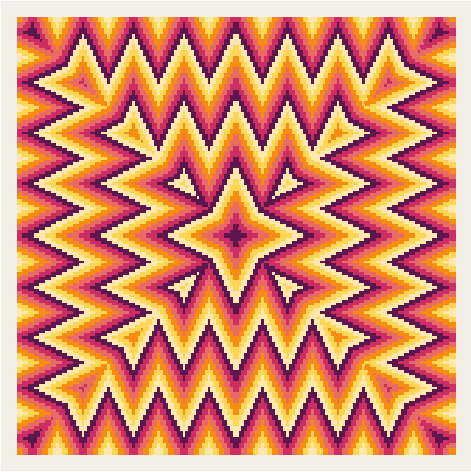
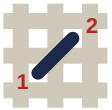
Geometric starburst bargello pillow

Needlepoint pattern | 156 x 156 canvas threads | 12 x 12 in (30.5 x 30.5 cm) on 13 mesh | 6 colors



How to stitch it



1. Each bar is one straight stitch over 4 canvas threads: up at 1, down at 2. A shorter bar is a shorter stitch.
2. Cut 18 in of thread. Start and end it without a knot left behind.
3. Mark the middle of the canvas. Start there with the round that has the heavy outline, and work outward.
4. A lighter line stands every ten squares. In the side quarters a row is a line of holes. Gray squares are on two pages: stitch them once.
5. Last, two rows of tent stitch all round in DMC 351: the seam hides them.

The center is a hole, with 78 canvas threads on each side of it. Work the round with the heavy outline first: 12 stitches in DMC 550, over 1 to 4 threads. Then work outward, a round at a time.

What you need

Canvas: blank mono canvas, 13 mesh (13 threads to the inch), cut 16.5 in square (41.9 cm).

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

Thread: pearl cotton size 3, 6 colors, about 13 skeins in all (an estimate). Stitch with 1 length.

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.

First time? What is bargello: flossfield.com/needlepoint/guides/what-is-bargello/#how-to-begin

Thread list

			squares	skeins of pearl
□	**DMC 600**	Very Dark Cranberry	4,316	2
▲	**DMC 351**	Coral	4,228	3
◆	**DMC 970**	Light Pumpkin	4,080	2
●	**DMC 550**	Very Dark Violet	3,968	2
▼	**DMC 726**	Light Topaz	3,936	2
★	**DMC 745**	Light Pale Yellow	3,808	2

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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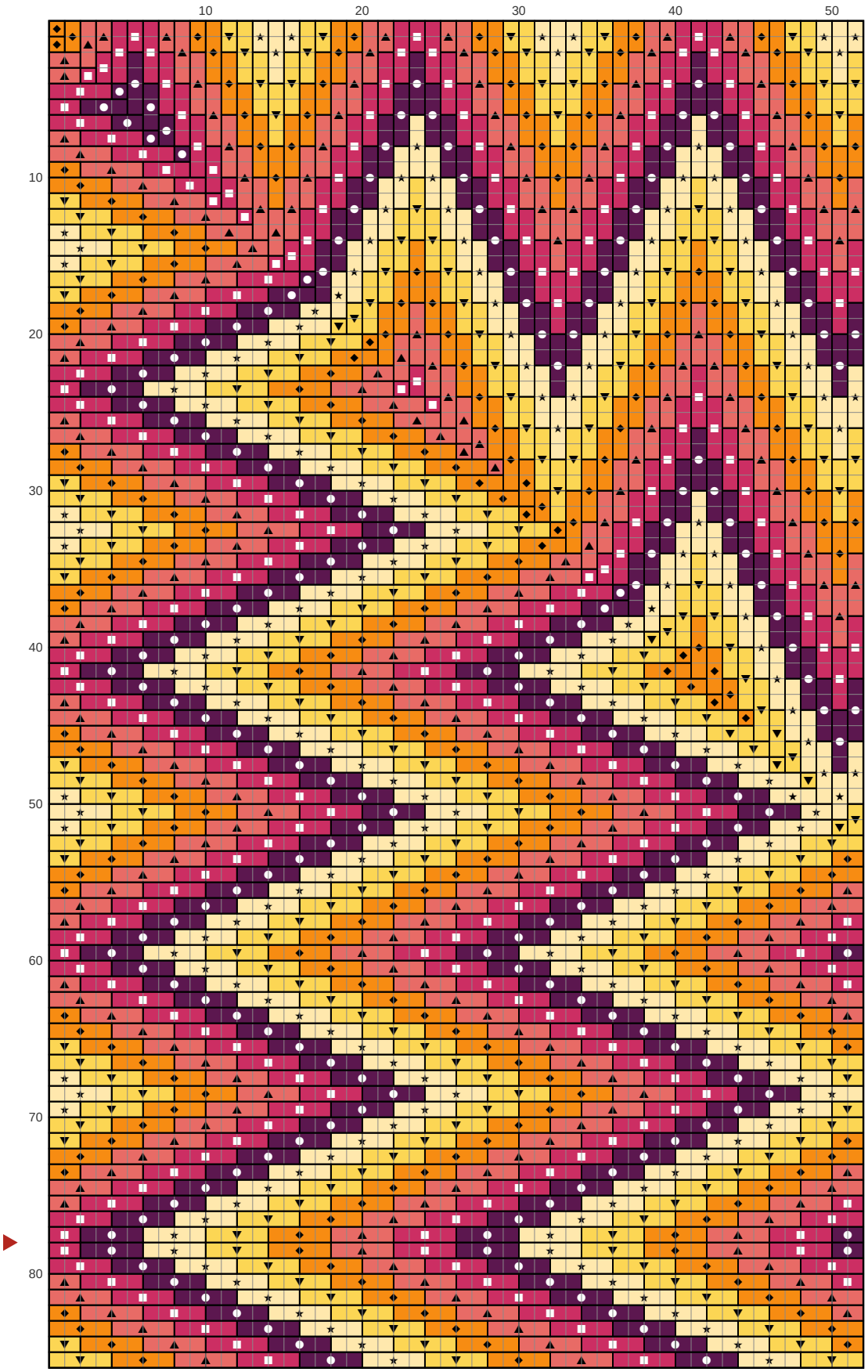

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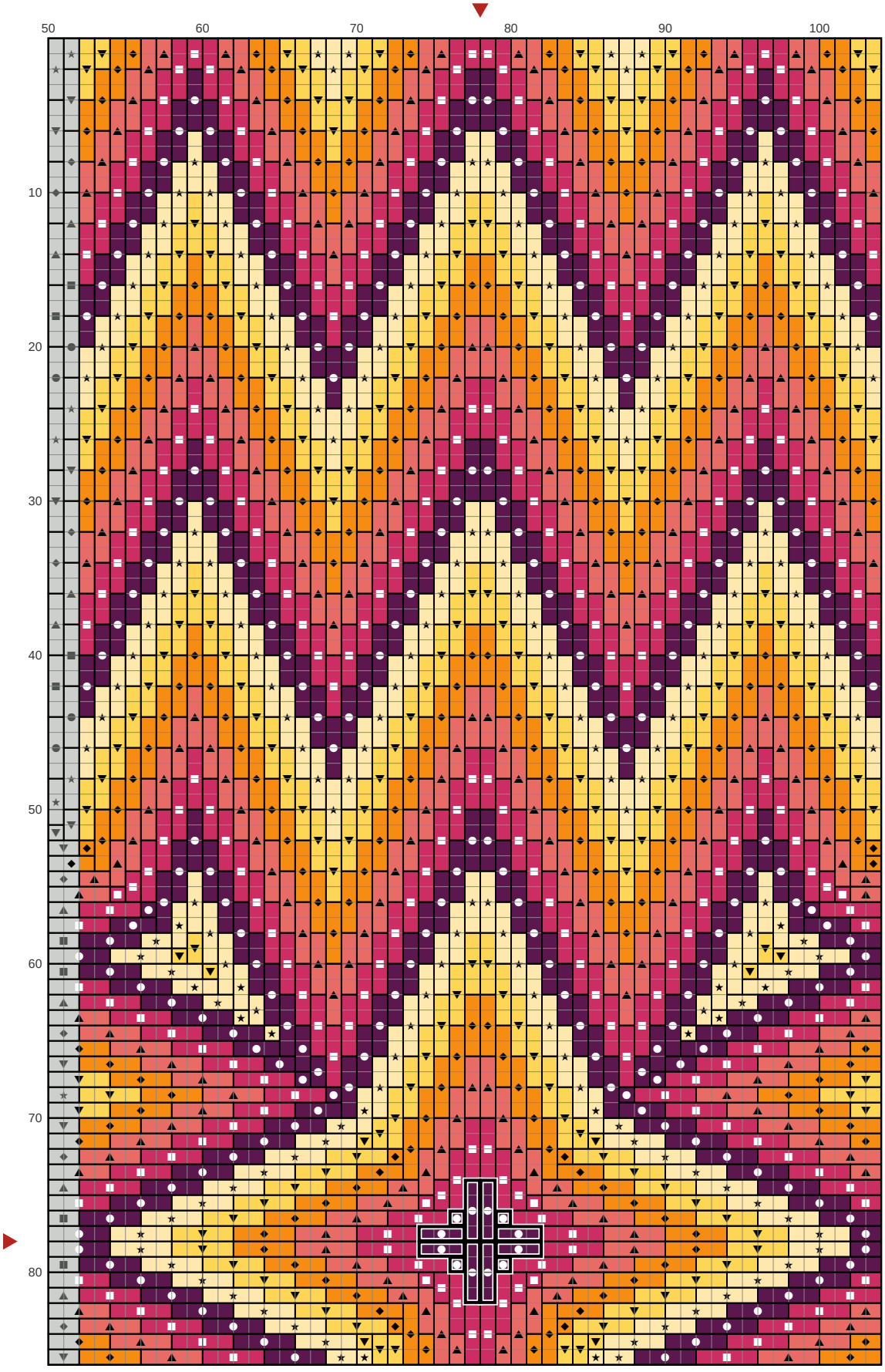

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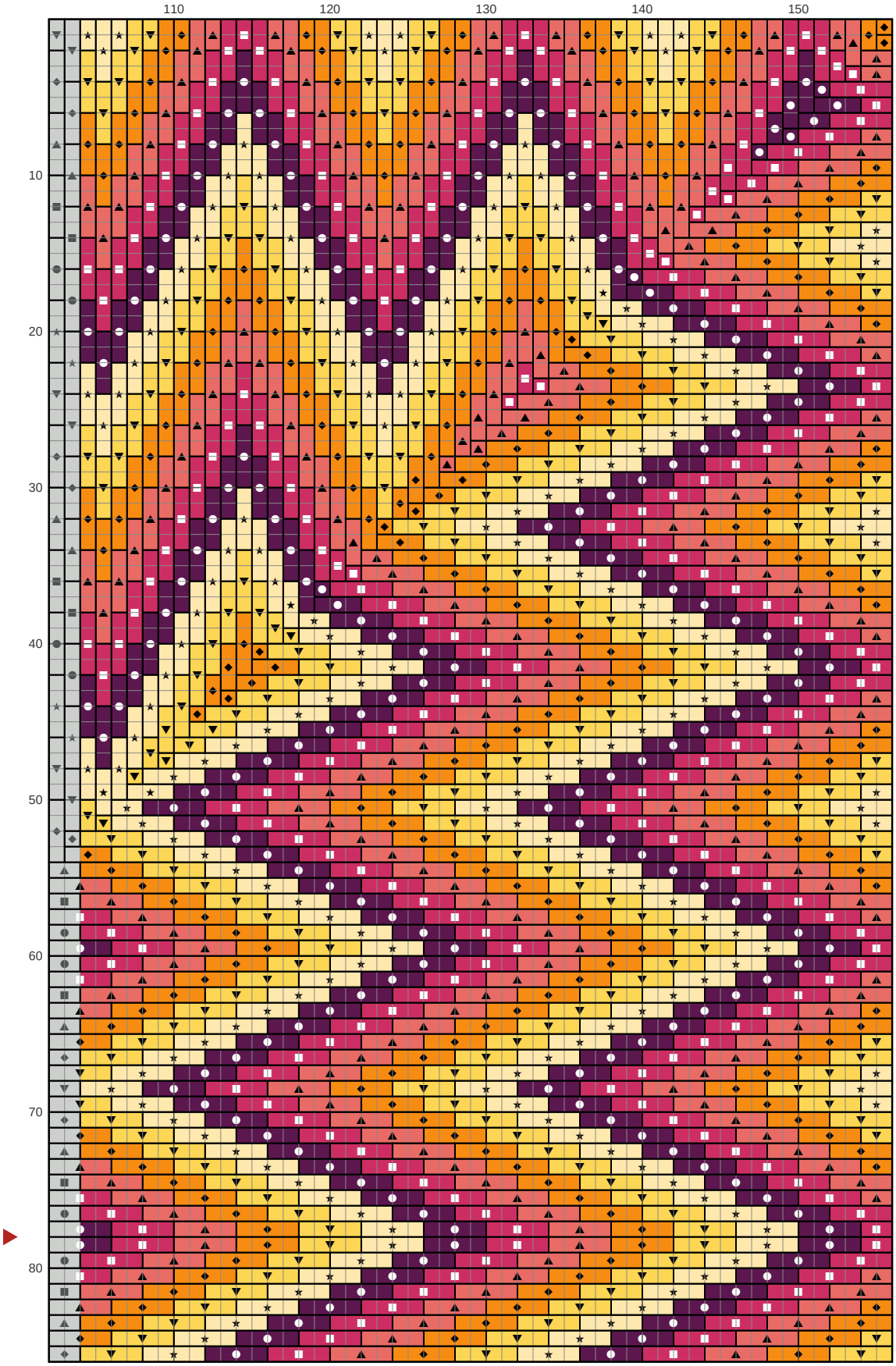

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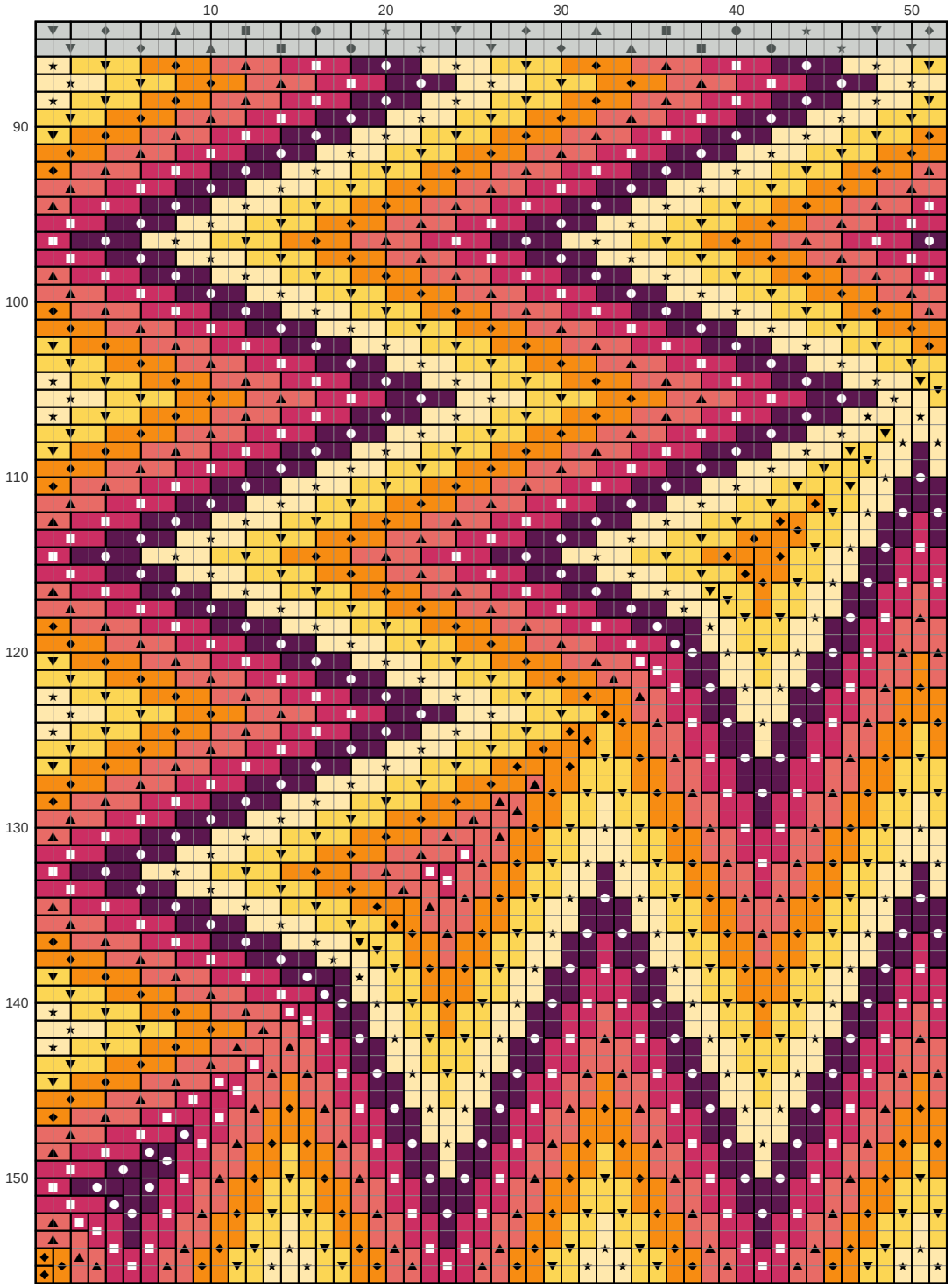

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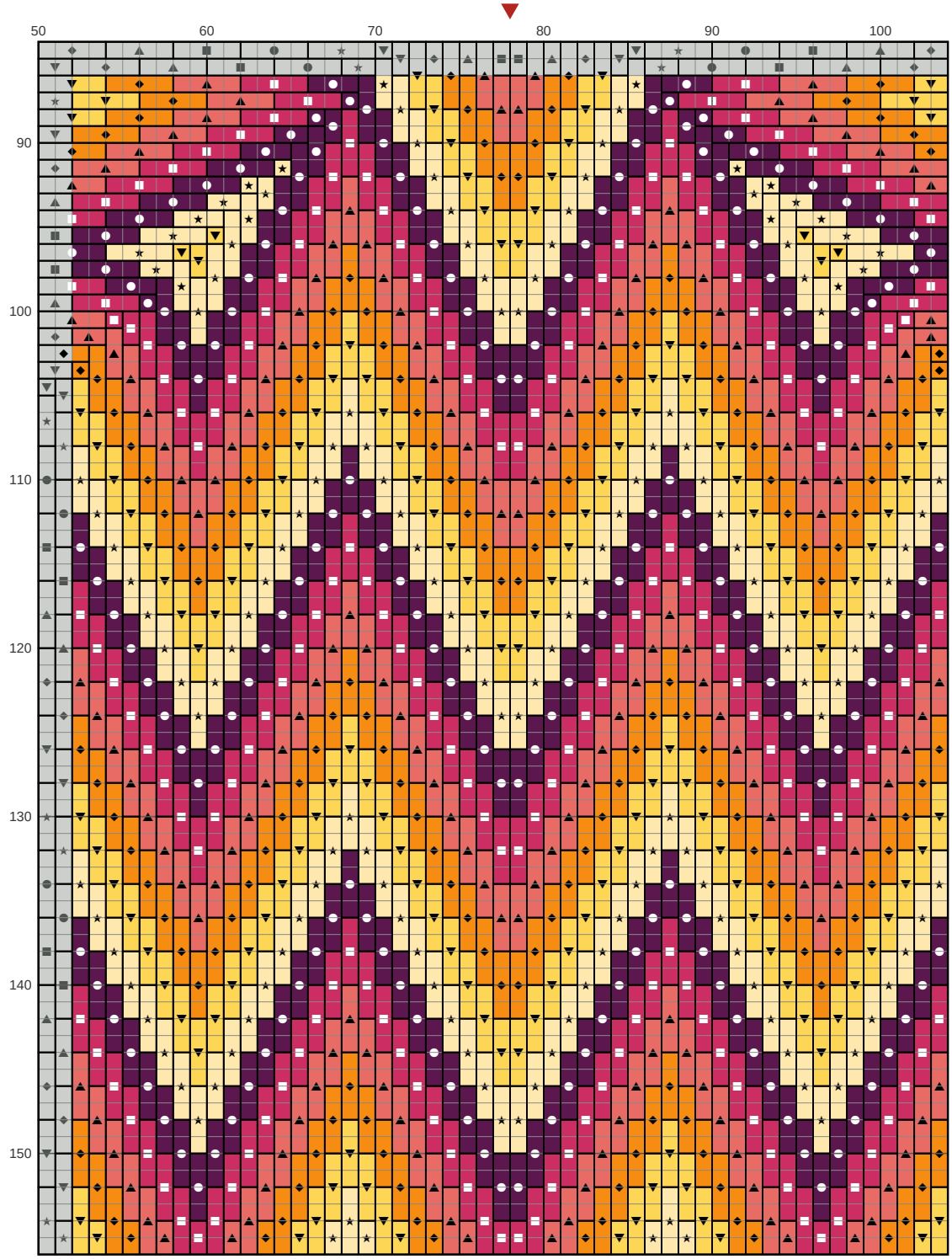

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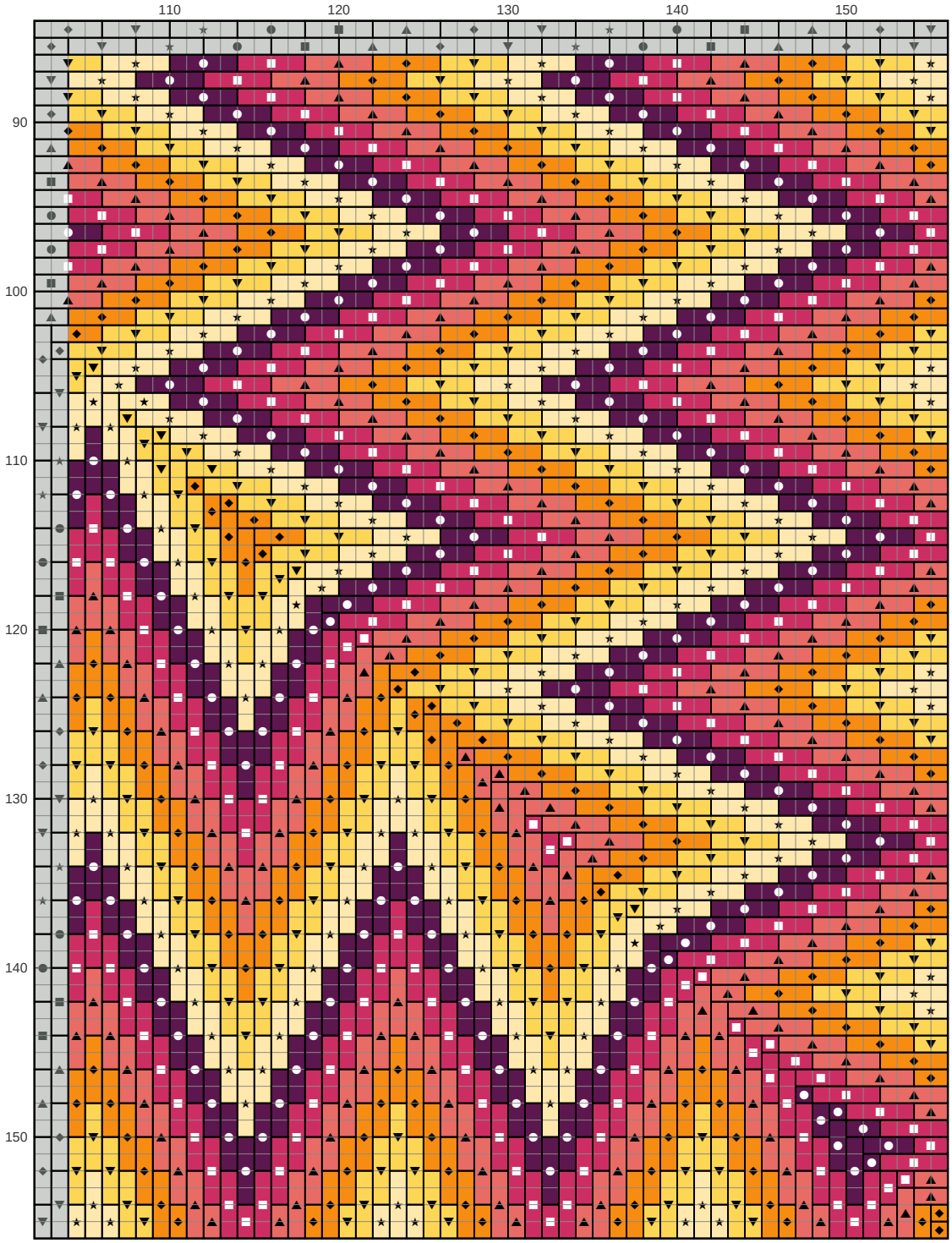

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