Heirloom pumpkins still life pillow

Needlepoint pattern | 140 x 140 stitches | 14 x 14 in (35.6 x 35.6 cm) on 10 mesh | 24 colors



Thread key, DMC

			stitches	yards	skeins
●	3834	Dark Grape	2,690	34	5
■	3041	Medium Antique Violet	2,563	32	4
▲	3863	Medium Mocha Beige	1,811	23	3
◆	3031	Very Dark Mocha Brown	1,664	21	3
▼	3740	Dark Antique Violet	1,240	16	2
★	720	Dark Orange Spice	1,208	15	2
❖	3862	Dark Mocha Beige	1,131	14	2
X	3371	Black Brown	935	12	2
O	721	Medium Orange Spice	830	11	2
+	919	Red Copper	806	10	2
=	926	Medium Gray Green	657	9	1
Z	927	Light Gray Green	567	7	1
A	758	Very Light Terra Cotta	511	7	1
V	3779	Very Light Rosewood	428	6	1
T	729	Medium Old Gold	366	5	1
N	918	Dark Red Copper	364	5	1
S	3722	Medium Shell Pink	355	5	1
K	3768	Dark Gray Green	321	4	1
E	738	Very Light Tan	265	4	1
C	3858	Medium Rosewood	240	3	1
P	924	Very Dark Gray Green	211	3	1
U	722	Light Orange Spice	199	3	1
L	928	Very Light Gray Green	124	2	1
2	948	Very Light Peach	114	2	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 41 skeins of 16.4 yd in all. Or six-strand floss, 8 to 10 strands, about 57 skeins of 8.7 yd; or tapestry wool, 1 strand, about 40 skeins of 8.7 yd; or Persian wool, 3 strands, about 42 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 253 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.

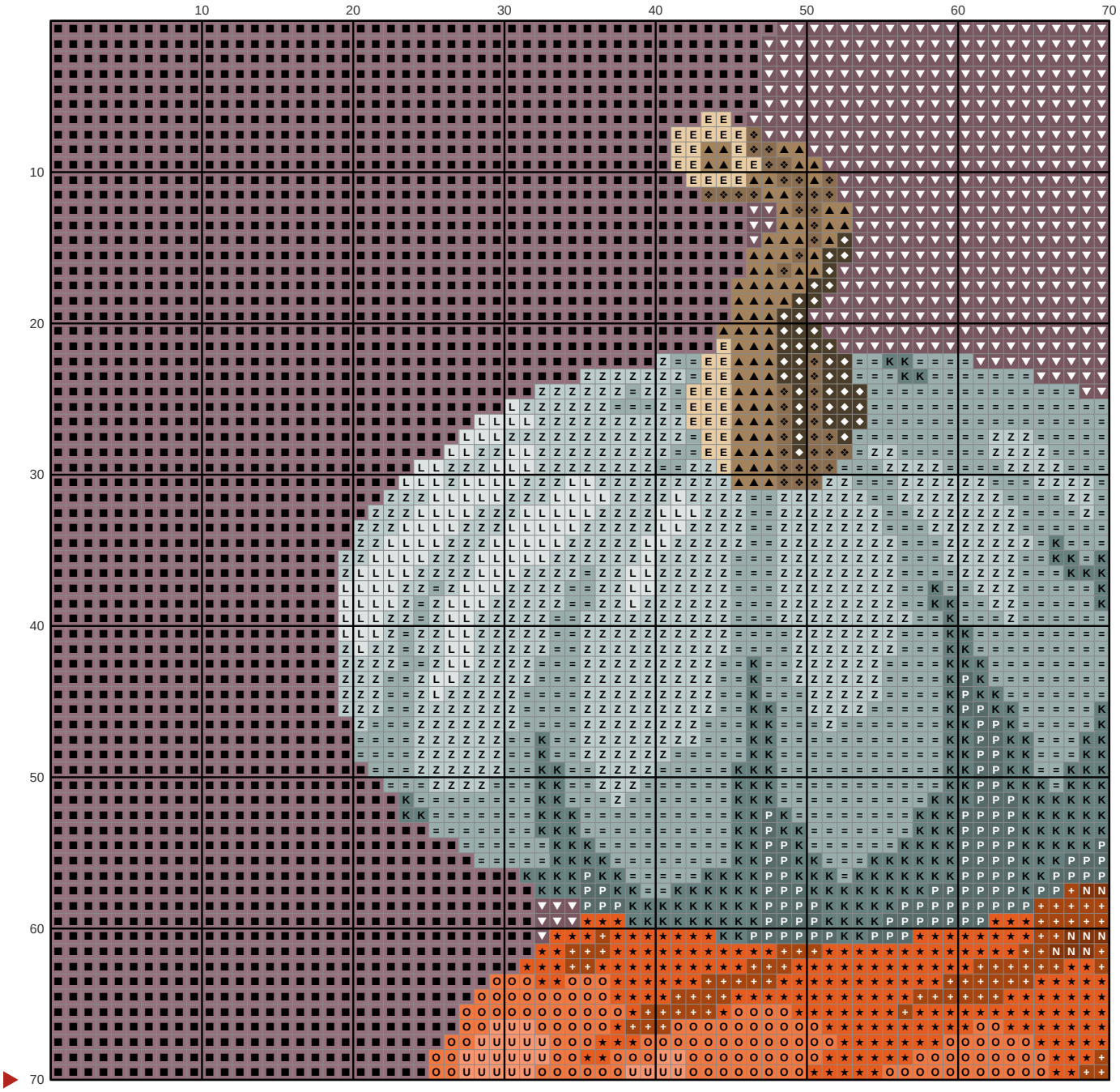
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Chart 1 of 4: columns 1 to 70, rows 1 to 70

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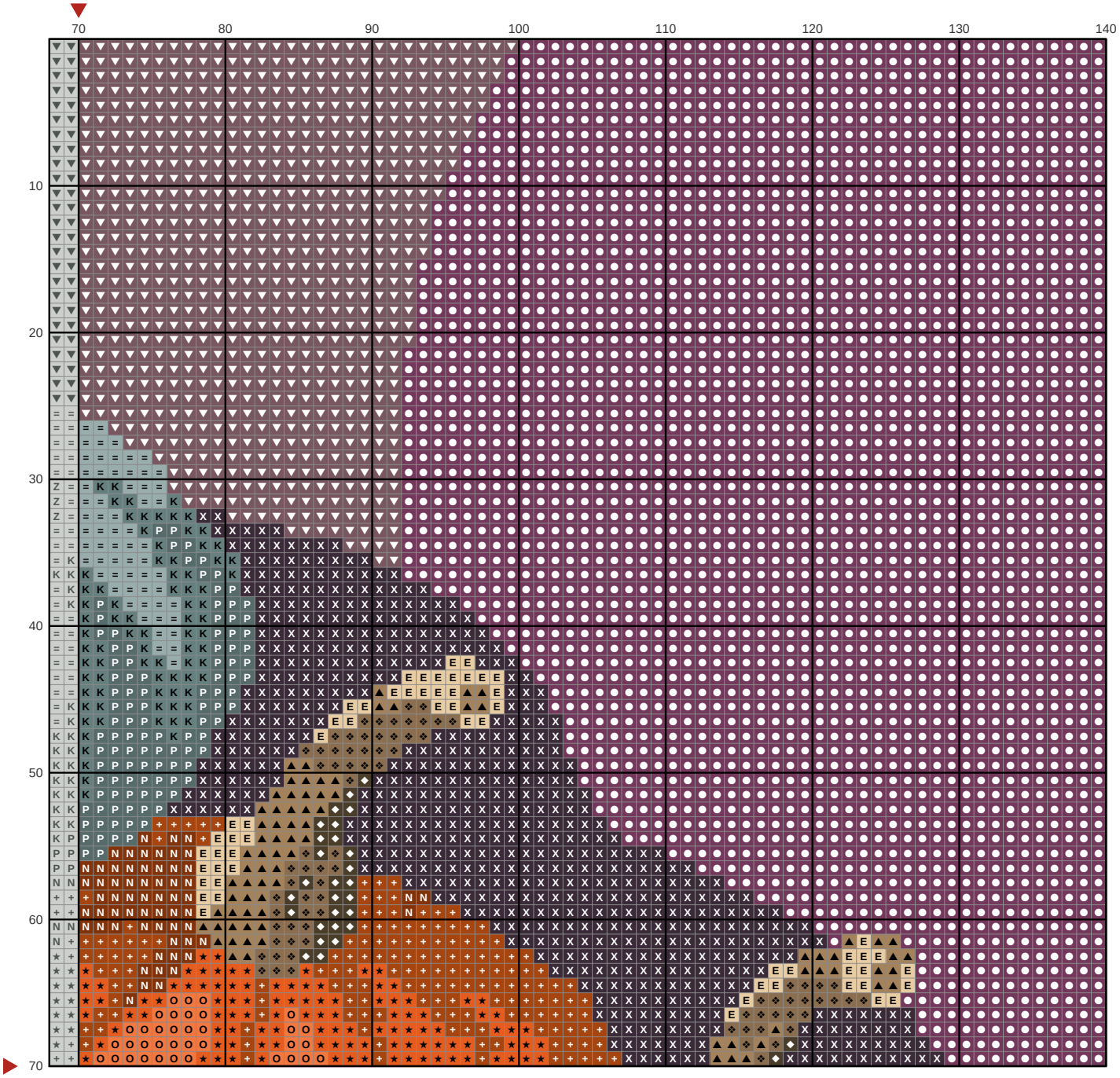
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Chart 2 of 4: columns 71 to 140, rows 1 to 70; gray squares repeat columns 69 and 70

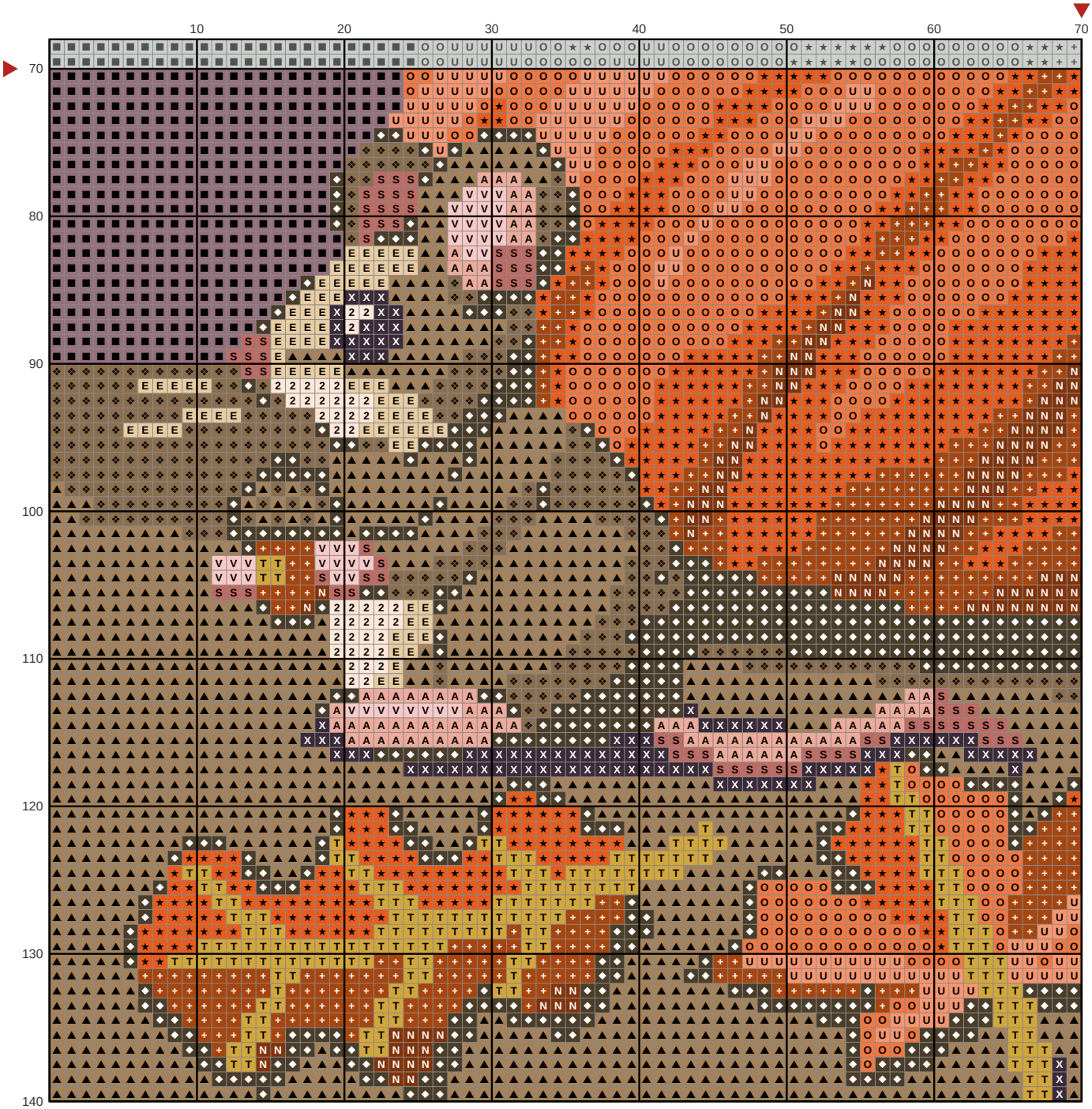


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Chart 3 of 4: columns 1 to 70, rows 71 to 140; gray squares repeat rows 69 and 70

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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

