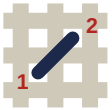
Classic December birth flower: holly

Needlepoint pattern | 140 x 140 stitches | 14 x 14 in (35.6 x 35.6 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 2, column 70, row 70 (DMC 433): 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 815: 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 18.5 in square (47 cm).

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

Thread: pearl cotton size 3, 24 colors, about 48 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
●	3822	Light Straw	7,733	12
■	815	Medium Garnet	2,944	7
▲	319	Very Dark Pistachio Green	2,053	4
◆	890	Ultra Dark Pistachio Green	1,451	3
▼	701	Light Green	911	2
★	703	Chartreuse	672	2
❖	321	Red	607	1
X	BLANC	White	603	1
H	369	Very Light Pistachio Green	527	1
+	814	Dark Garnet	297	1
=	762	Very Light Pearl Gray	286	1
Z	336	Navy Blue	238	1
A	800	Pale Delft Blue	179	1
V	3801	Very Dark Melon	161	1
T	799	Medium Delft Blue	142	1
N	472	Ultra Light Avocado Green	138	1
S	3706	Medium Melon	114	1
K	433	Medium Brown	112	1
E	3031	Very Dark Mocha Brown	94	1
C	498	Dark Red	91	1
P	3042	Light Antique Violet	86	1
U	798	Dark Delft Blue	71	1
L	743	Medium Yellow	48	1
2	435	Very Light Brown	42	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.

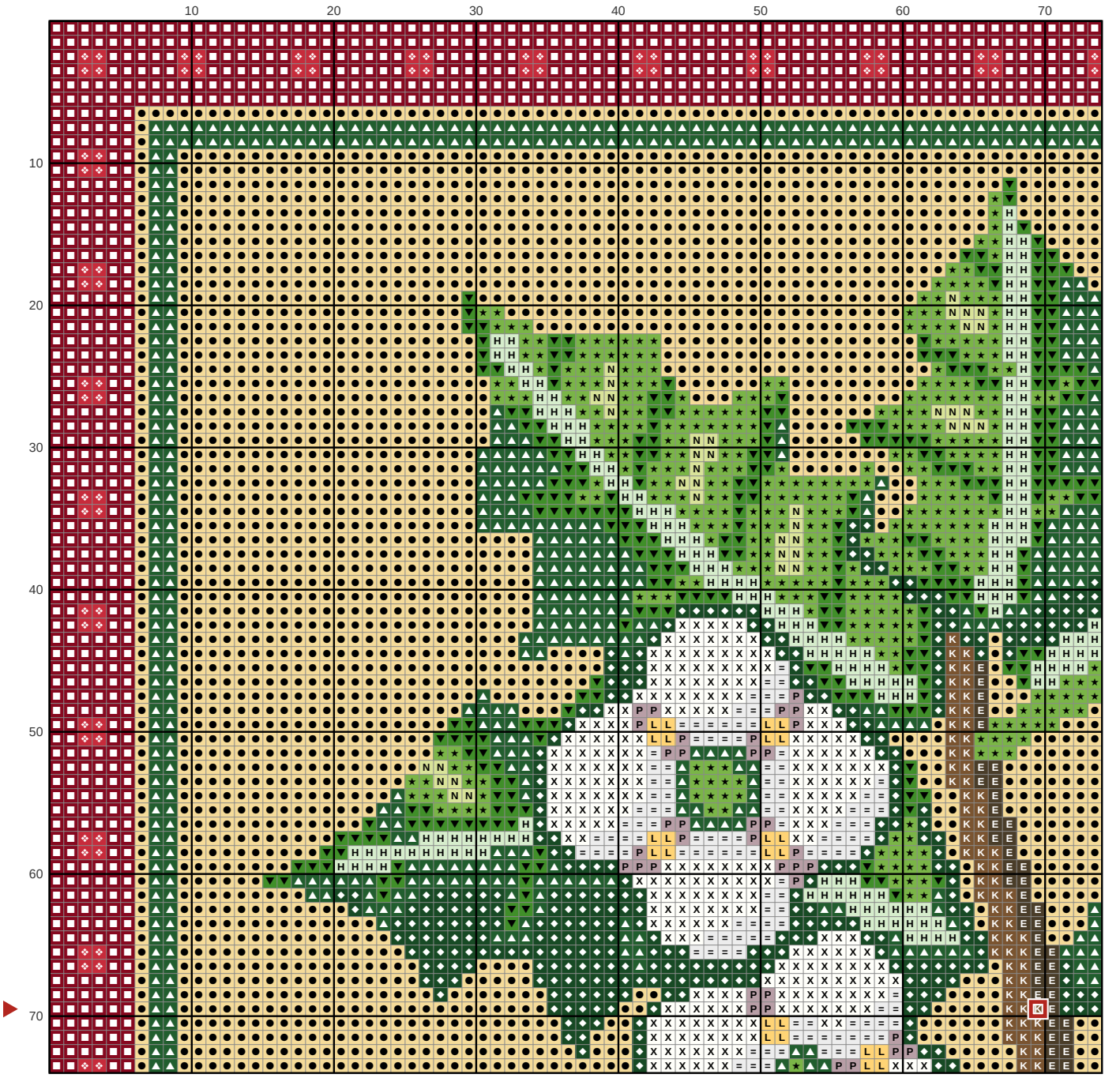
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Needlepoint pattern

Columns 1 to 74, rows 1 to 74. Start at the red outline

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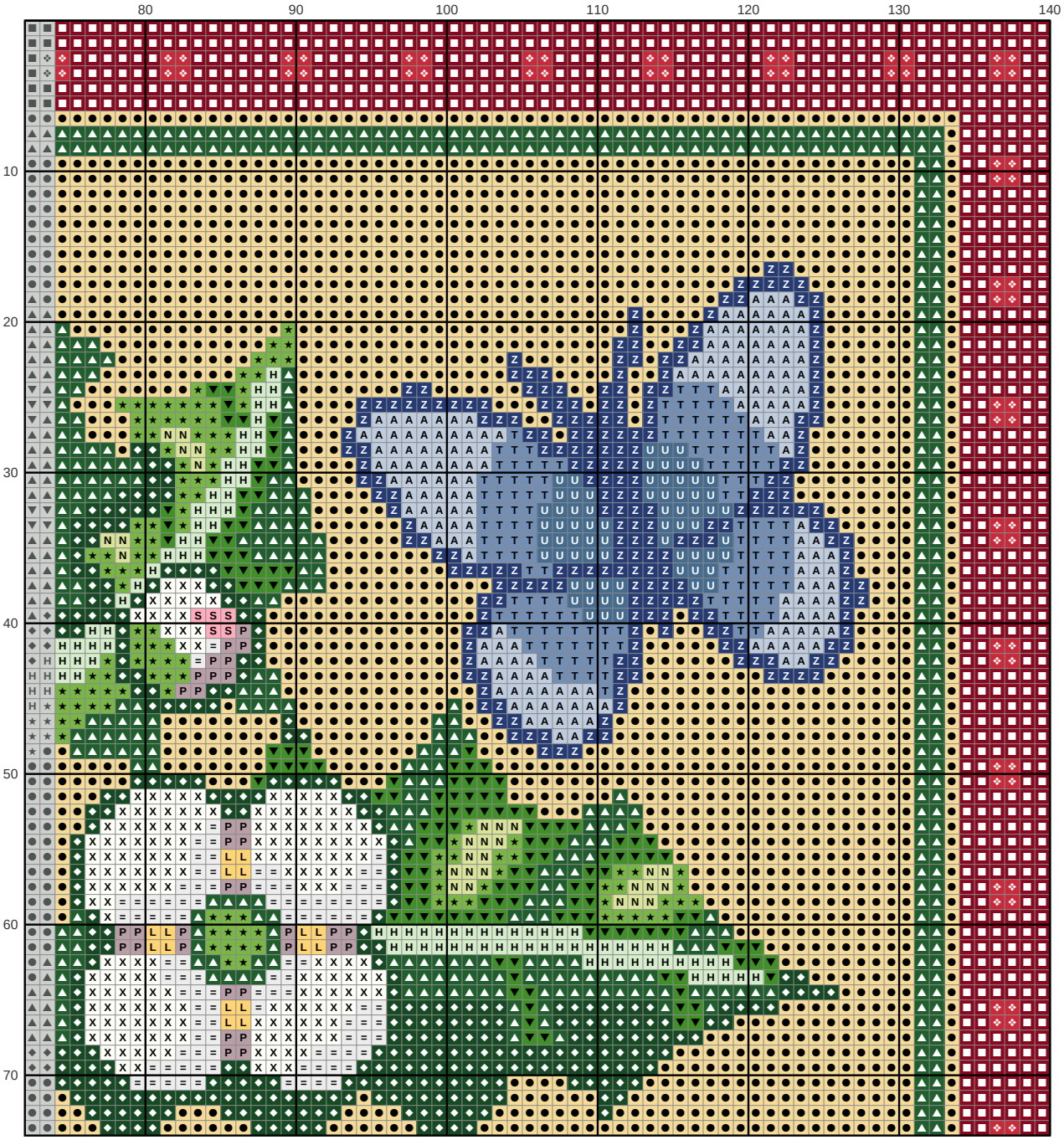
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- ◆ **DMC 890** Ultra Dark Pistachio Green
- ▼ **DMC 701** Light Green
- ★ **DMC 703** Chartreuse
- ❖ **DMC 321** Red
- X **DMC BLANC** White
- H **DMC 369** Very Light Pistachio Green
- = **DMC 762** Very Light Pearl Gray
- N **DMC 472** Ultra Light Avocado Green
- K **DMC 433** Medium Brown
- E **DMC 3031** Very Dark Mocha Brown
- P **DMC 3042** Light Antique Violet
- L **DMC 743** Medium Yellow

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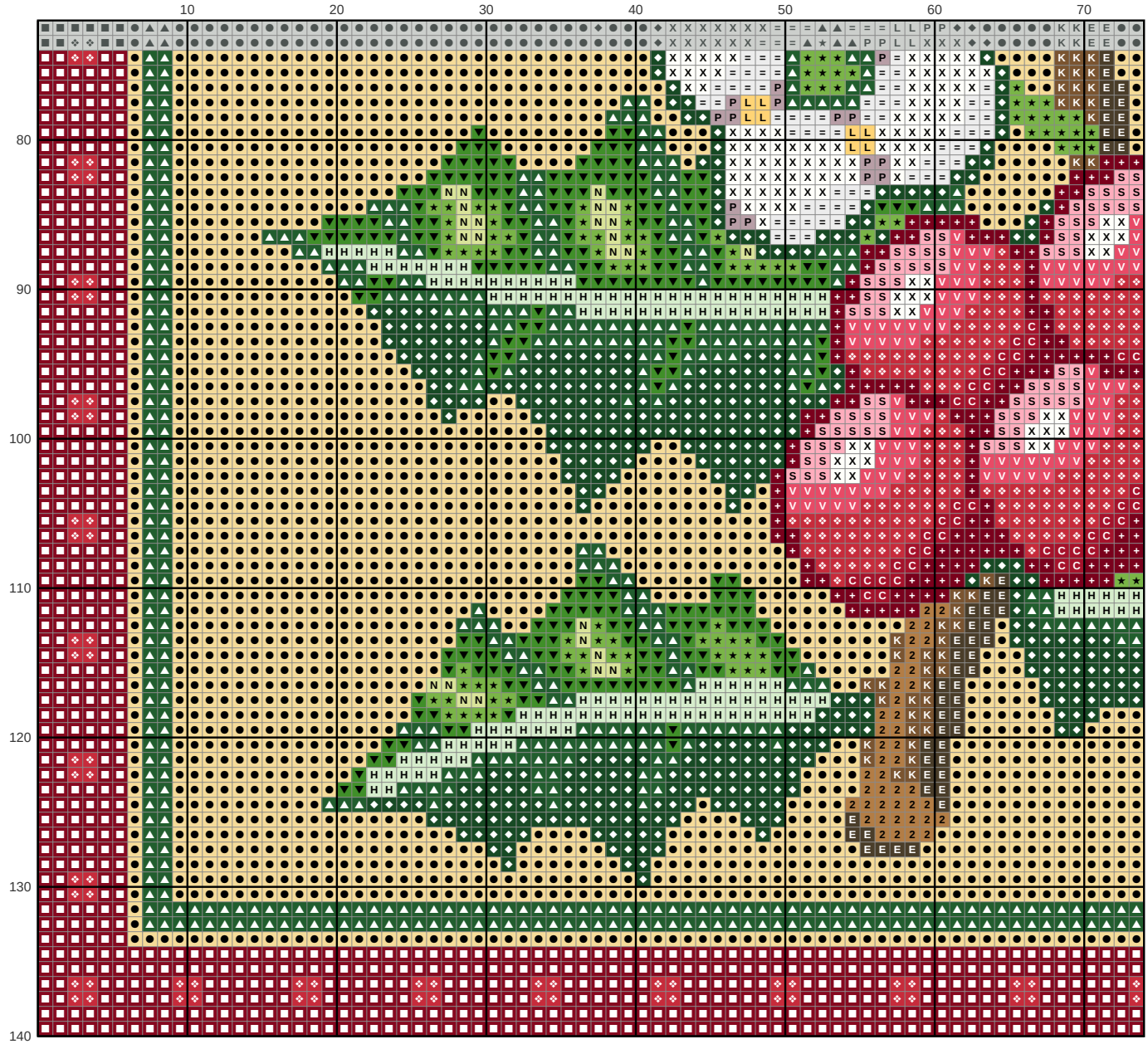
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▲ **DMC 319** Very Dark Pistachio Green	H **DMC 369** Very Light Pistachio Green	S **DMC 3706** Medium Melon
◆ **DMC 890** Ultra Dark Pistachio Green	= **DMC 762** Very Light Pearl Gray	P **DMC 3042** Light Antique Violet
▼ **DMC 701** Light Green	Z **DMC 336** Navy Blue	U **DMC 798** Dark Delft Blue
★ **DMC 703** Chartreuse	A **DMC 800** Pale Delft Blue	L **DMC 743** Medium Yellow

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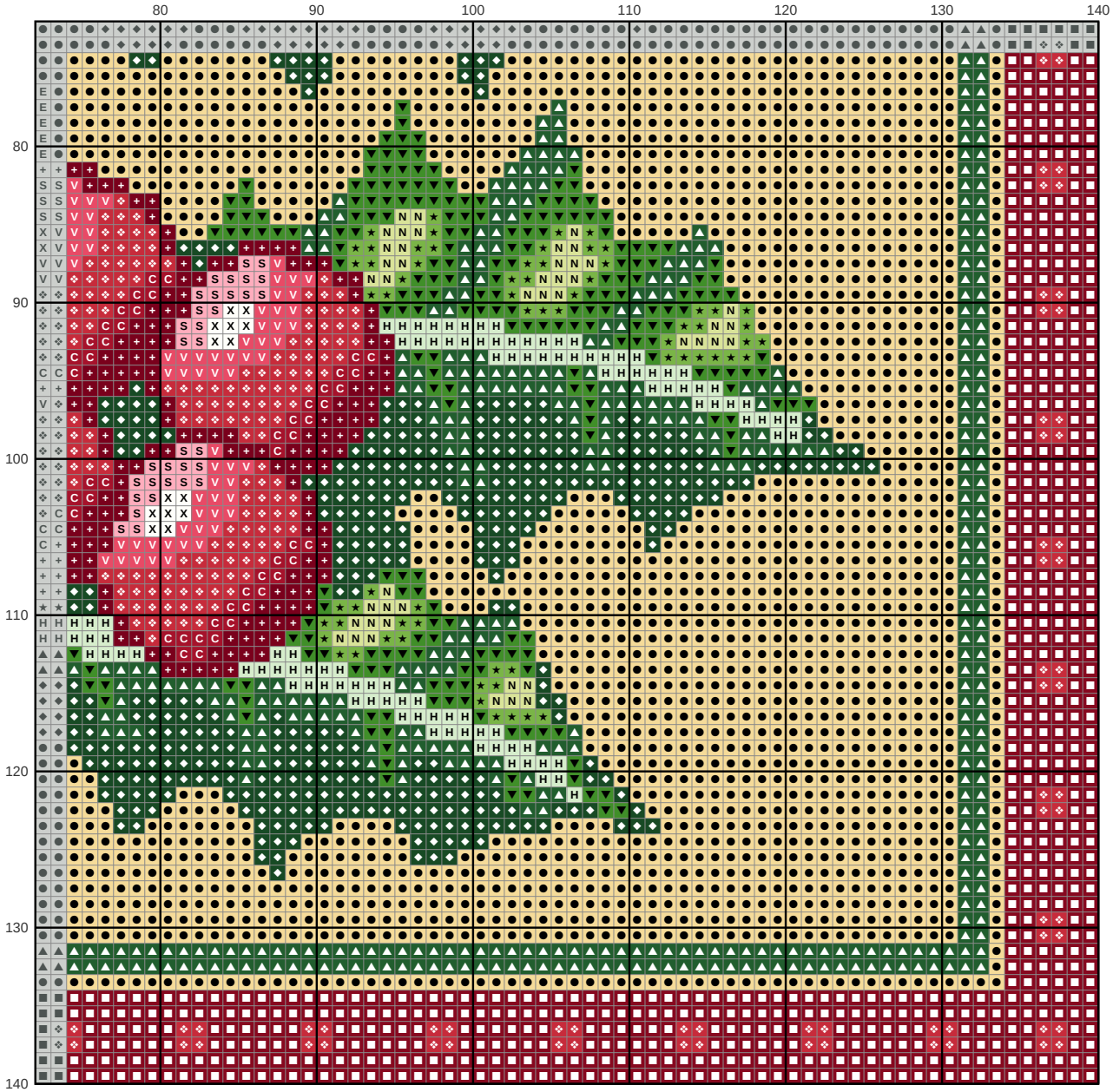
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- = **DMC 762** Very Light Pearl Gray
- V **DMC 3801** Very Dark Melon
- N **DMC 472** Ultra Light Avocado Green
- S **DMC 3706** Medium Melon
- K **DMC 433** Medium Brown
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