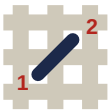
Bless this mess, patchwork pillow

Needlepoint pattern | 160 x 136 stitches | 16 x 13.6 in (40.6 x 34.5 cm) on 10 mesh | 14 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 80, row 68 (DMC 3750): 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 3865: 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 20.5 in wide x 18 in high (52.1 x 45.7 cm).

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

Thread: pearl cotton size 3, 14 colors, about 42 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
●	**3865**	Winter White	7,853	14
□	**3750**	Very Dark Antique Blue	3,901	6
▲	**347**	Very Dark Salmon	2,292	4
◆	**739**	Ultra Very Light Tan	1,536	3
▼	**3363**	Medium Pine Green	1,065	2
★	**931**	Medium Antique Blue	921	2
❖	**745**	Light Pale Yellow	827	2
X	**225**	Ultra Very Light Shell Pink	821	2
H	**3753**	Ultra Very Light Antique Blue	759	2
+	**3822**	Light Straw	624	1
=	**3712**	Medium Salmon	459	1
Z	**3752**	Very Light Antique Blue	425	1
A	**3053**	Green Gray	248	1
V	**414**	Dark Steel Gray	29	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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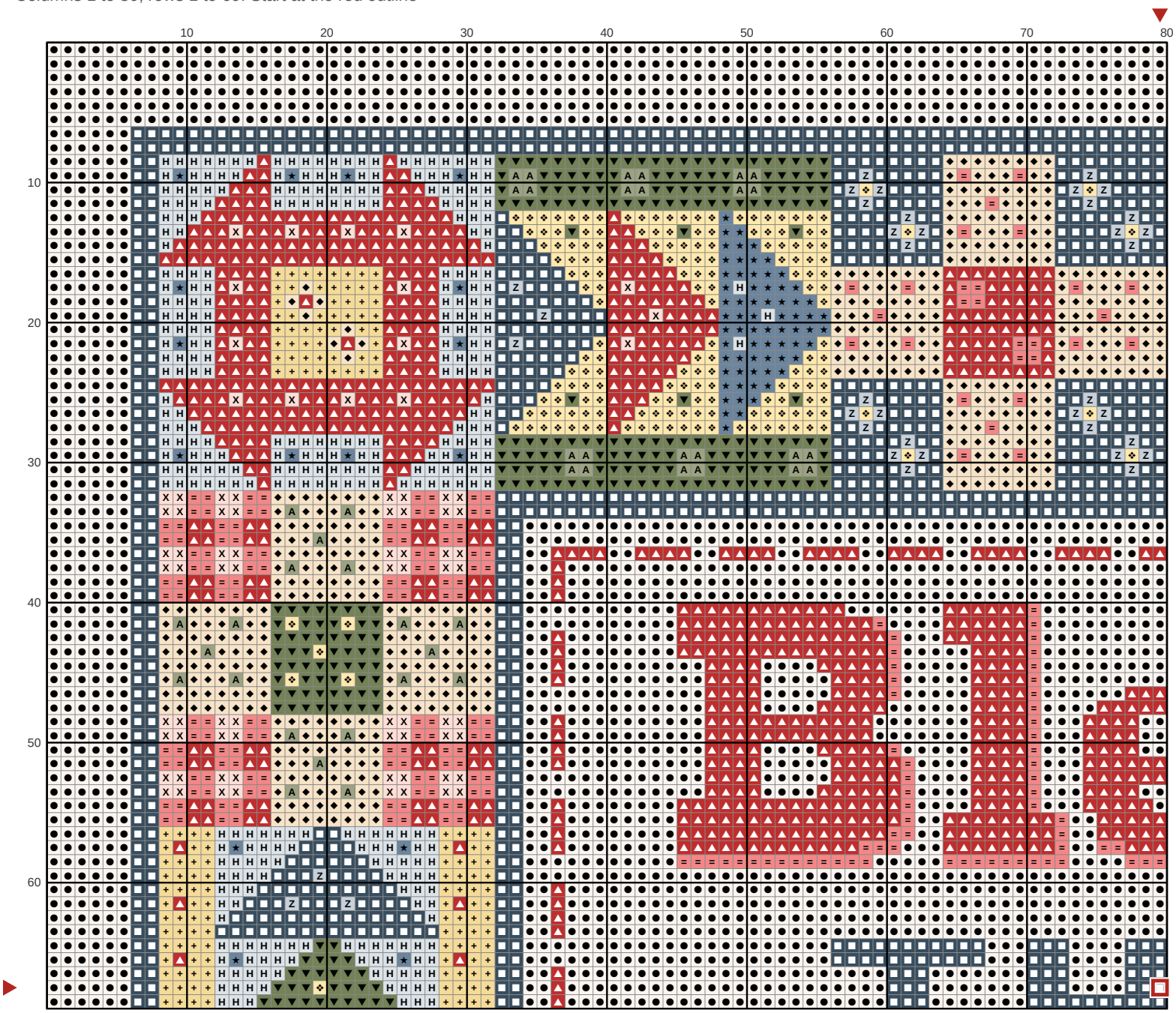

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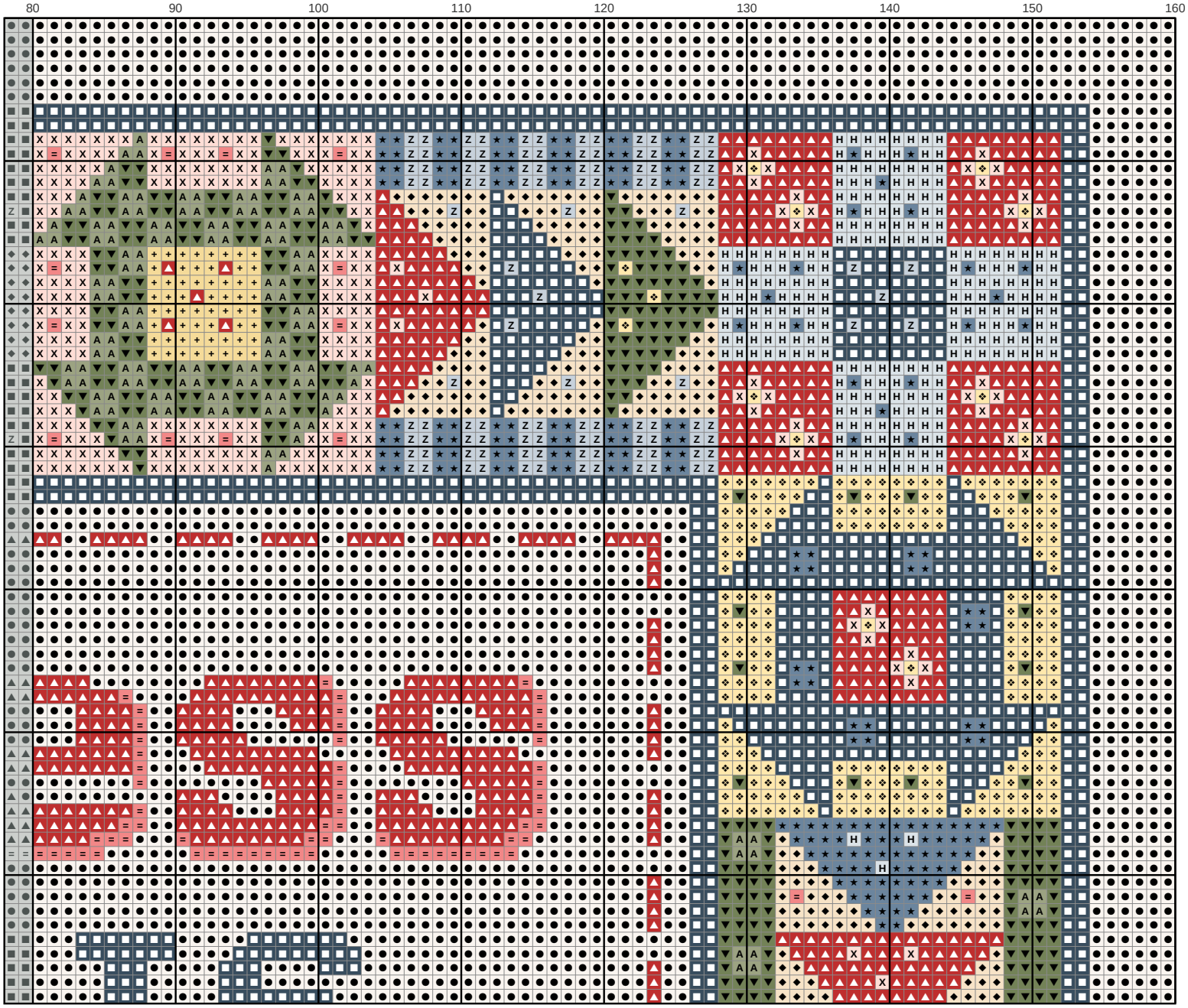

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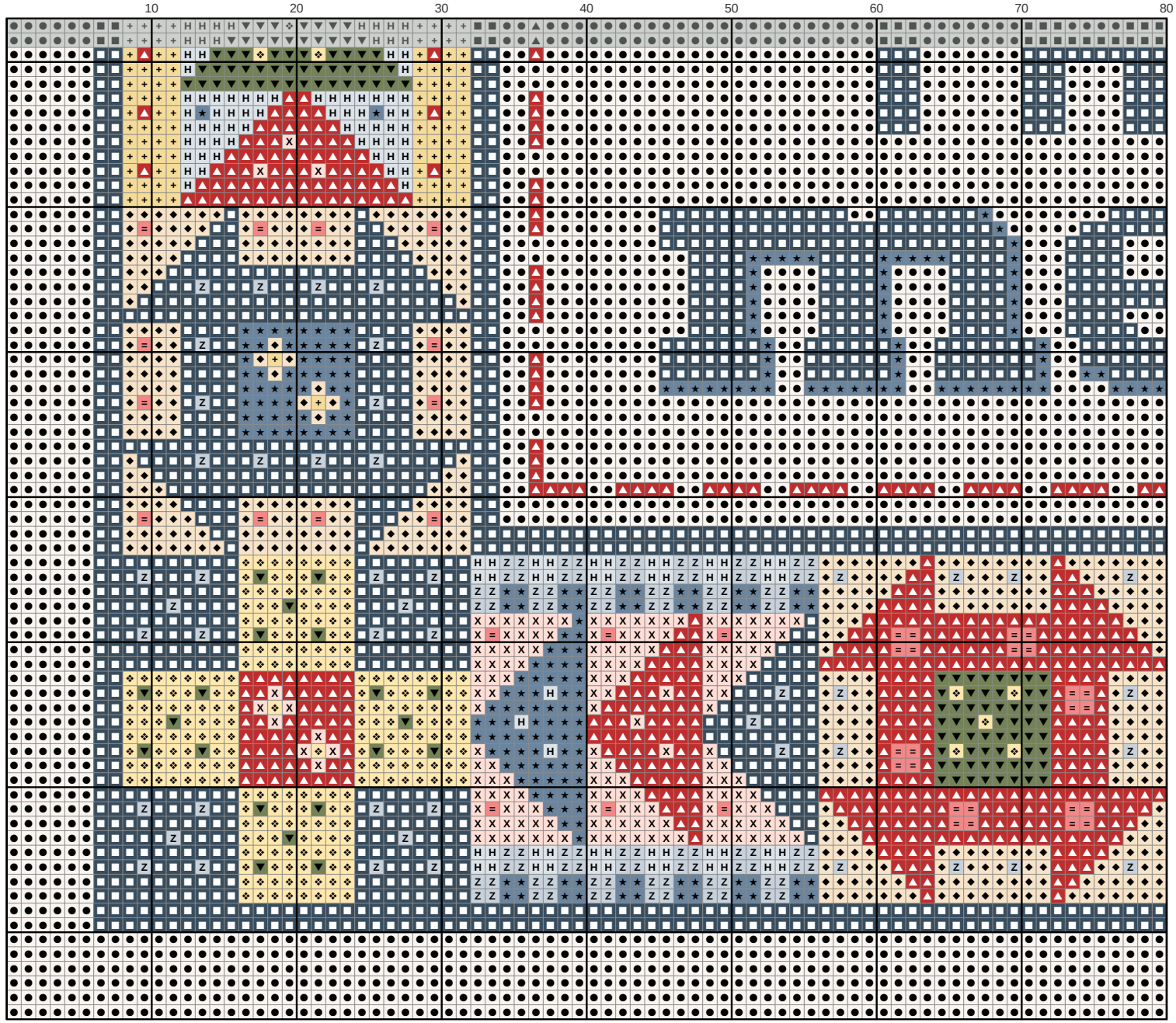

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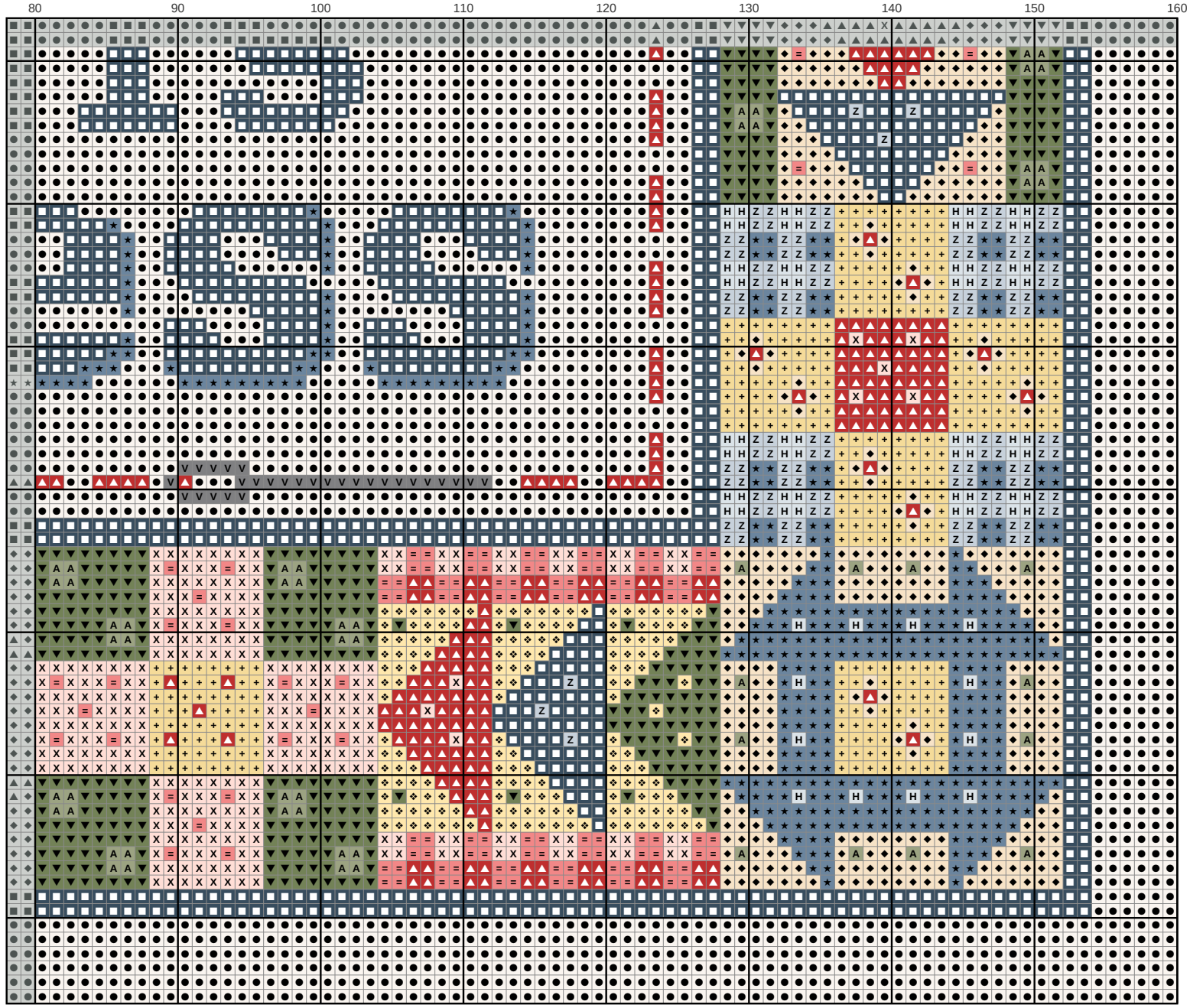

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