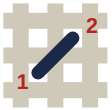
Classic donkey piñata in a courtyard

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 3844): 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, 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 44 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
●	**758**	Very Light Terra Cotta	2,527	5
■	**3371**	Black Brown	2,283	4
▲	**3830**	Terra Cotta	1,980	4
◆	**355**	Dark Terra Cotta	1,679	3
▼	**895**	Very Dark Hunter Green	1,249	3
★	**209**	Dark Lavender	918	2
❖	**3778**	Light Terra Cotta	853	2
X	**718**	Plum	777	2
H	**915**	Dark Plum	740	2
+	**801**	Dark Coffee Brown	691	2
=	**208**	Very Dark Lavender	628	2
Z	**702**	Kelly Green	612	1
A	**3842**	Very Dark Wedgwood	529	1
V	**211**	Light Lavender	521	1
T	**3844**	Dark Bright Turquoise	521	1
N	**712**	Cream	489	1
S	**321**	Red	462	1
K	**970**	Light Pumpkin	462	1
E	**3772**	Very Dark Desert Sand	403	1
C	**725**	Medium Light Topaz	371	1
P	**422**	Light Hazelnut Brown	293	1
U	**3608**	Very Light Plum	257	1
L	**739**	Ultra Very Light Tan	193	1
2	**920**	Medium Copper	162	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.

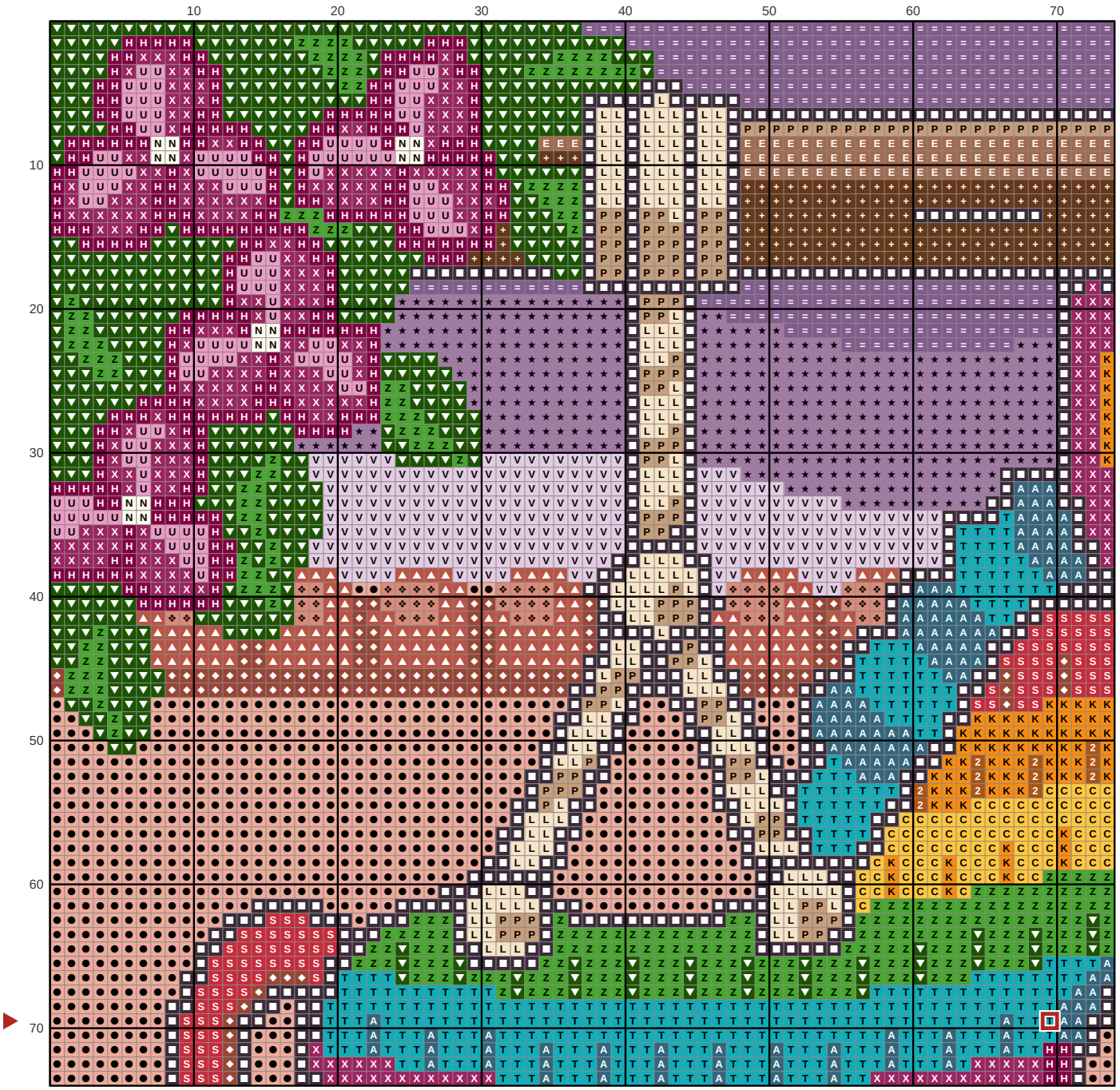
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Classic donkey piñata in a courtyard

Needlepoint pattern

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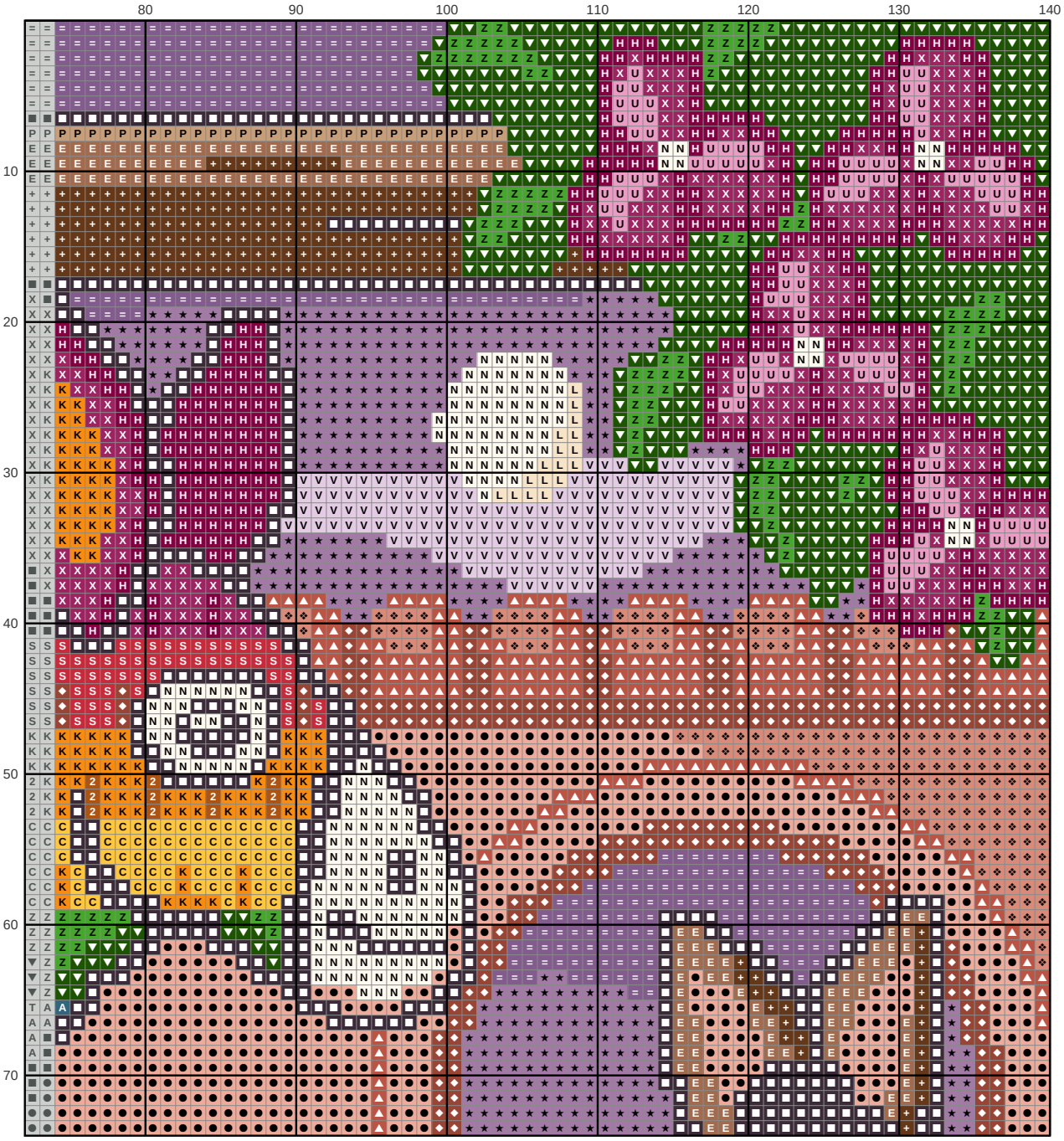
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■ **DMC 3371** Black Brown	+ **DMC 801** Dark Coffee Brown	K **DMC 970** Light Pumpkin
▲ **DMC 3830** Terra Cotta	= **DMC 208** Very Dark Lavender	E **DMC 3772** Very Dark Desert Sand
◆ **DMC 355** Dark Terra Cotta	Z **DMC 702** Kelly Green	C **DMC 725** Medium Light Topaz
▼ **DMC 895** Very Dark Hunter Green	A **DMC 3842** Very Dark Wedgwood	P **DMC 422** Light Hazelnut Brown
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❖ **DMC 3778** Light Terra Cotta	T **DMC 3844** Dark Bright Turquoise	L **DMC 739** Ultra Very Light Tan
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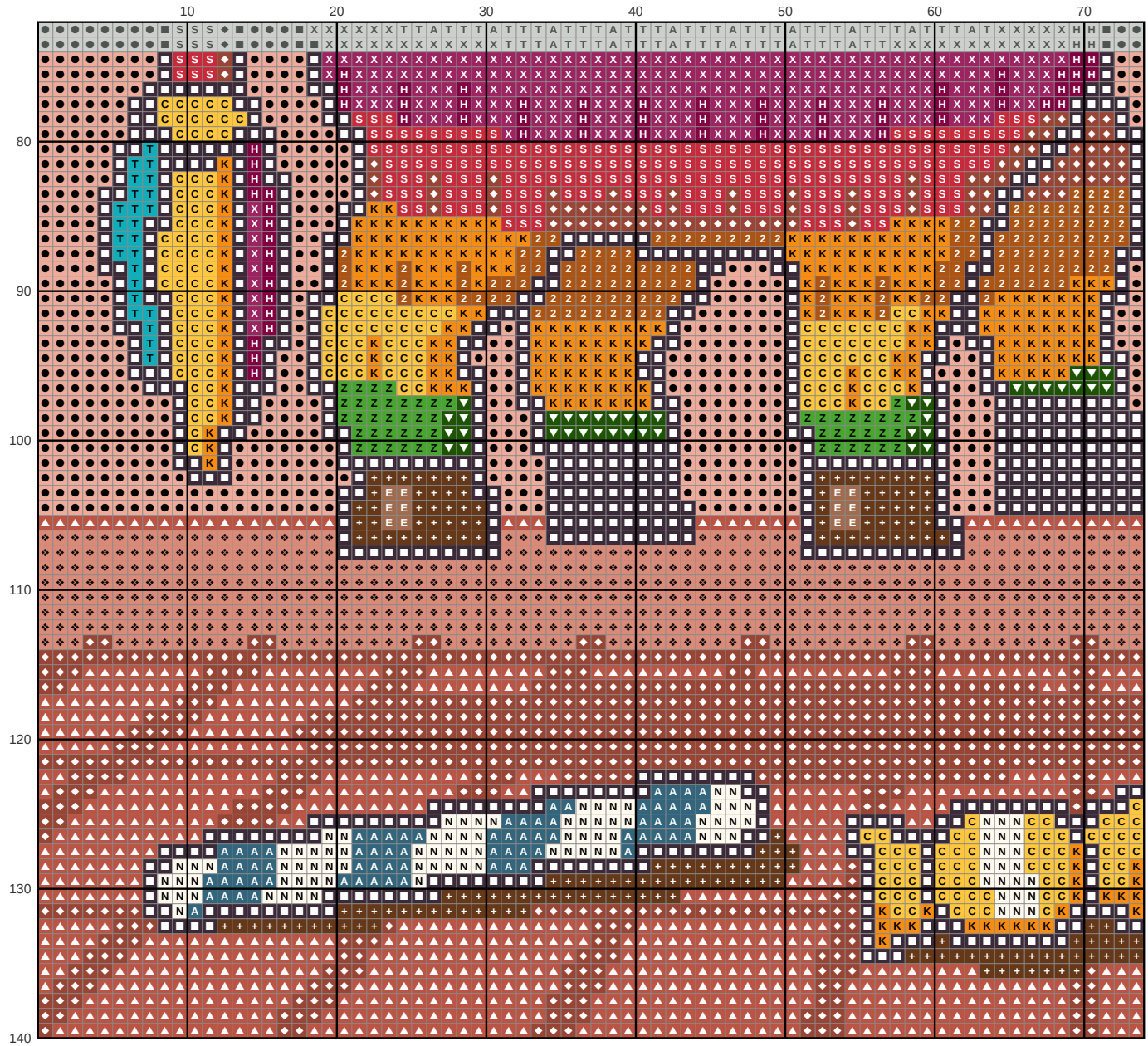
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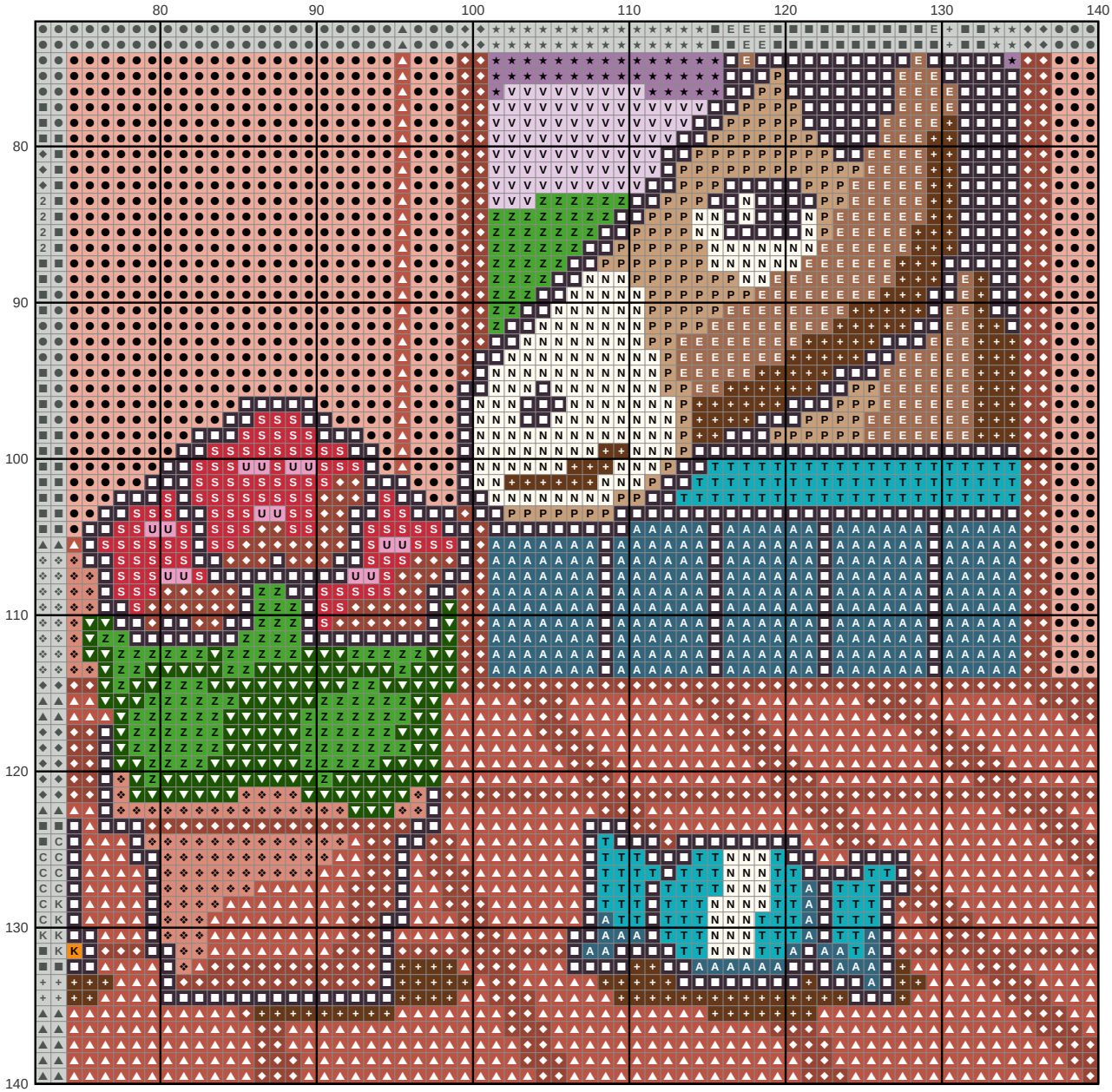
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