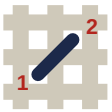
Whimsical guardian lion

Needlepoint pattern | 130 x 130 stitches | 10 x 10 in (25.4 x 25.4 cm) on 13 mesh | 20 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 65, row 65 (DMC 604): 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, each stitch in the color it lies beside: 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, 13 mesh (13 threads to the inch), cut 14.5 in square (36.8 cm).

Needle: blunt tapestry, size 20. Also masking tape for the cut edges, and small scissors.

Thread: six-strand floss, 20 colors, about 39 skeins in all (an estimate). Stitch with 7 strands (8 if canvas shows).

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
●	**3822**	Light Straw	2,379	5
■	**3823**	Ultra Pale Yellow	2,165	4
▲	**964**	Light Seagreen	2,087	4
◆	**3808**	Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	1,861	3
▼	**959**	Medium Seagreen	1,511	3
★	**321**	Red	1,193	2
❖	**310**	Black	1,136	2
X	**3821**	Straw	1,014	2
H	**745**	Light Pale Yellow	838	2
+	**943**	Medium Aquamarine	686	1
=	**815**	Medium Garnet	581	2
Z	**600**	Very Dark Cranberry	382	1
A	**604**	Light Cranberry	238	1
V	**963**	Ultra Very Light Dusty Rose	198	1
T	**3781**	Dark Mocha Brown	190	1
N	**747**	Very Light Sky Blue	157	1
S	**712**	Cream	141	1
K	**562**	Medium Jade	54	1
E	**435**	Very Light Brown	48	1
C	**783**	Medium Topaz	41	1

Skeins are estimates, with the two extra rows: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 13 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color.

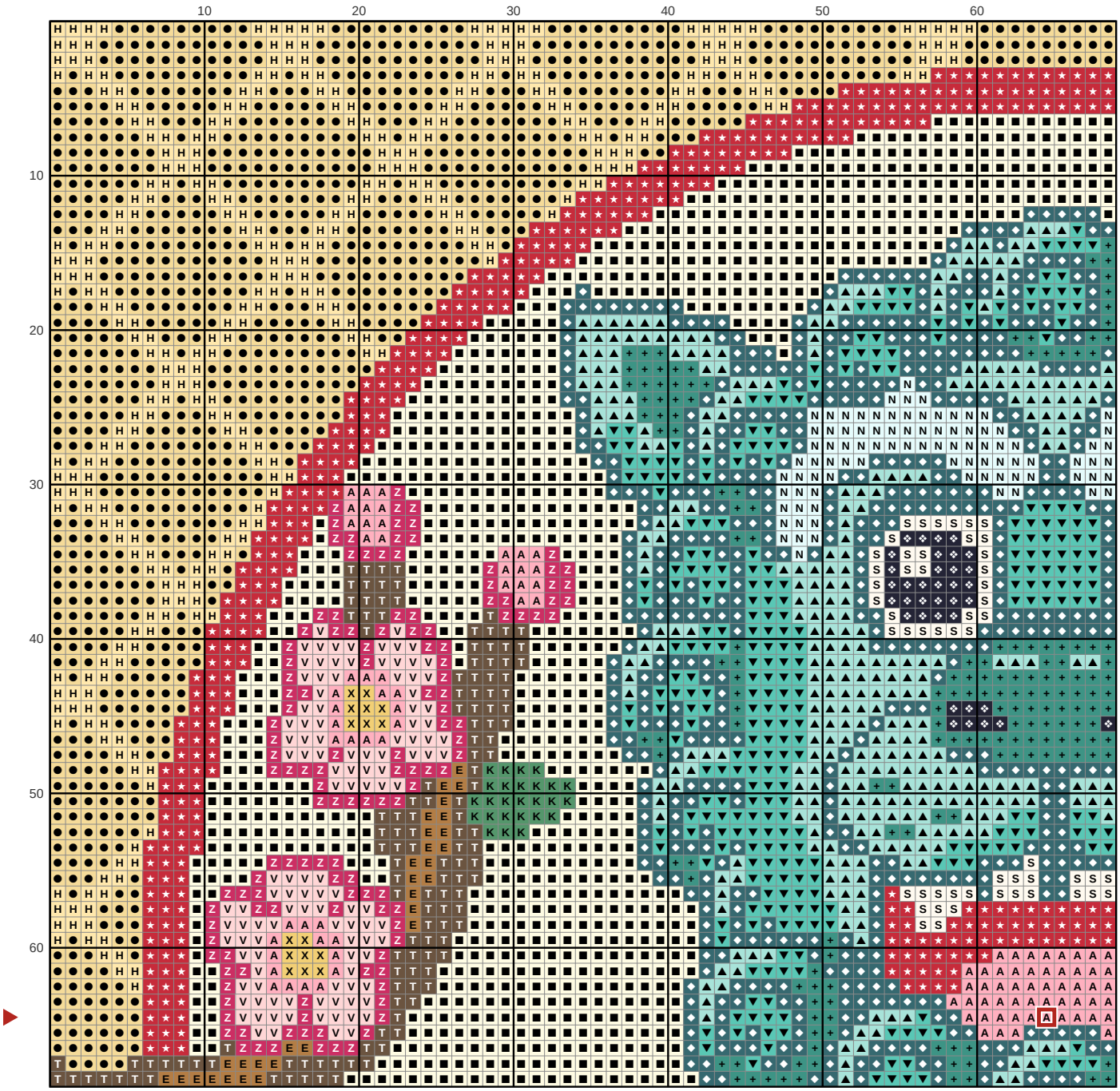
Thread colors are approximate screen matches to DMC numbers. Check against real thread before you buy.

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Columns 1 to 69, rows 1 to 69. Start at the red outline

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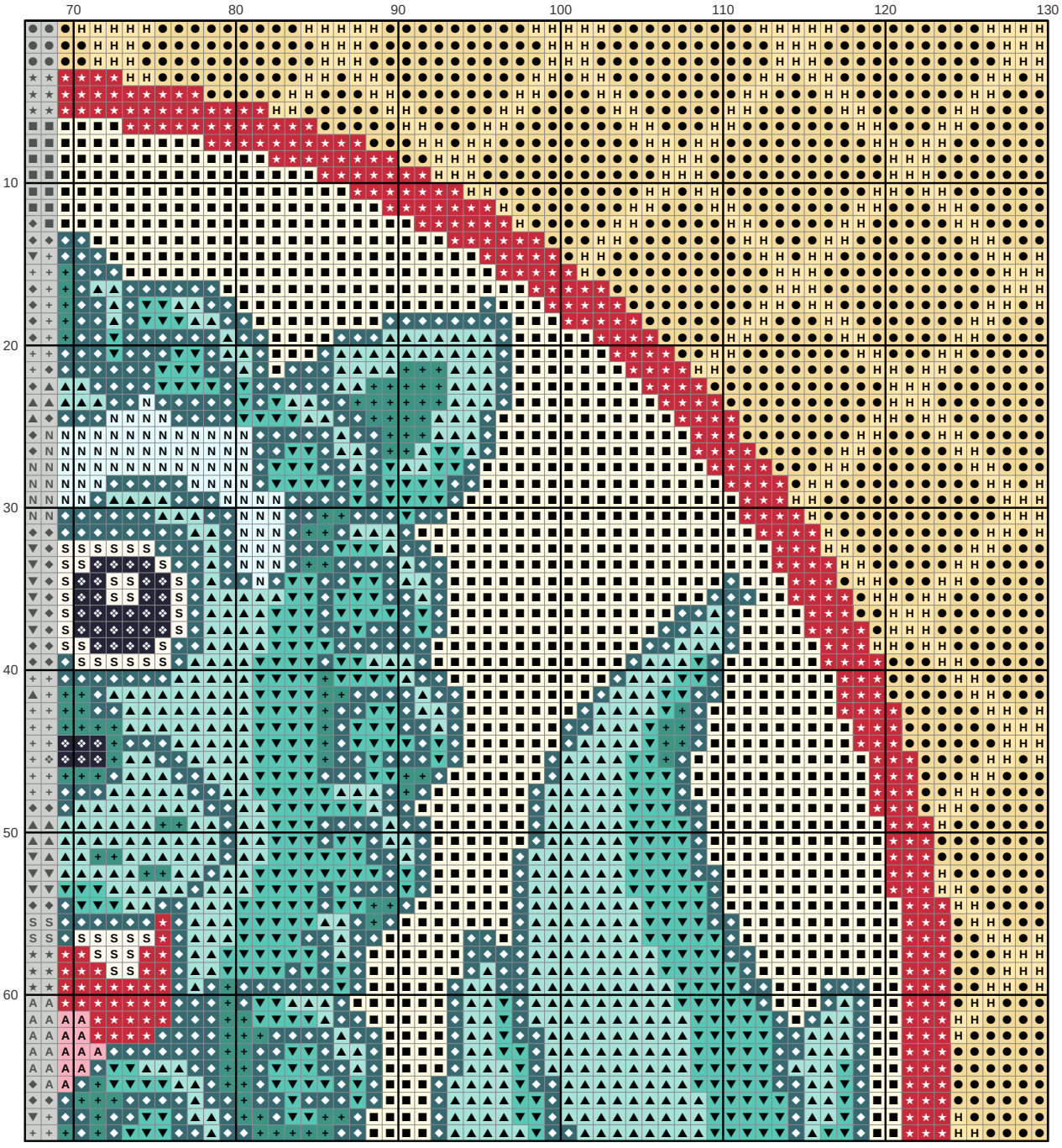
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- T **DMC 3781** Dark Mocha Brown
- N **DMC 747** Very Light Sky Blue
- S **DMC 712** Cream
- K **DMC 562** Medium Jade
- E **DMC 435** Very Light Brown

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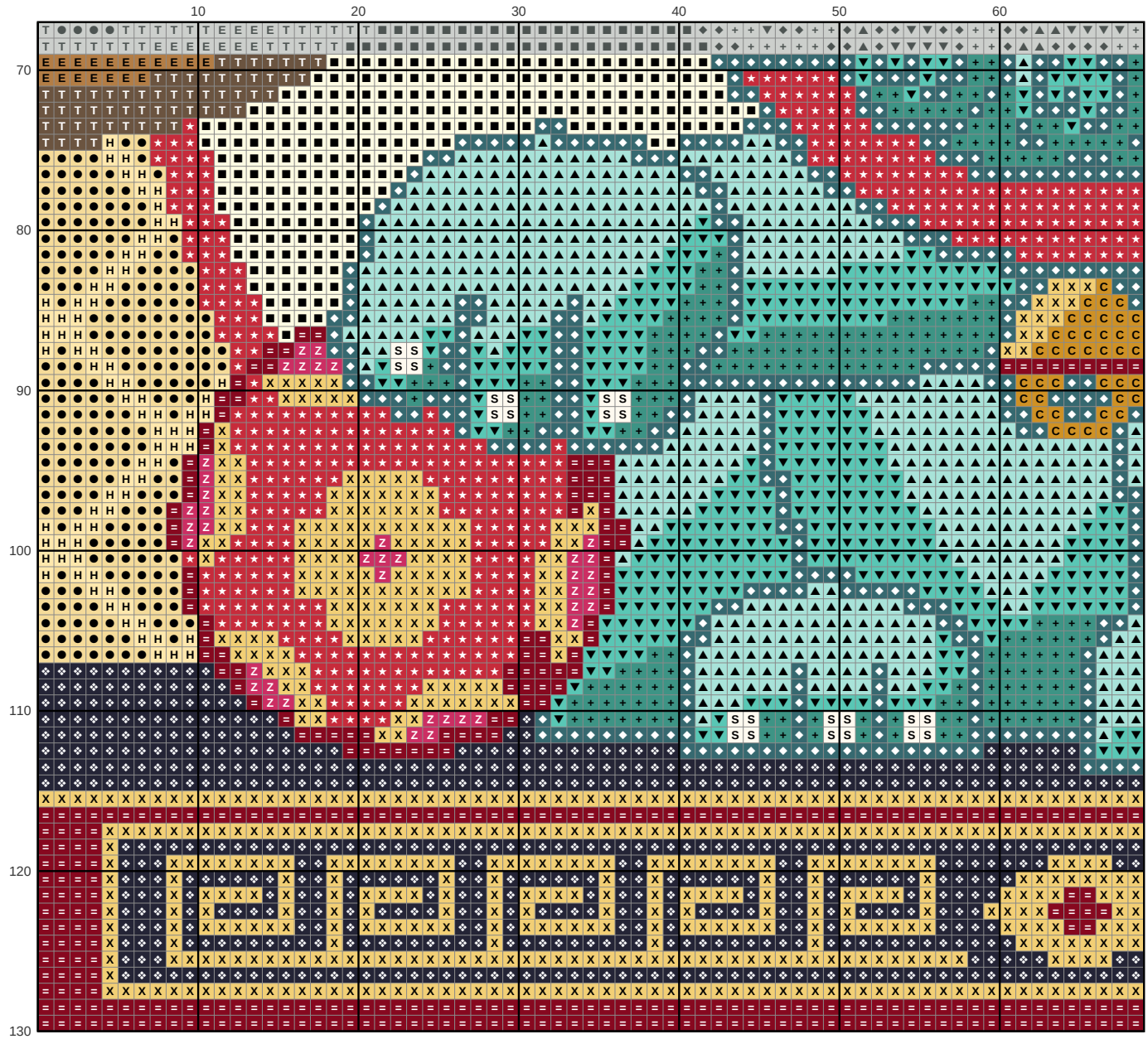
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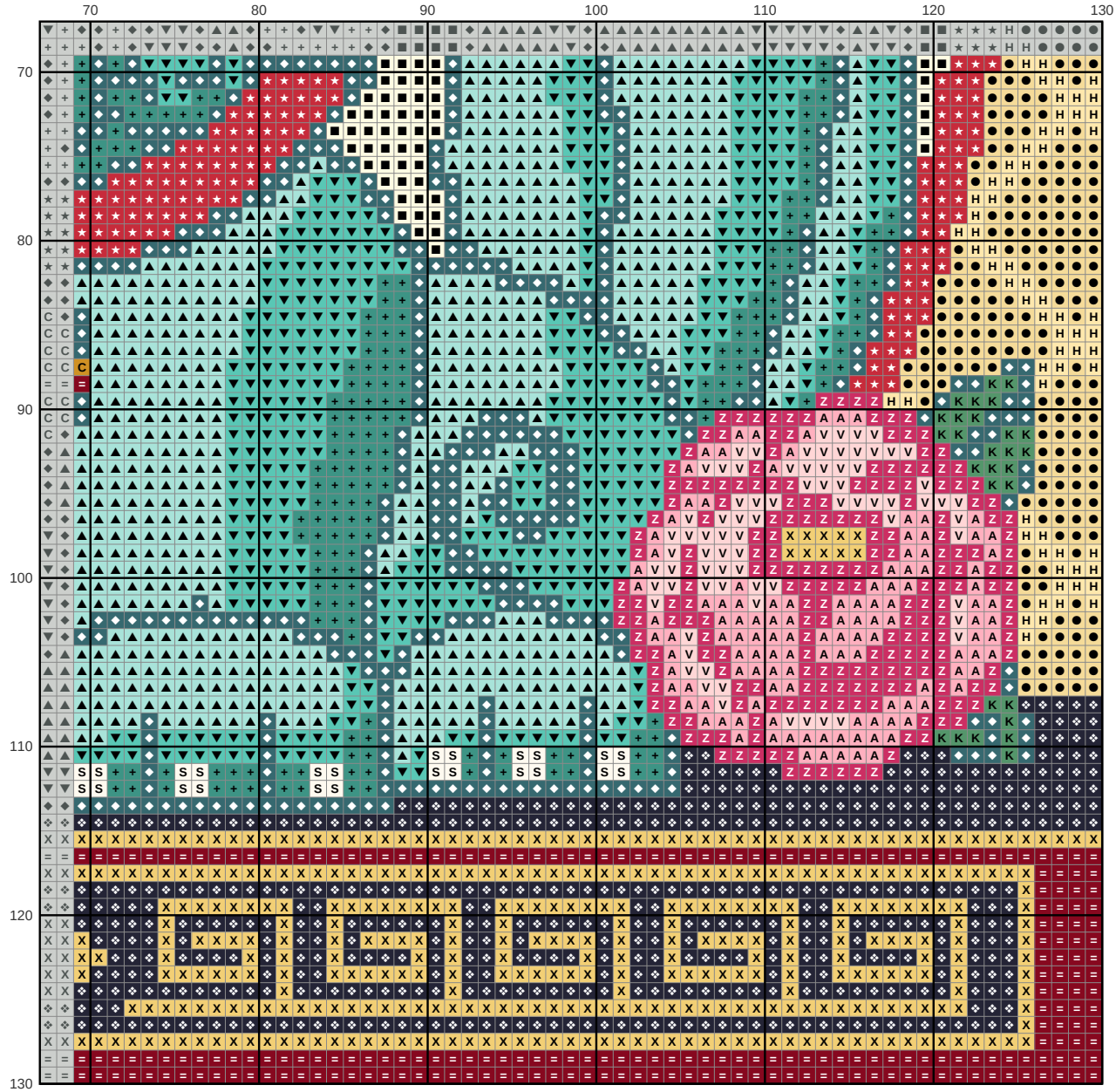
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