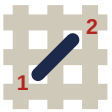
Whimsical nutcracker on a crescent moon

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 951): 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 37 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				stitches	skeins
●	939	Very Dark Navy Blue	4,517	8	=	745	Light Pale Yellow	372	1
■	823	Dark Navy Blue	2,575	4	Z	3810	Dark Turquoise	326	1
▲	336	Navy Blue	1,947	3	A	3808	Ultra Very Dark Turquoise	262	1
◆	322	Dark Baby Blue	1,348	3	V	3747	Very Light Blue Violet	257	1
▼	BLANC	White	1,196	2	T	951	Light Tawny	238	1
★	3325	Light Baby Blue	1,157	3	N	780	Ultra Very Dark Topaz	195	1
❖	3820	Dark Straw	686	1	S	815	Medium Garnet	189	1
X	3822	Light Straw	552	1	K	3712	Medium Salmon	95	1
H	783	Medium Topaz	458	1	E	758	Very Light Terra Cotta	82	1
+	321	Red	384	1	C	598	Light Turquoise	64	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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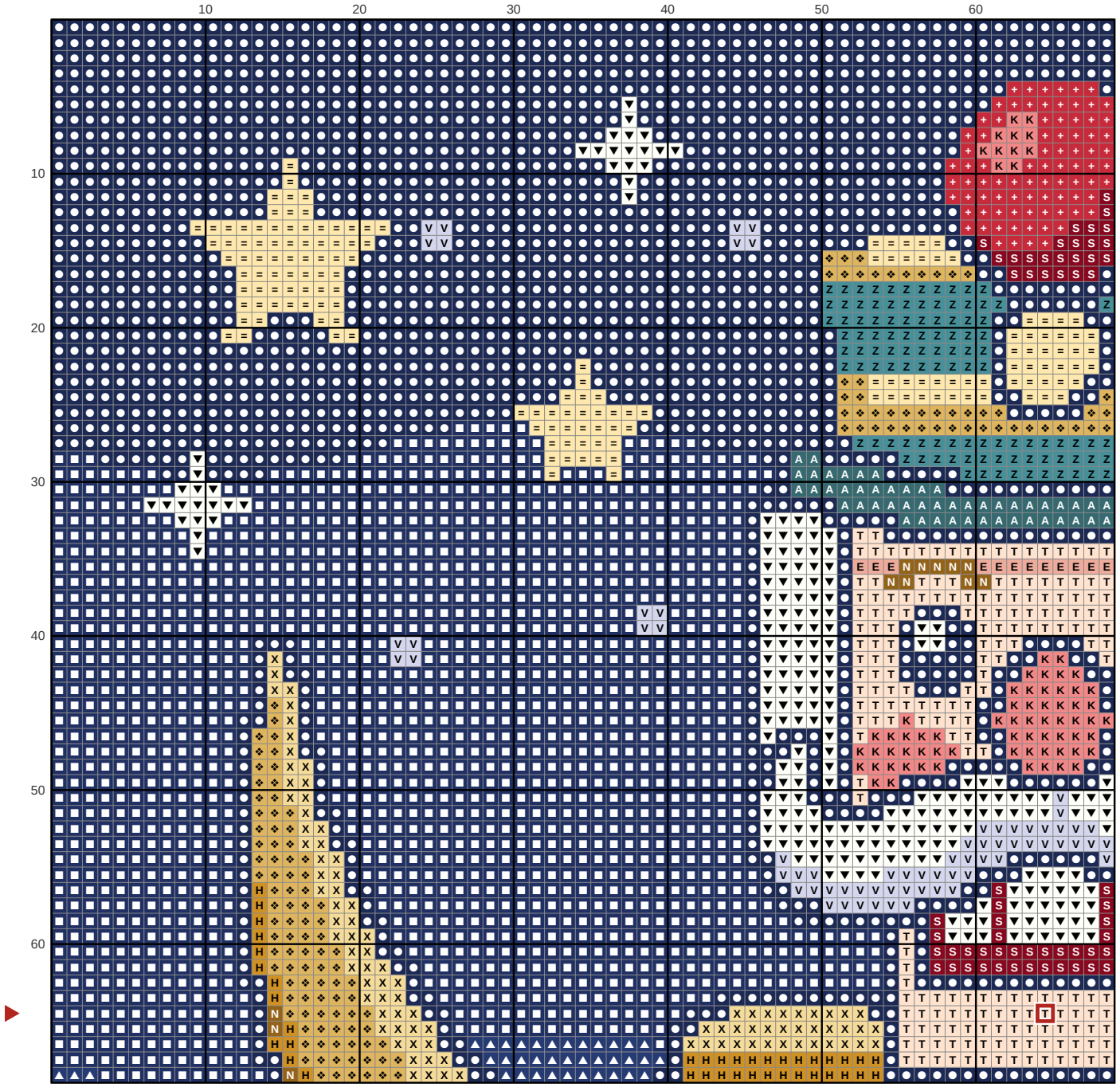

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- **DMC 336** Navy Blue
- **DMC BLANC** White
- **DMC 3820** Dark Straw
- **DMC 3822** Light Straw
- **DMC 783** Medium Topaz
- **DMC 321** Red
- **DMC 745** Light Pale Yellow
- **DMC 3810** Dark Turquoise
- **DMC 3808** Ultra Very Dark Turquoise
- **DMC 3747** Very Light Blue Violet
- **DMC 951** Light Tawny
- **DMC 780** Ultra Very Dark Topaz
- **DMC 815** Medium Garnet
- **DMC 3712** Medium Salmon
- **DMC 758** Very Light Terra Cotta

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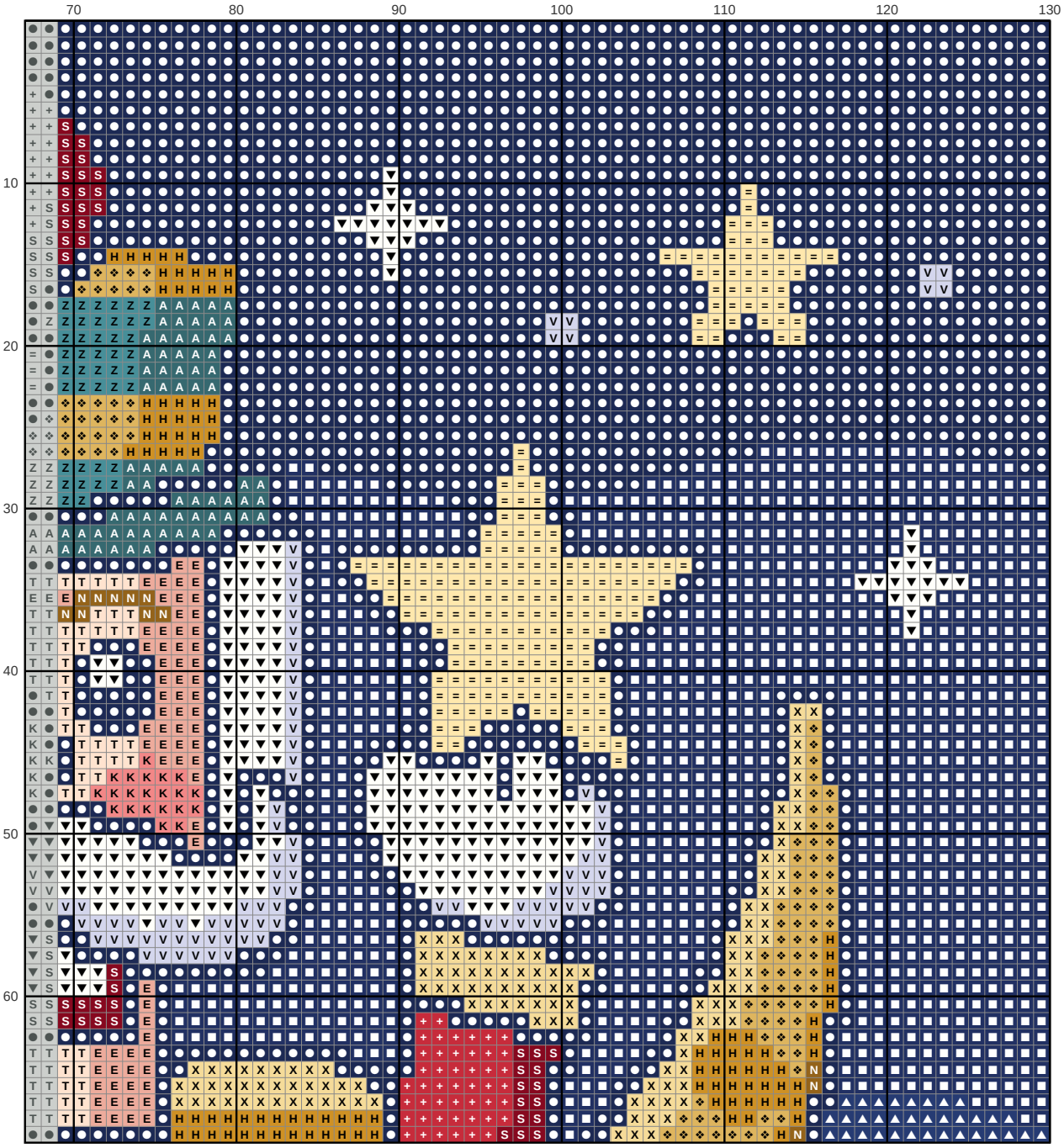

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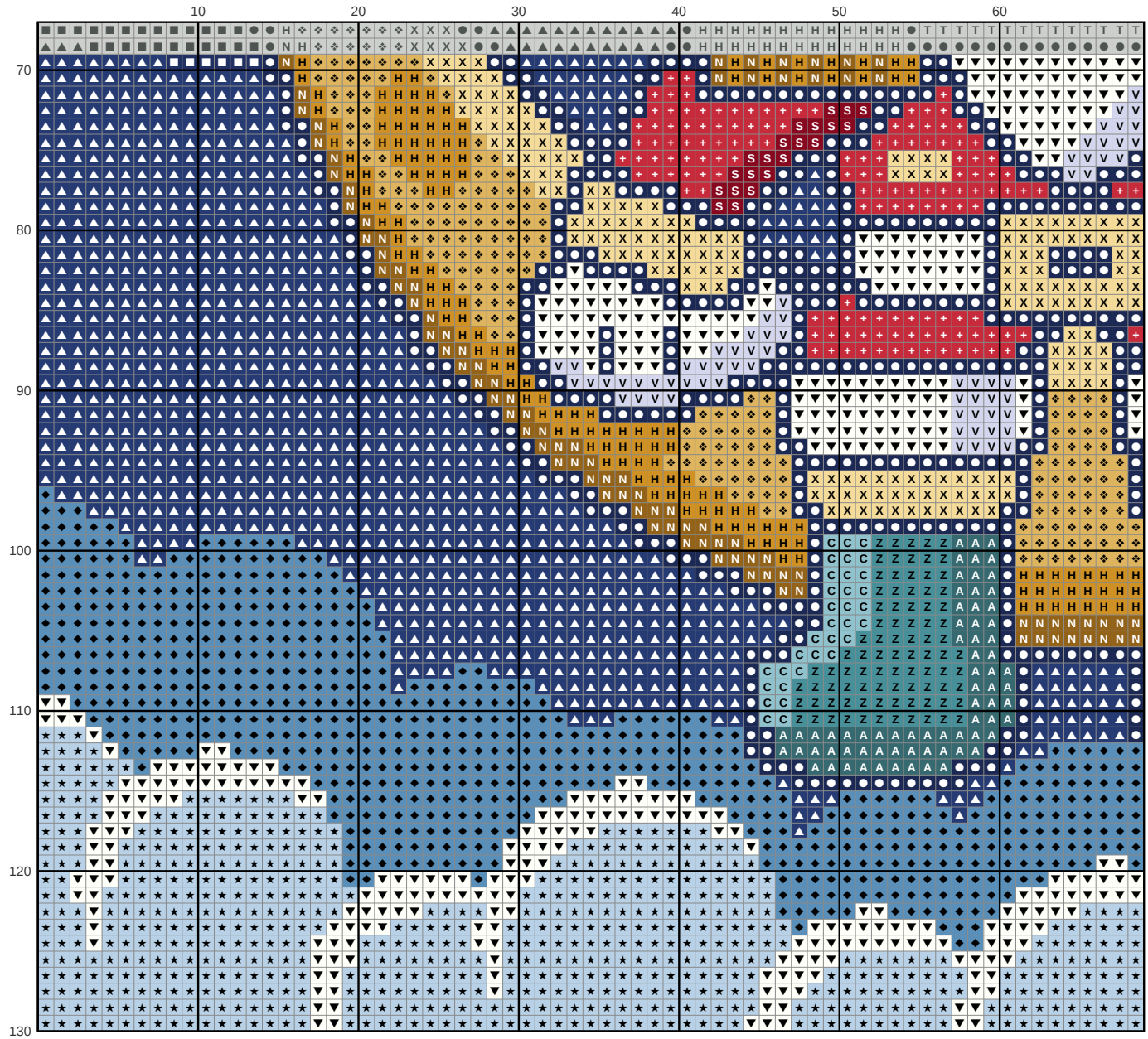

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- **DMC 3820** Dark Straw
- **DMC 3822** Light Straw
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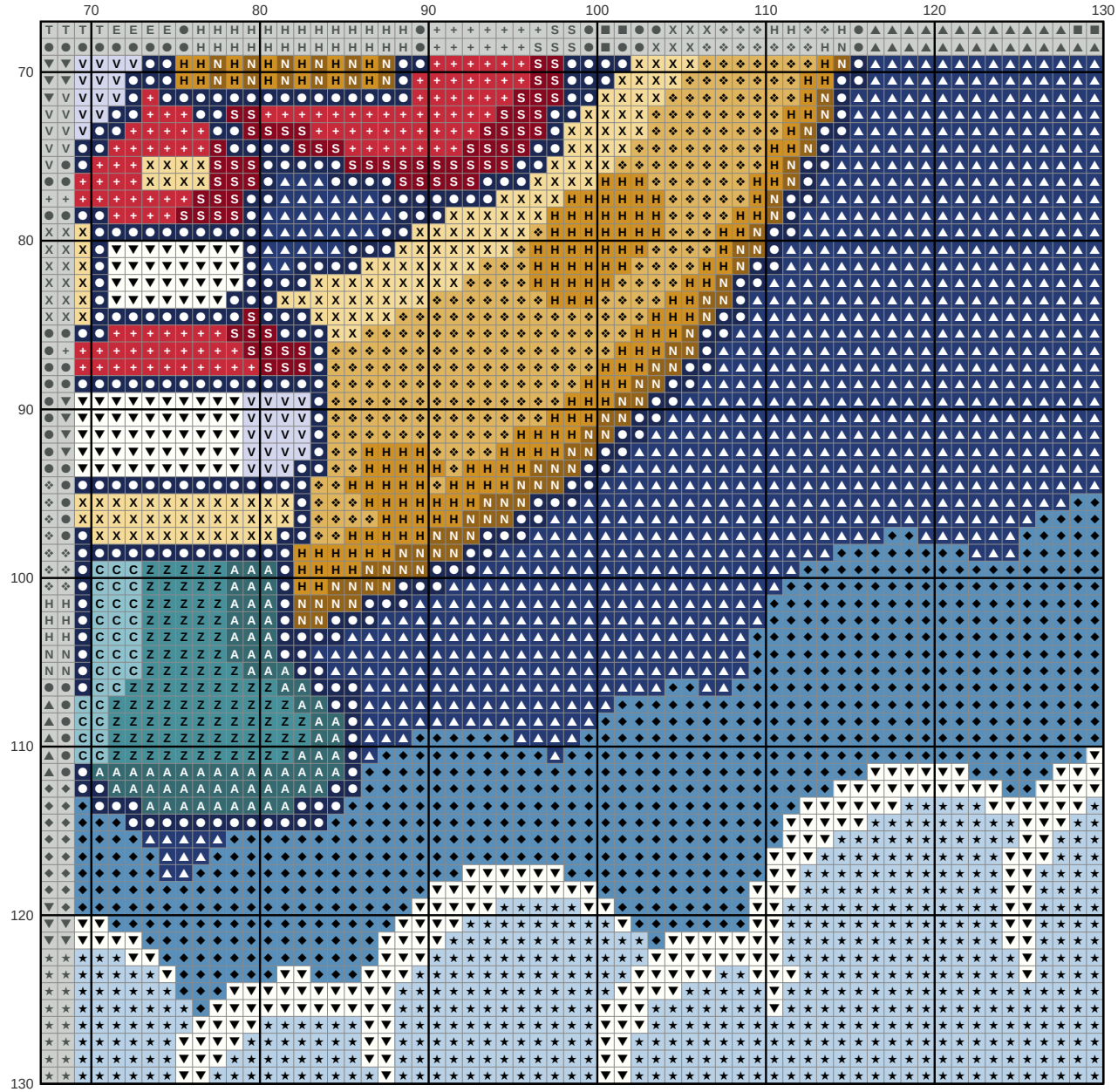

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