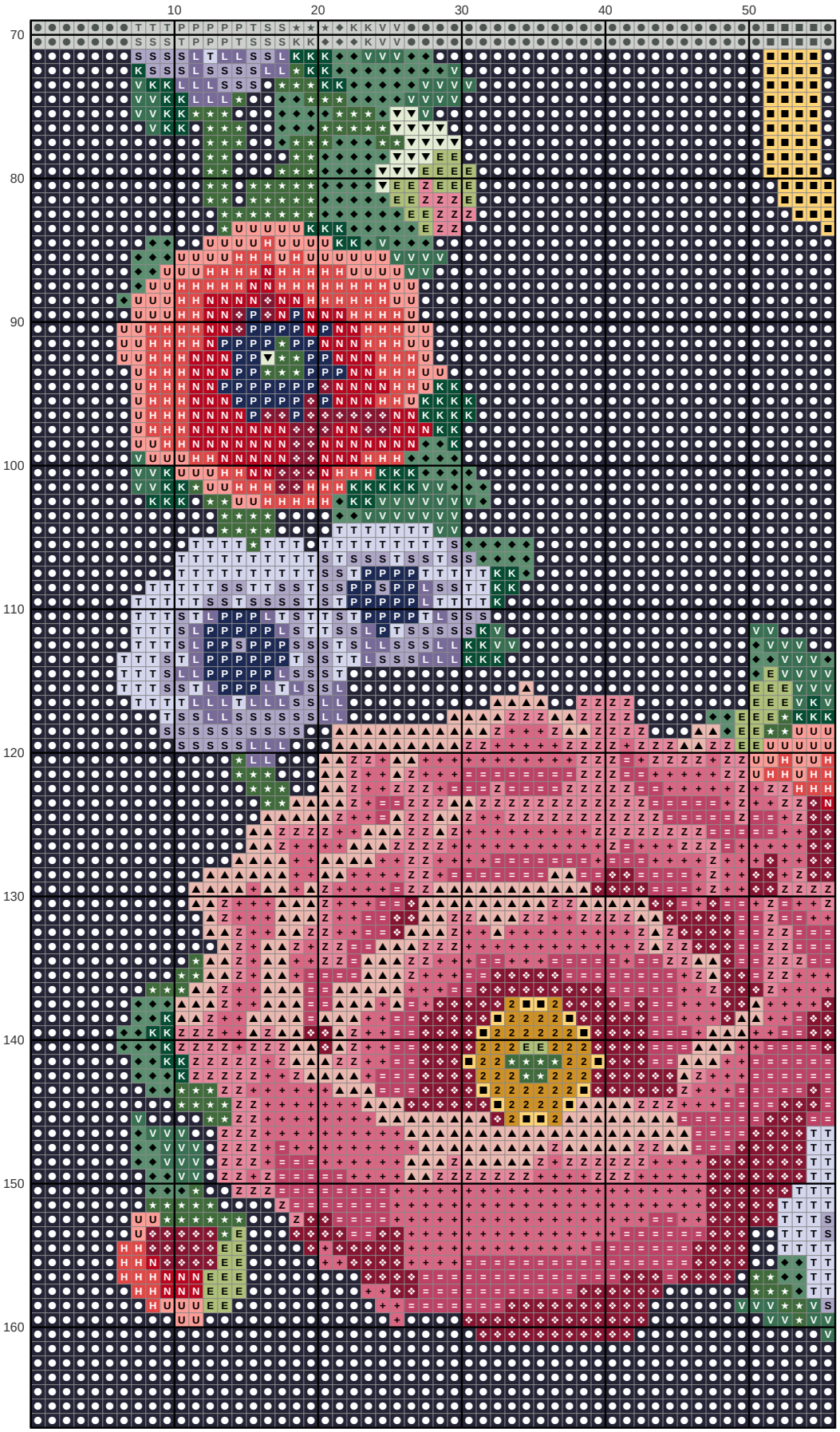
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- DMC 939
- DMC 352 Light Coral
- DMC 3746
- DMC 783 Medium Topaz

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Columns 1 to 56, rows 72 to 167. Gray squares: charted already, do not stitch again

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- **DMC 772** Very Light Yellow Green
- **DMC 3346** Hunter Green
- **DMC 3685** Very Dark Mauve
- **H** **DMC 350** Medium Coral
- **+** **DMC 3731** Very Dark Dusty Rose
- **=** **DMC 3350** Ultra Dark Dusty Rose
- **Z** **DMC 3733** Dusty Rose
- **V** **DMC 501** Dark Blue Green
- **T** **DMC 3747** Very Light Blue Violet
- **N** **DMC 817** Very Dark Coral Red
- **S** **DMC 340** Medium Blue Violet
- **K** **DMC 500** Very Dark Blue Green
- **E** **DMC 471** Very Light Avocado Green
- **P** **DMC 939** Very Dark Navy Blue
- **U** **DMC 352** Light Coral
- **L** **DMC 3746** Dark Blue Violet
- **2** **DMC 783** Medium Topaz

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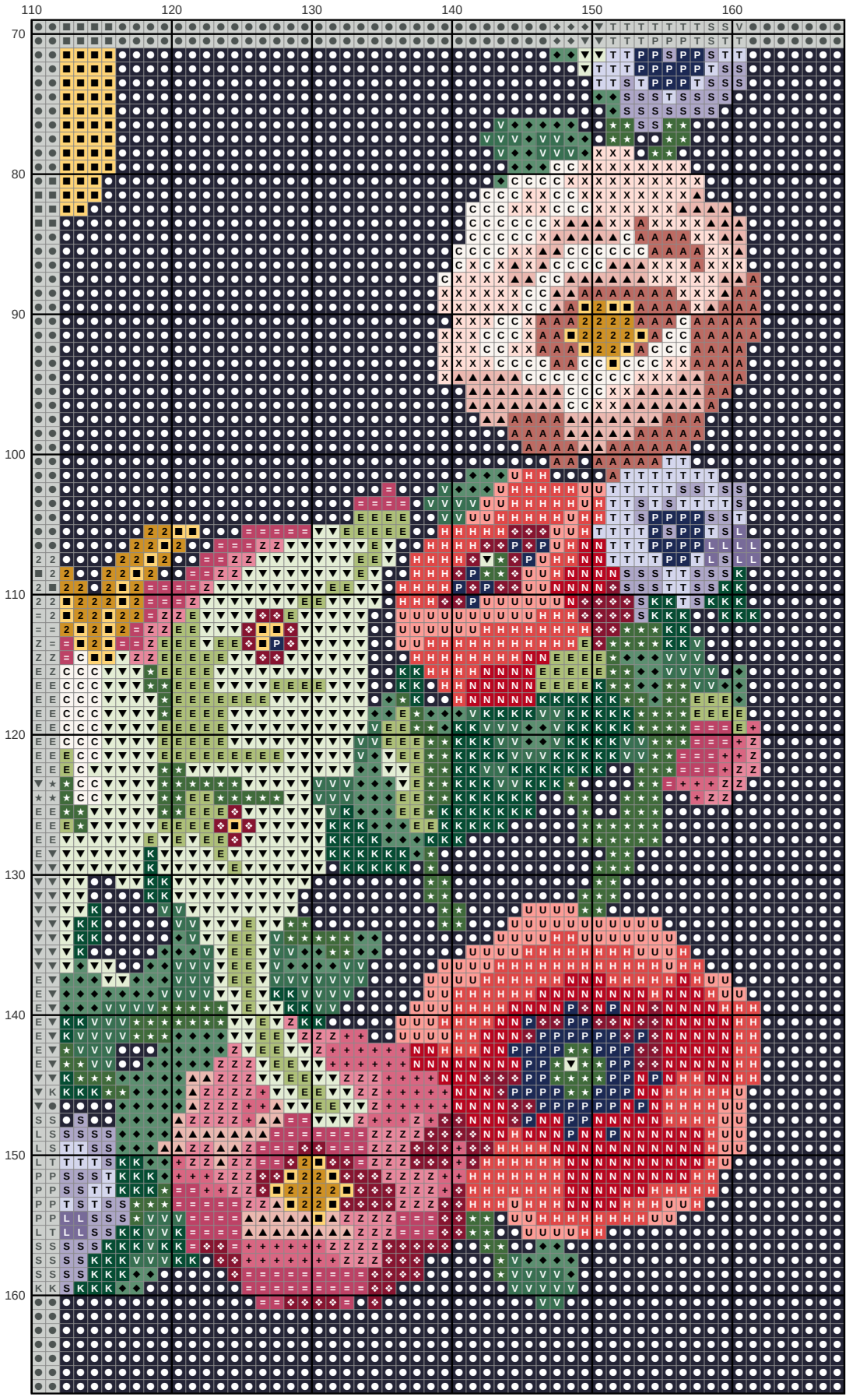
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