Animal alphabet for a nursery

Needlepoint pattern | 182 x 182 stitches | 14 x 14 in (35.6 x 35.6 cm) on 13 mesh | 24 colors



Thread key, DMC

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	ECRU	Ecru	23,165	220	34
■	989	Forest Green	1,170	12	2
▲	519	Sky Blue	1,033	10	2
◆	3731	Very Dark Dusty Rose	895	9	2
▼	3363	Medium Pine Green	713	7	2
★	922	Light Copper	661	7	1
❖	3865	Winter White	641	7	1
X	801	Dark Coffee Brown	523	5	1
O	3371	Black Brown	463	5	1
+	209	Dark Lavender	448	5	1
=	415	Pearl Gray	443	5	1
Z	413	Dark Pewter Gray	429	5	1
A	782	Dark Topaz	405	4	1
V	433	Medium Brown	396	4	1
T	920	Medium Copper	243	3	1
N	437	Light Tan	228	3	1
S	208	Very Dark Lavender	207	2	1
K	3350	Ultra Dark Dusty Rose	203	2	1
E	435	Very Light Brown	202	2	1
C	739	Ultra Very Light Tan	183	2	1
P	3354	Light Dusty Rose	138	2	1
U	3821	Straw	138	2	1
L	745	Light Pale Yellow	121	2	1
2	369	Very Light Pistachio Green	76	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 13 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

33,124 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 on 5 pages, each cut to what is stitched: bare canvas has no page, and a join falls on plain ground where it can. Pages 2 and 3 are turned on their side, for a part that is wider than it is tall. 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: six-strand floss, 7 or 8 strands in the needle on 13 mesh (counted at 8), about 61 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 3, 1 strand, about 37 skeins of 16.4 yd; or tapestry wool, 1 strand, about 51 skeins of 8.7 yd; or Persian wool, 2 strands, about 42 skeins of 8 yd. Wool is numbered differently: match it by eye. Needle: tapestry, size 20.

Yards and skeins are estimates: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 13 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color (about 326 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.

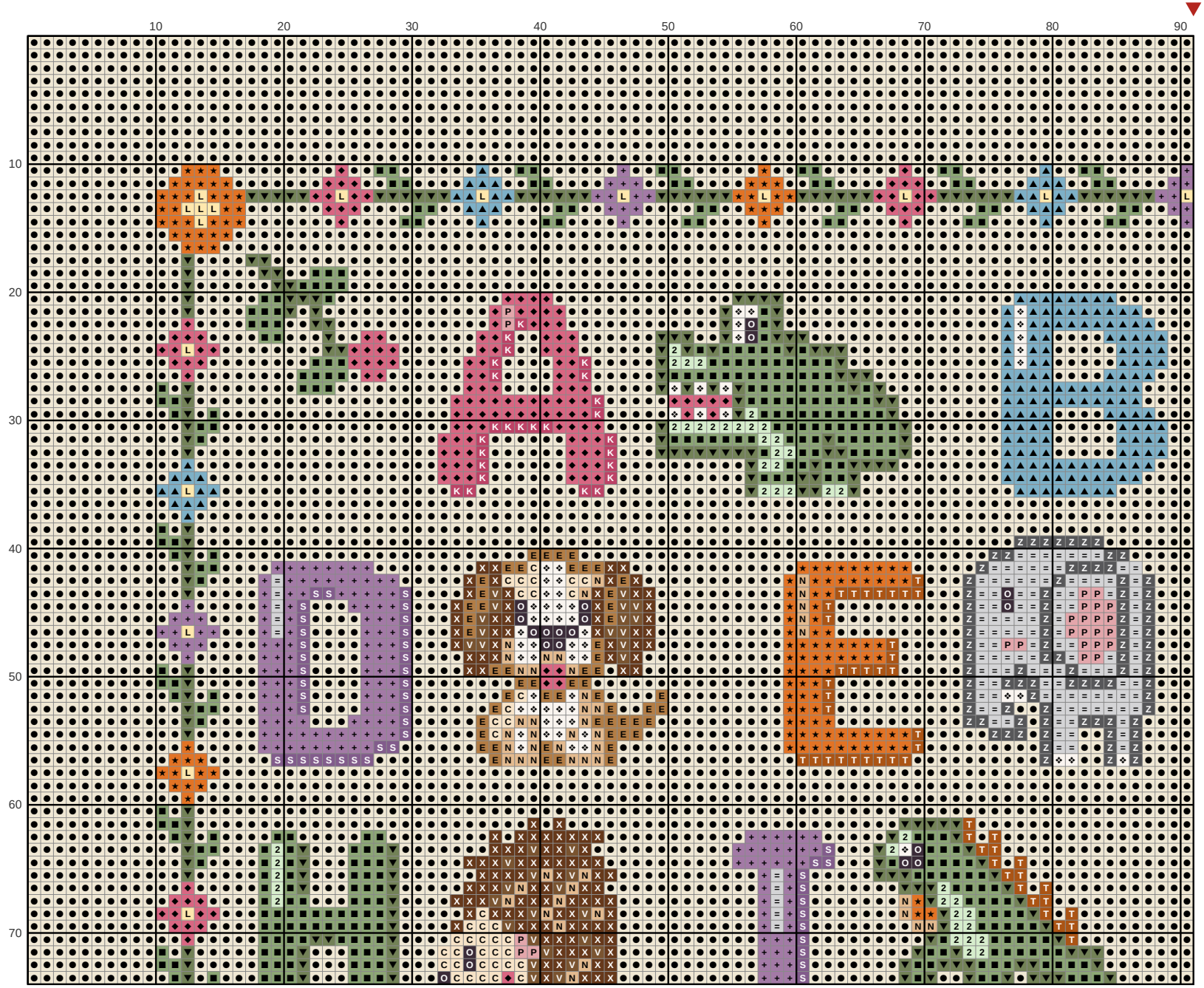
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Chart 1 of 5: columns 1 to 91, rows 1 to 74

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Key

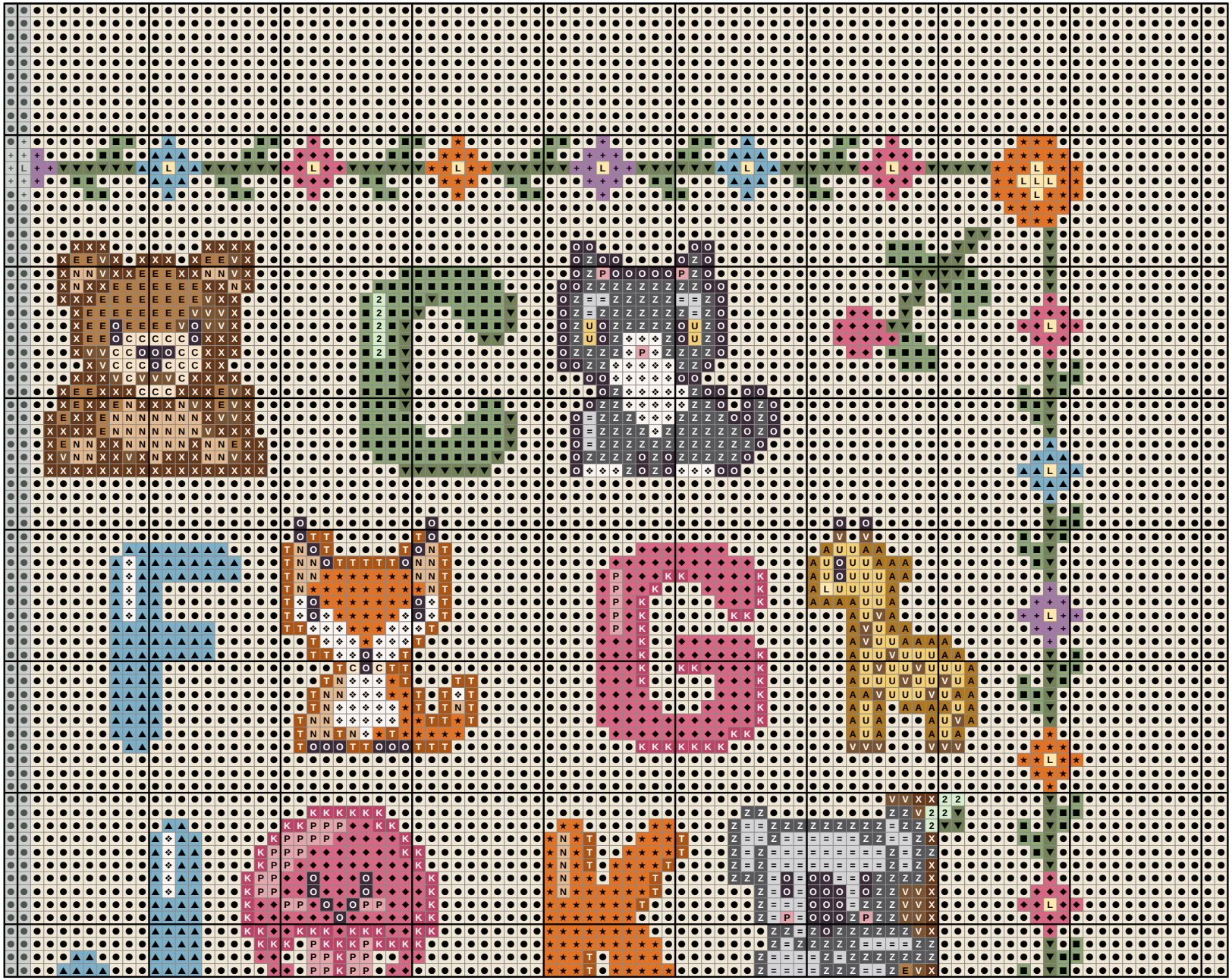
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- O **DMC 3371** Black Brown
- \+ **DMC 209** Dark Lavender
- = **DMC 415** Pearl Gray
- Z **DMC 413** Dark Pewter Gray
- V **DMC 433** Medium Brown
- T **DMC 920** Medium Copper
- N **DMC 437** Light Tan
- S **DMC 208** Very Dark Lavender
- K **DMC 3350** Ultra Dark Dusty Rose
- E **DMC 435** Very Light Brown
- C **DMC 739** Ultra Very Light Tan
- P **DMC 3354** Light Dusty Rose
- L **DMC 745** Light Pale Yellow
- 2 **DMC 369** Very Light Pistachio Green

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Chart 2 of 5: columns 92 to 182, rows 1 to 74; gray squares repeat columns 90 and 91

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- ▼ **DMC 3363** Medium Pine Green
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Chart 3 of 5: columns 1 to 61, rows 75 to 182; gray squares repeat rows 73 and 74

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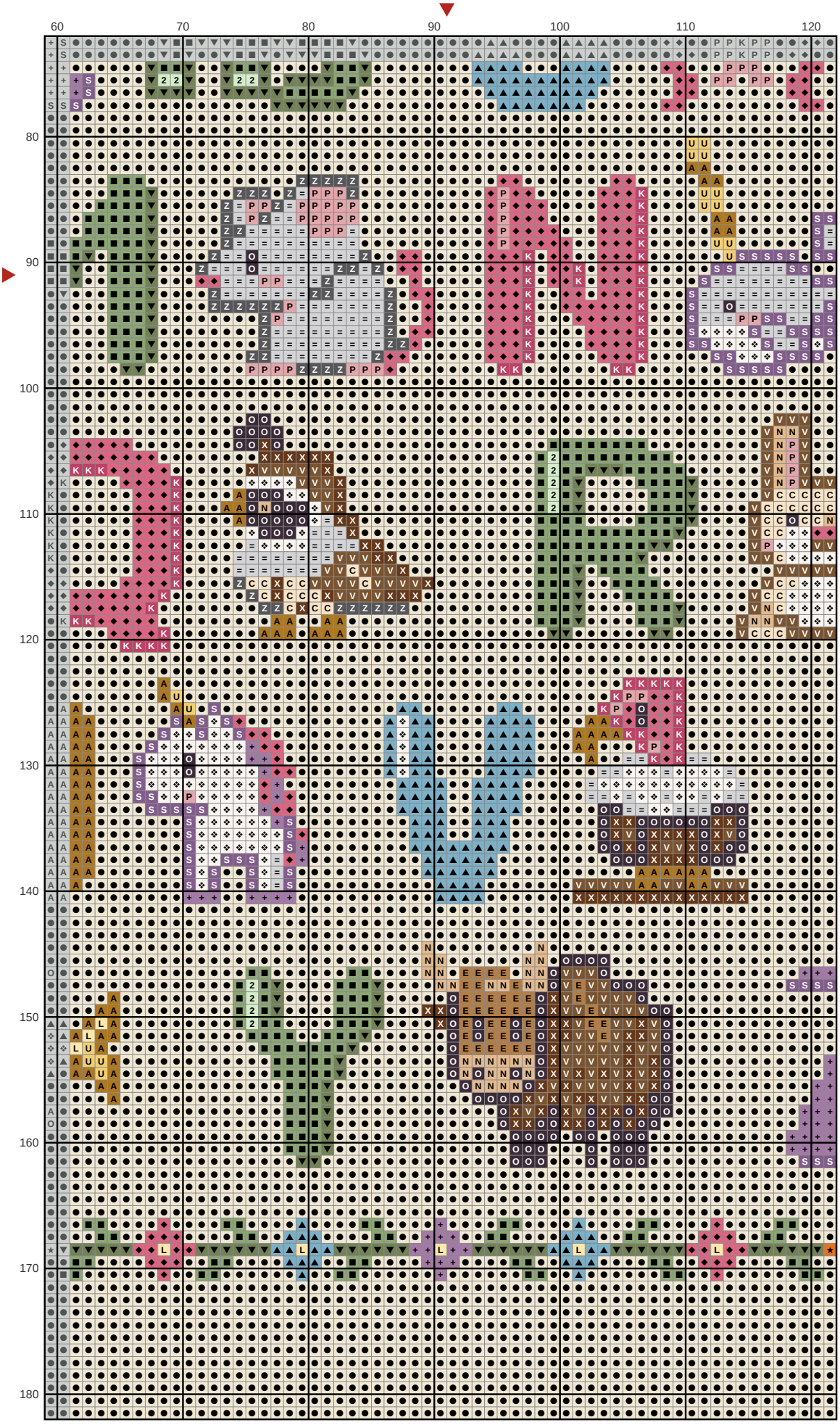
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Chart 4 of 5: columns 62 to 122, rows 75 to 182; gray squares repeat columns 60 and 61 and rows 73 and 74



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Chart 5 of 5: columns 123 to 182, rows 75 to 182; gray squares repeat columns 121 and 122 and rows 73 and 74



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