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Needlepoint pattern | 140 x 140 stitches | 14 x 14 in (35.6 x 35.6 cm) on 10 mesh | 21 colors



Thread key, DMC

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	**415**	Pearl Gray	7,408	92	12
■	**762**	Very Light Pearl Gray	3,860	48	6
▲	**3799**	Very Dark Pewter Gray	1,867	23	3
◆	**891**	Dark Carnation	609	8	1
▼	**3808**	Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	560	7	1
★	**893**	Light Carnation	532	7	1
❖	**741**	Medium Tangerine	532	7	1
X	**166**	Medium Light Moss Green	493	7	1
O	**782**	Dark Topaz	438	6	1
+	**597**	Turquoise	424	6	1
=	**3820**	Dark Straw	422	6	1
Z	**946**	Medium Burnt Orange	381	5	1
A	**BLANC**	White	360	5	1
V	**580**	Dark Moss Green	356	5	1
T	**3810**	Dark Turquoise	317	4	1
N	**3819**	Light Moss Green	234	3	1
S	**317**	Pewter Gray	231	3	1
K	**894**	Very Light Carnation	207	3	1
E	**742**	Light Tangerine	168	3	1
C	**318**	Light Steel Gray	131	2	1
P	**747**	Very Light Sky Blue	70	1	1

One chart square is one tent stitch over one canvas intersection.

Cut the canvas at least 18 x 18 in (45.7 x 45.7 cm) for 10 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

19,600 stitches in all. Start from the center: a red arrow above the chart marks the center column, and one to the left of it the center row. The arrows are on the pages those lines cross.

The chart is divided evenly over 4 pages. Where chart pages join, gray squares repeat two rows or columns. The small picture at the top of each chart page shows which part it is.

Thread: pearl cotton size 3, 2 strands in the needle on 10 mesh, about 39 skeins of 16.4 yd in all. Or six-strand floss, 8 to 10 strands, about 58 skeins of 8.7 yd; or tapestry wool, 1 strand, about 38 skeins of 8.7 yd; or Persian wool, 3 strands, about 39 skeins of 8 yd. Wool is numbered differently: match it by eye. Needle: tapestry, size 16 or 18.

Yards and skeins are estimates: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 10 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color (about 251 yards in all, as the thread lies in the needle).

Thread colors are approximate screen matches to DMC numbers. Check against real thread before you buy.

Make it a pillow: also have backing fabric, an insert the size of the stitching or an inch larger, and cord or piping for the edge. The seam takes the last two rows: stitch two extra rows all round, or keep the edge plain. "How to finish a pillow" is a guide linked from this pattern's page.

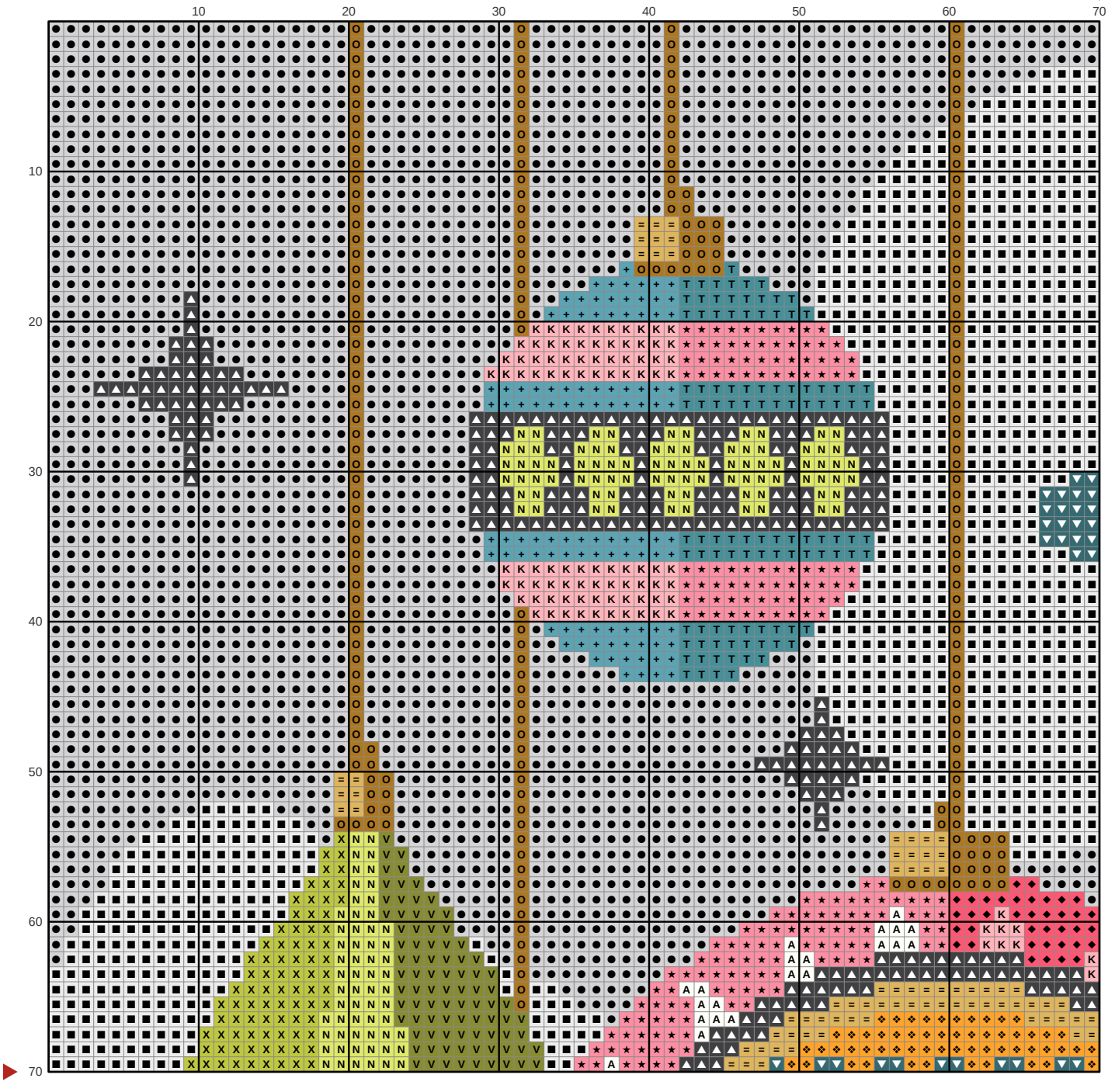
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Chart 1 of 4: columns 1 to 70, rows 1 to 70

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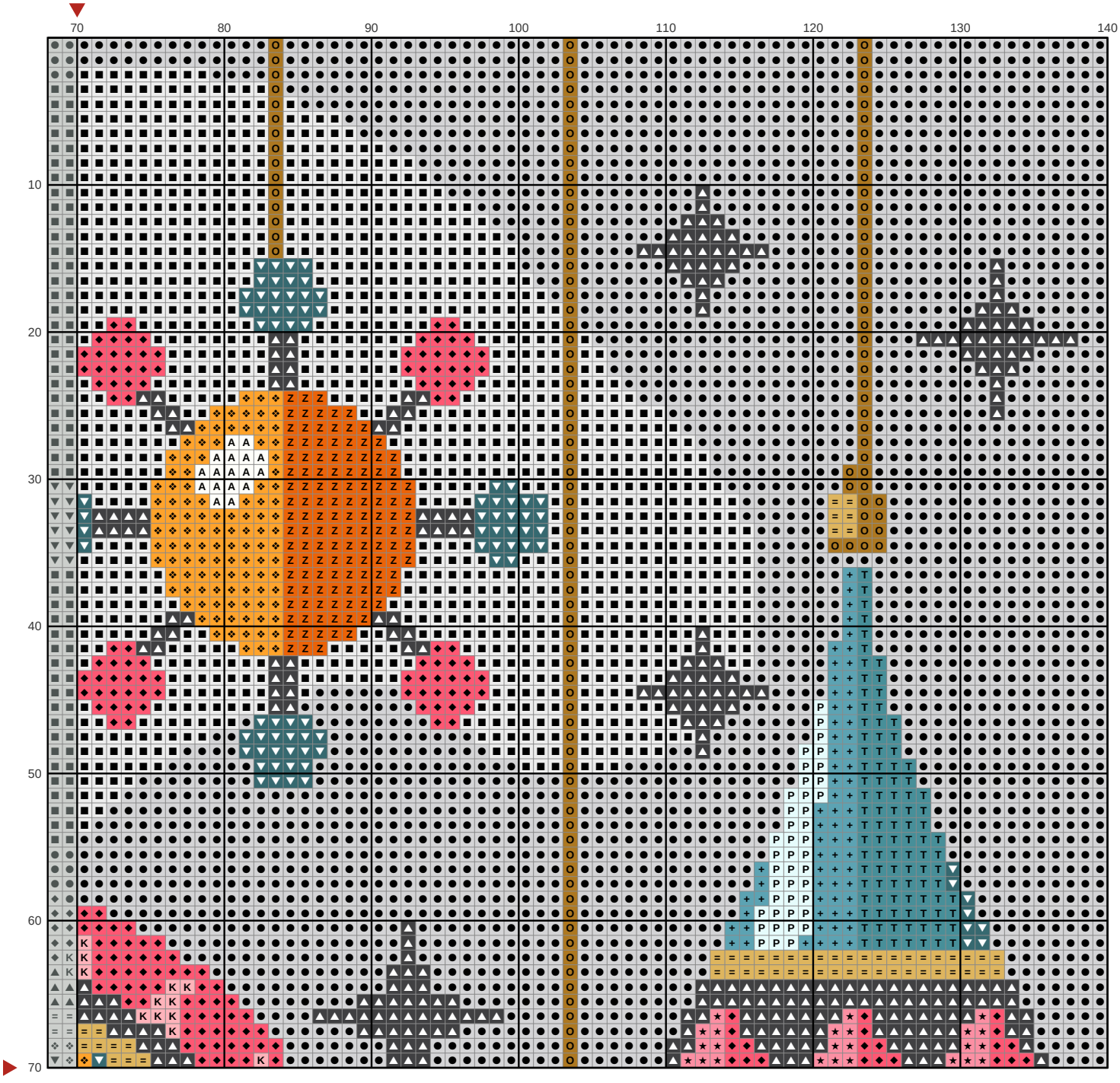


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Chart 2 of 4: columns 71 to 140, rows 1 to 70; gray squares repeat columns 69 and 70

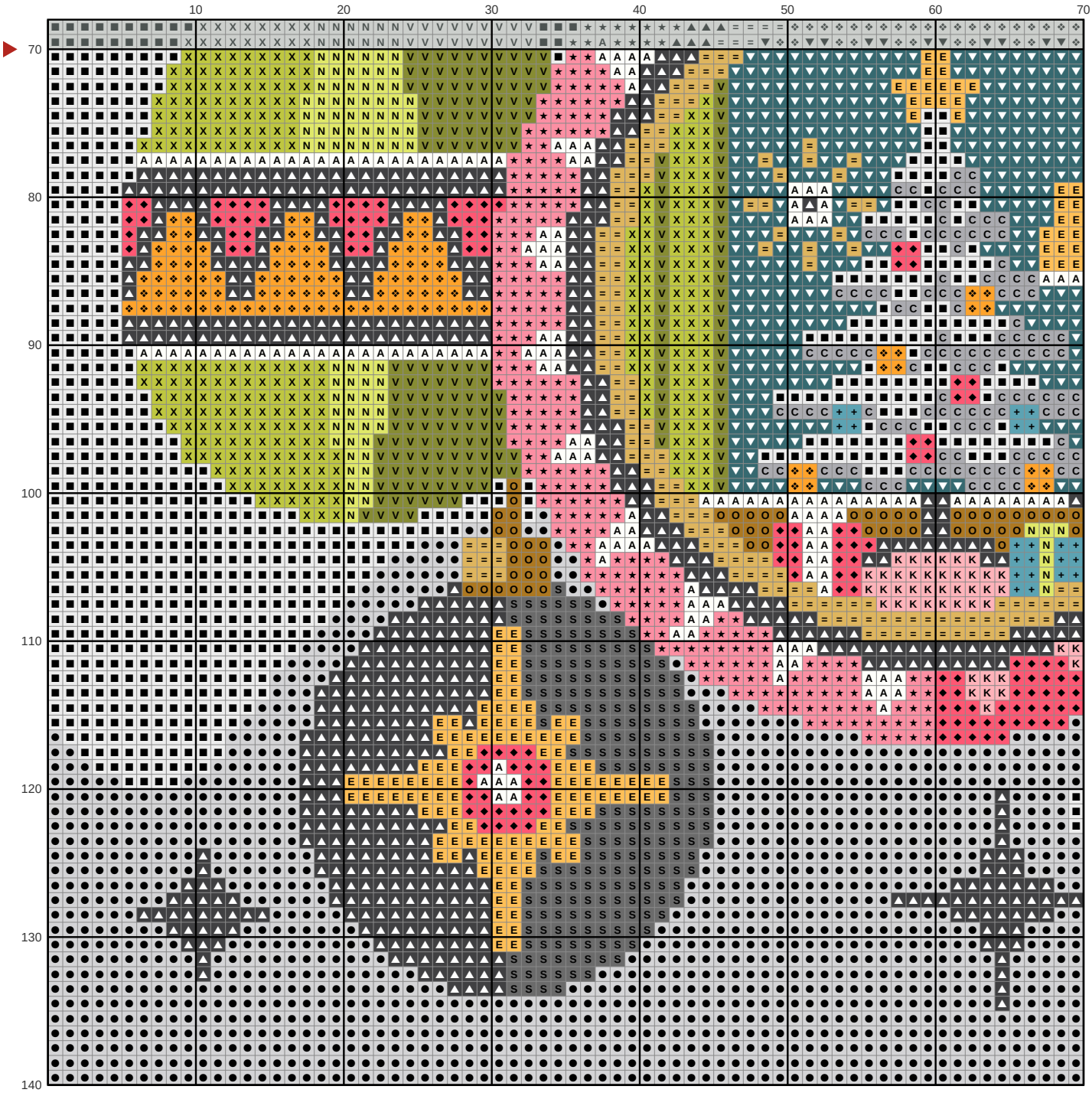


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Chart 3 of 4: columns 1 to 70, rows 71 to 140; gray squares repeat rows 69 and 70

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Chart 4 of 4: columns 71 to 140, rows 71 to 140; gray squares repeat columns 69 and 70 and rows 69 and 70

