Vintage 70s butterfly patch

Needlepoint pattern | 110 x 104 stitches | 6.1 x 5.8 in (15.5 x 14.7 cm) on 18 mesh | 9 colors



Thread key

			stitches	yards	skeins of floss
●	**DMC 898**	Very Dark Coffee Brown	2,356	17	2
■	**DMC 3823**	Ultra Pale Yellow	1,374	10	2
▲	**DMC 744**	Pale Yellow	1,370	10	2
◆	**DMC 720**	Dark Orange Spice	1,250	9	1
▼	**DMC 919**	Red Copper	1,038	8	1
★	**DMC 712**	Cream	734	6	1
❖	**DMC 3810**	Dark Turquoise	514	4	1
X	**DMC 3820**	Dark Straw	464	4	1
O	**DMC 3811**	Very Light Turquoise	60	1	1

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

Cut the canvas at least 10.1 x 9.8 in (25.7 x 24.8 cm) for 18 mesh: the design and 2 in (5.1 cm) of margin on every side.

9,160 stitches in all, inside the outline: the chart is 110 x 104 at its widest and tallest. 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 2 pages, each cut to what is stitched: bare canvas has no page, and a join falls on plain ground where it can. Where chart pages join, gray squares repeat two columns. The small picture at the top of each chart page shows which part it is.

Thread: six-strand floss, 4 to 6 strands in the needle on 18 mesh (counted at 6), about 12 skeins of 8.7 yd in all. Or pearl cotton size 5, 1 strand, about 9 skeins of 27.3 yd; or Persian wool, 1 strand, about 9 skeins of 8 yd. Wool is numbered differently: match it by eye. Needle: tapestry, size 22.

Yards and skeins are estimates: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 18 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color (about 69 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 an ornament: also have board, thin batting, backing fabric and twisted cord. Stitch two or three extra rows of background all round: the edge of the board takes them. "How to finish an ornament" is a guide linked from this pattern's page.

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Chart 1 of 2: columns 5 to 55, rows 5 to 100

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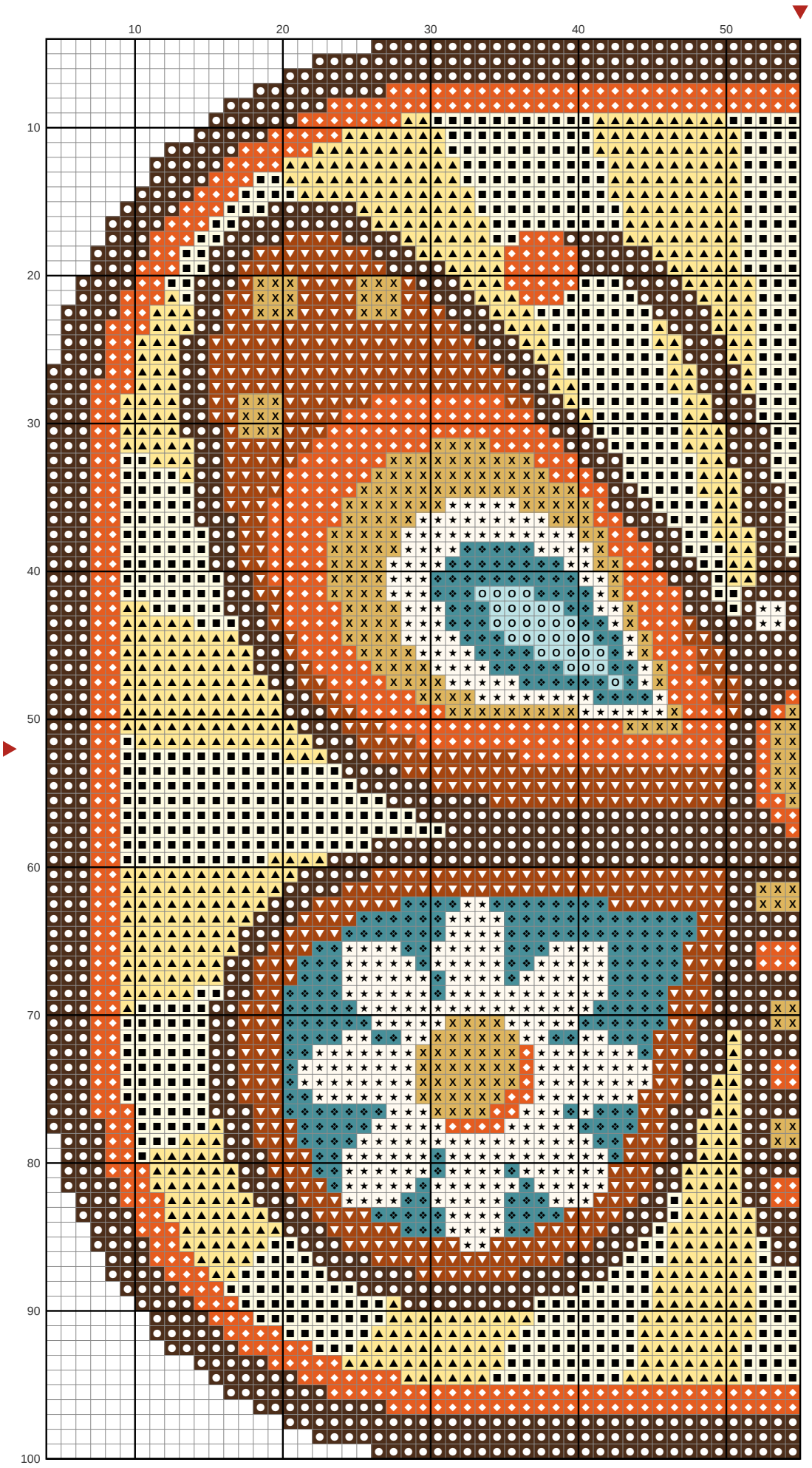

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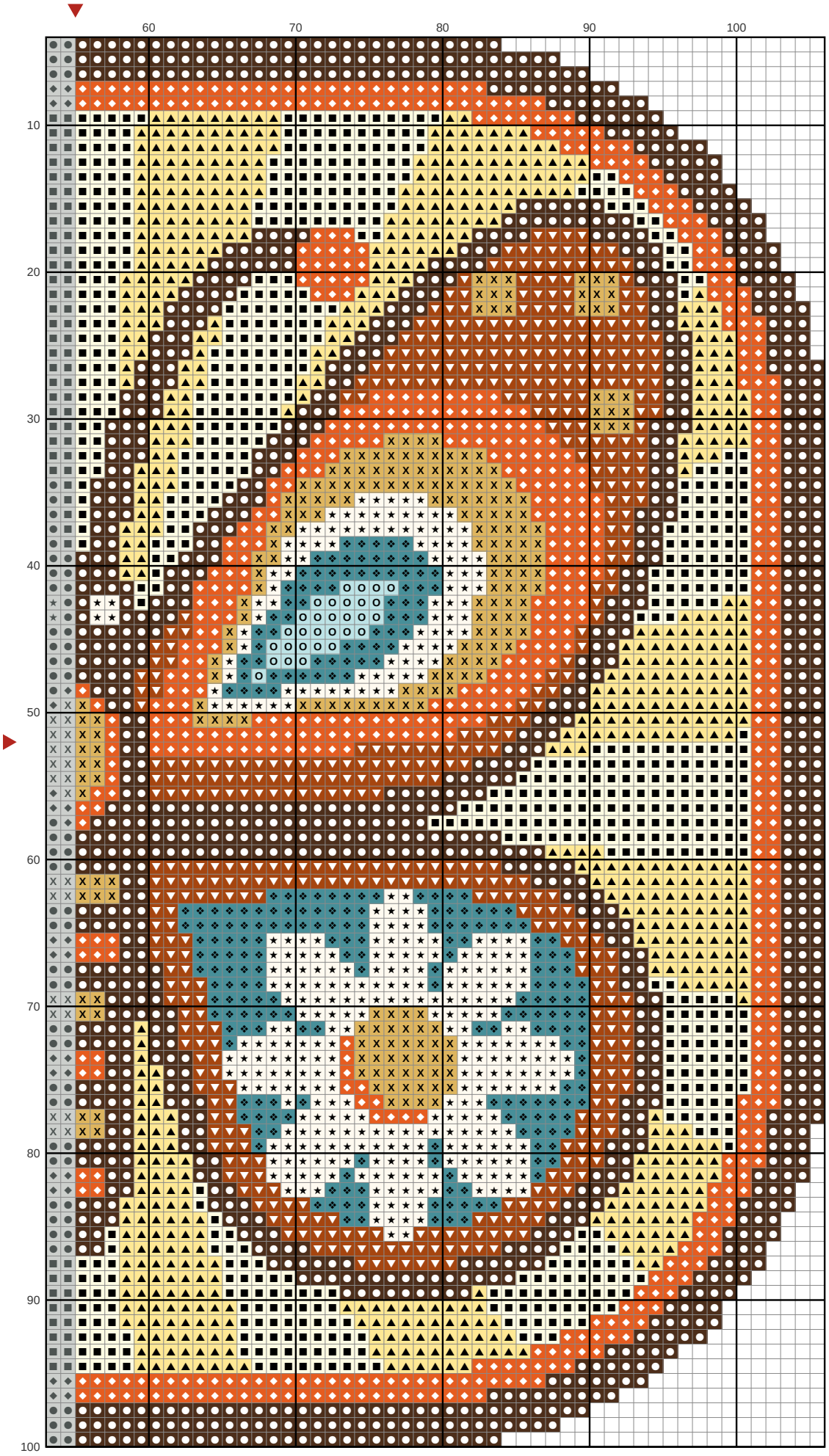
Chart 2 of 2: columns 56 to 106, rows 5 to 100; gray squares repeat columns 54 and 55



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