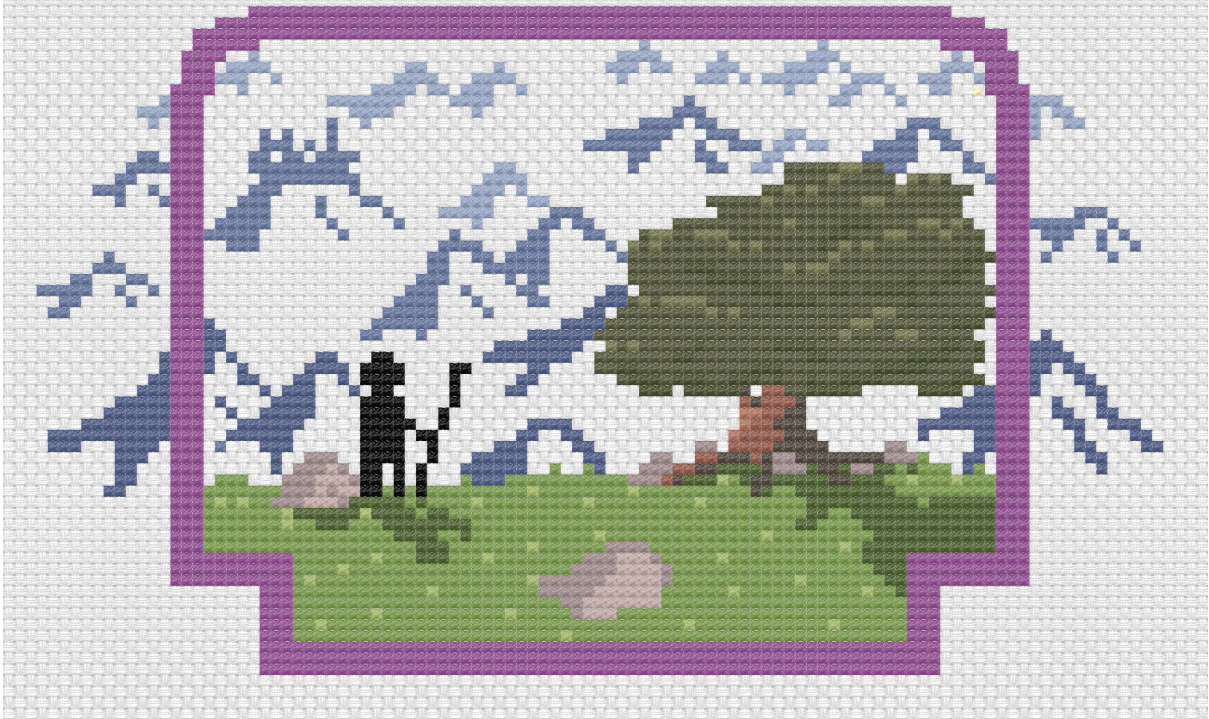


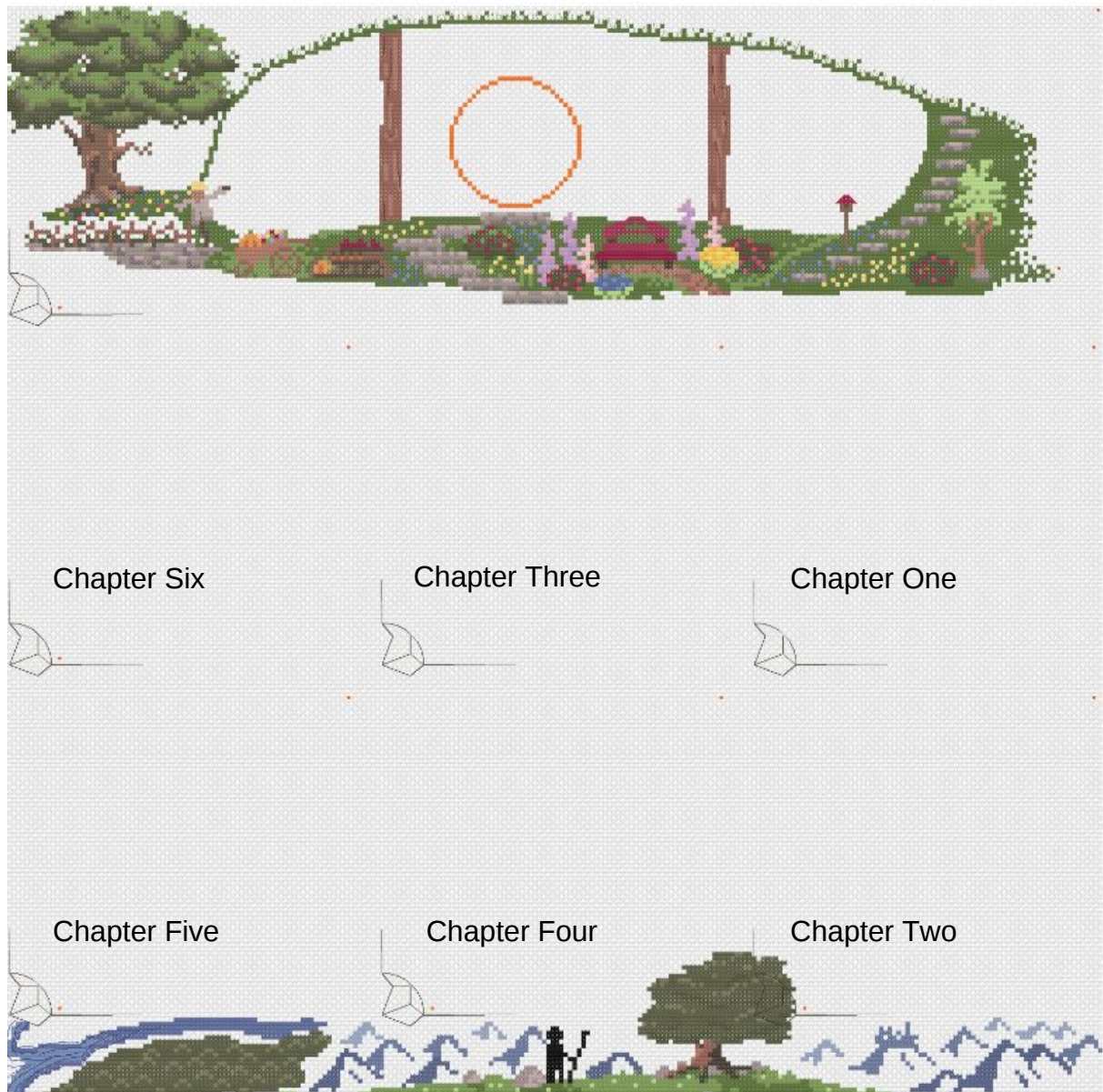
STITCH YOUR OWN ADVENTURE

WANDERING IN MIDDLE-EARTH



Chapter Six

Elves



Chapter Map

Dear Bilbo,

Given how dangerous it is becoming to travel, I think that it would be best if I found somewhere to retreat to, somewhere I could hide away and stay safe.

I know what most people would say, that "there's no place like home" or even that "home is where the heart is. After all my travels though, I just don't know if the Shire feels like home to me anymore.

I looked back at my travels, and I figured out what sort of place would be ideal for me.'

¹ What sort of place would you find peaceful?

- The hills and mountains Page 4
- The shore Page 55
- The forest and woods Page 77
- Gardens Page 104

Somewhere in the hills and valleys, somewhere peaceful. And one place immediately sprung to mind, Somewhere that I actually heard about from you. Rivendell, to stay with the elves.

I have to hand it to you Bilbo, the place is beautiful, and Elrond has asked me to tell you that when you plan to leave the Shire, you should join us here.. There would be plenty for you to do.²

² What do you like to do when you're relaxing?

- Going out for walks Page 5
- Reading books Page 12
- Talking with friends Page 19
- Enjoying music Page 27
- Creating art Page 35

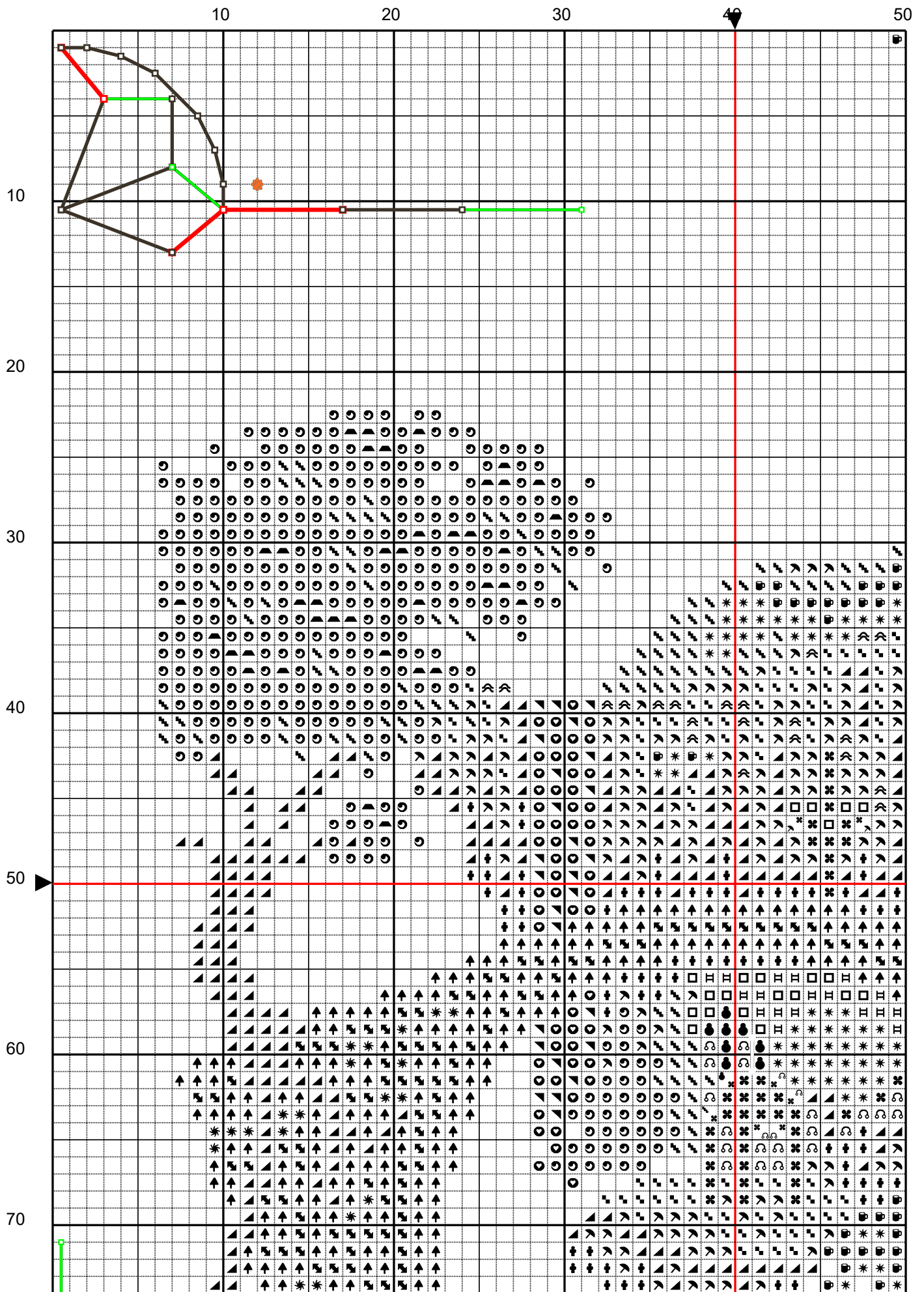
For me, I haven't been able to shake off my wandering streak, and I like to go for walks through the valley.

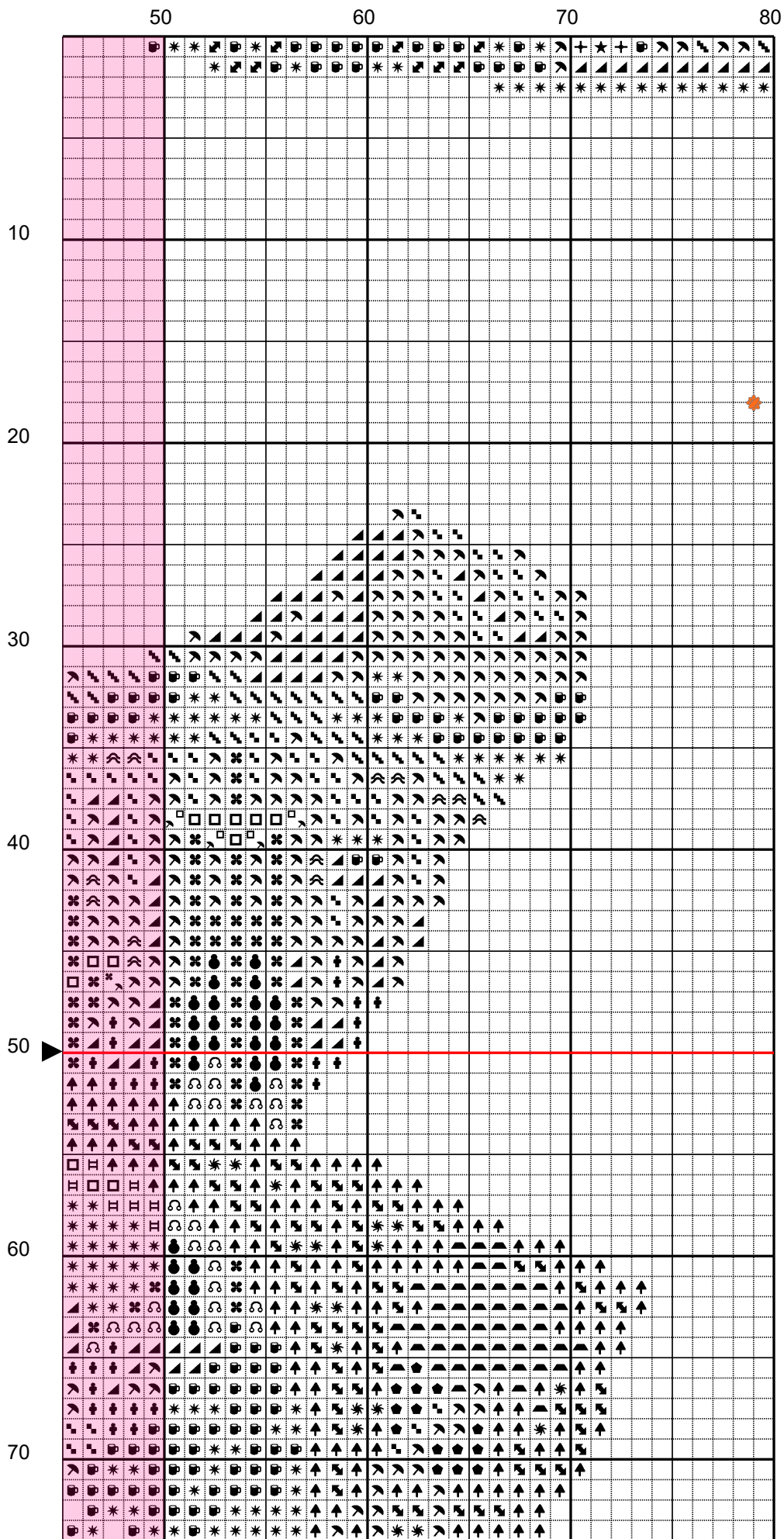
Elrond has warned me that the protections of the elves only extends to the valley, but I have found a lovely spot by the entrance to Rivendell that I like to walk to and look up the valley. The bridge is beautiful, and I would love to take you there when you come to stay.

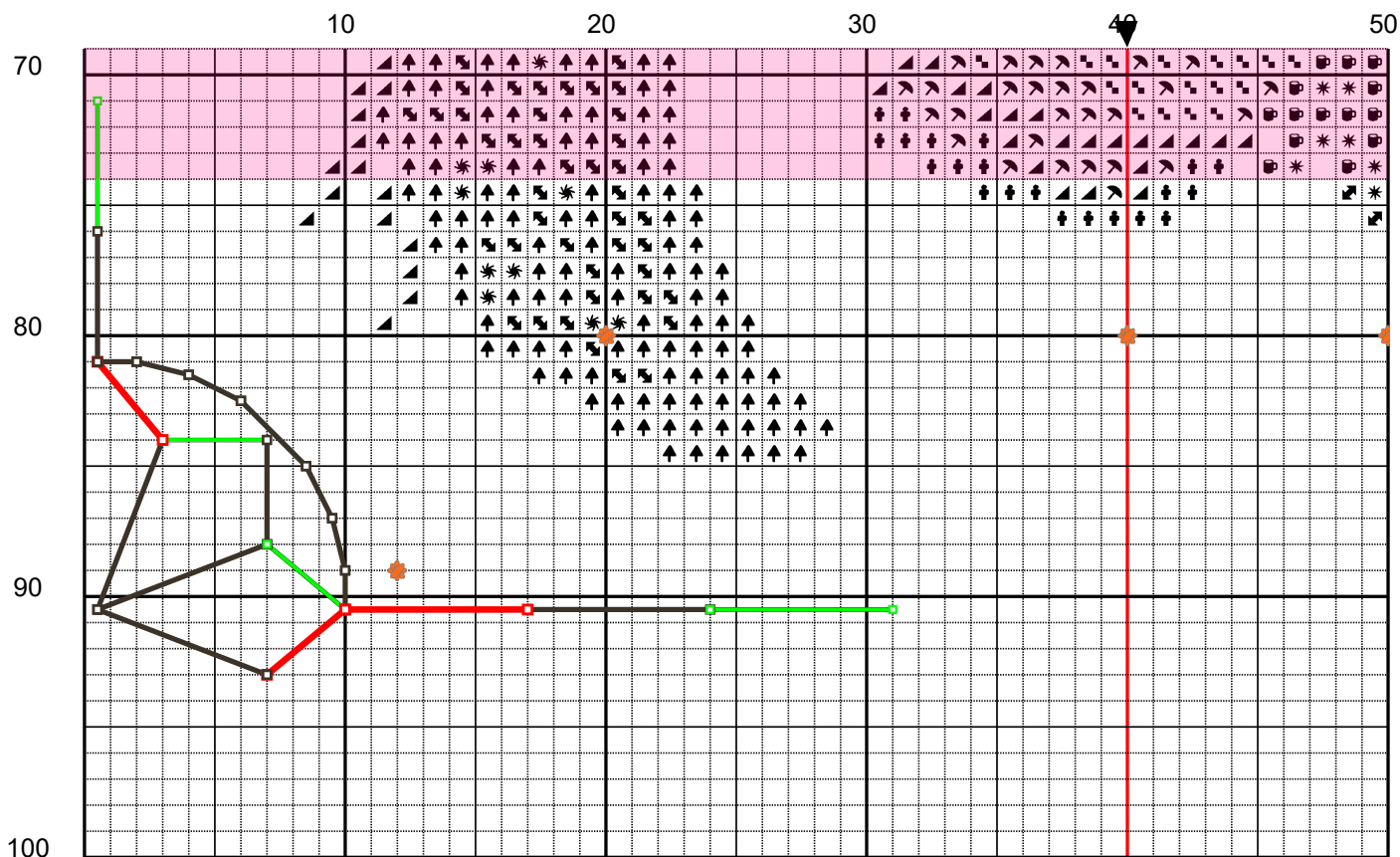
Keep stay safe my friend, I'll see you soon.

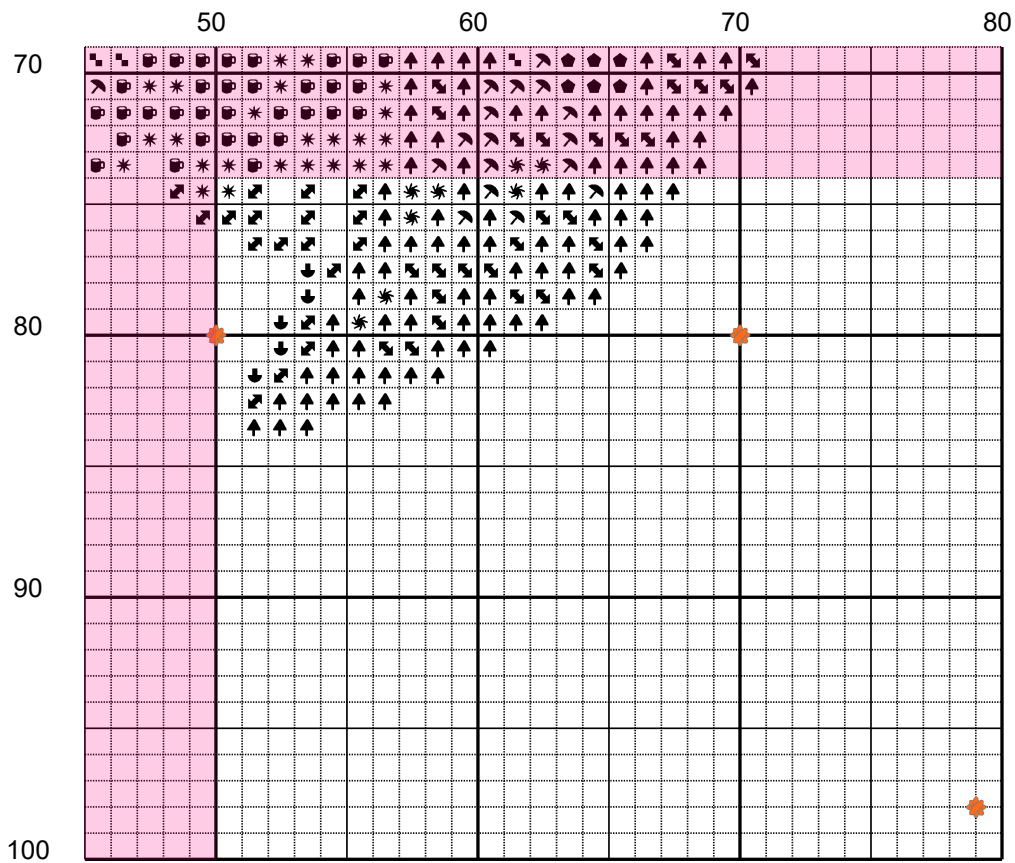
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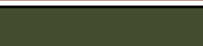
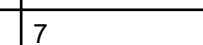










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I have found from your letters, and you telling me about the stories that you have been writing, that I have found a desire to read more.

When Elrond welcomed me to Rivendell, he showed me to their library. Bilbo, you would not believe the collection of books that they have. So many stories of adventures throughout the history of Middle Earth. They even have stories of countries that no longer exist, a place called Numenor that has since sunk beneath the waves.

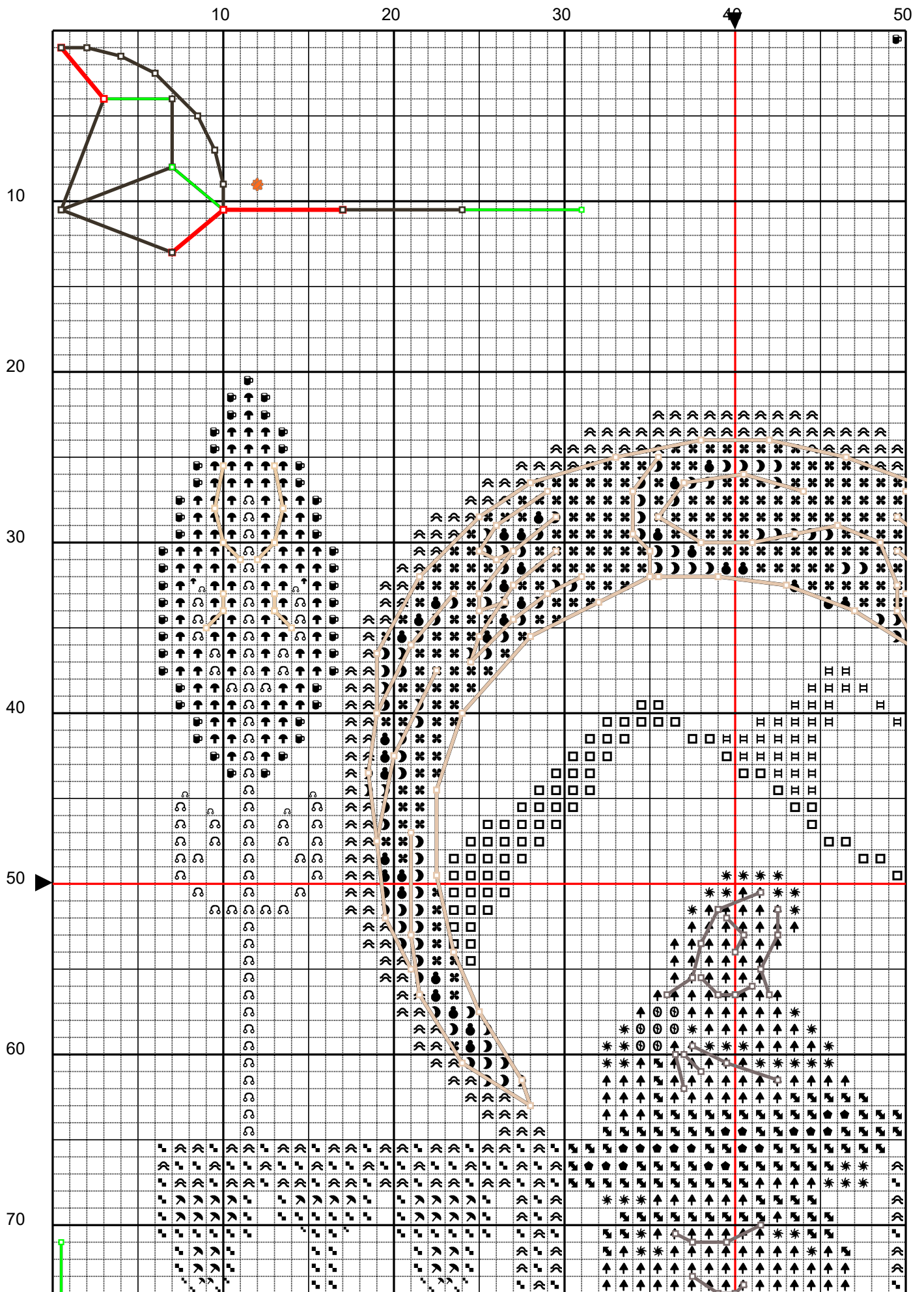
On one of the levels of the library, they have a statue, it holds the broken shards of Narsil, the sword that cut the Ring from Saurons hand. It was a thrill to see, but I dared not touch it out of respect.

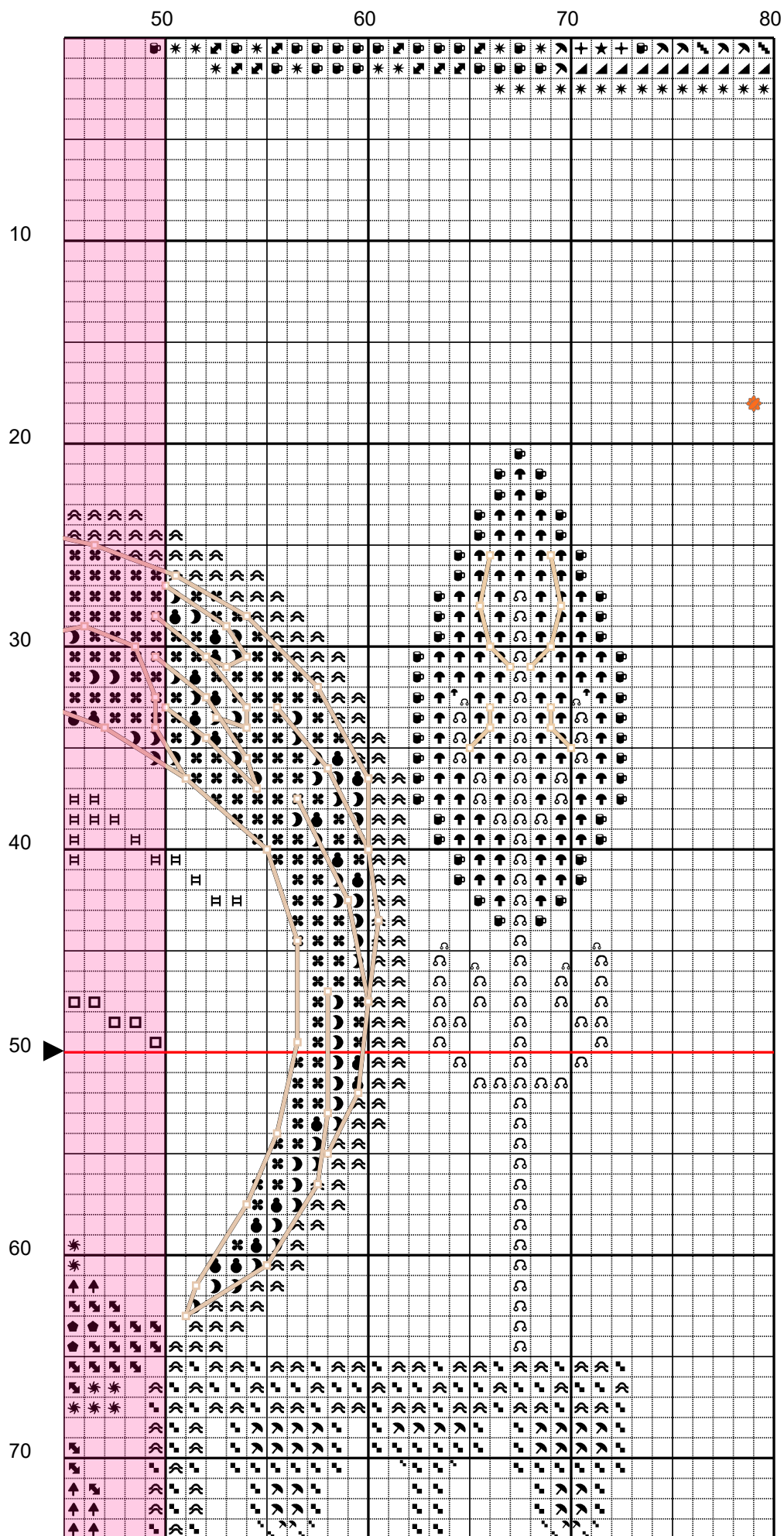
I love to spend my time there, among the books and relics of adventures past. Maybe I should write up my adventures and see if they could be added to the library here.

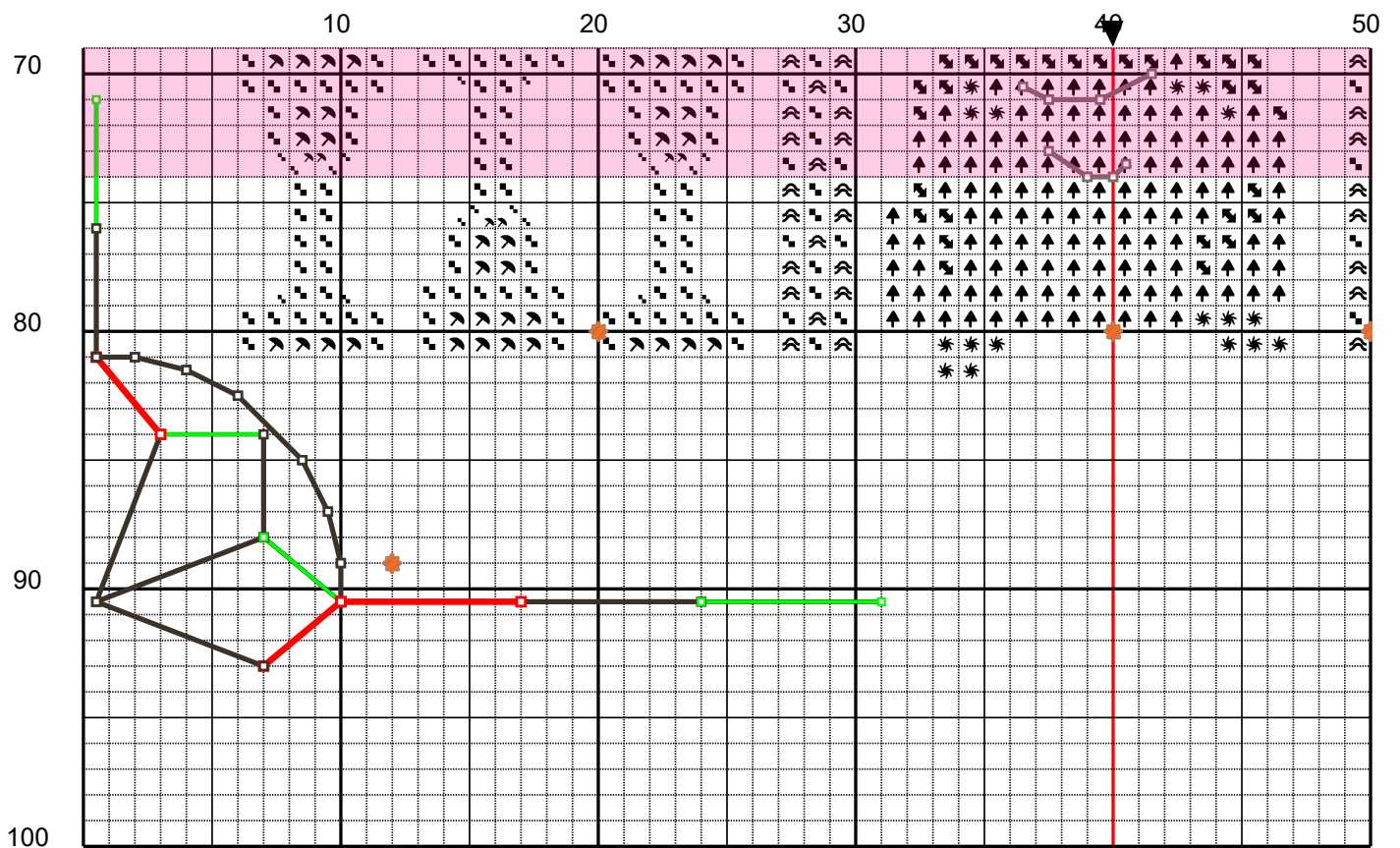
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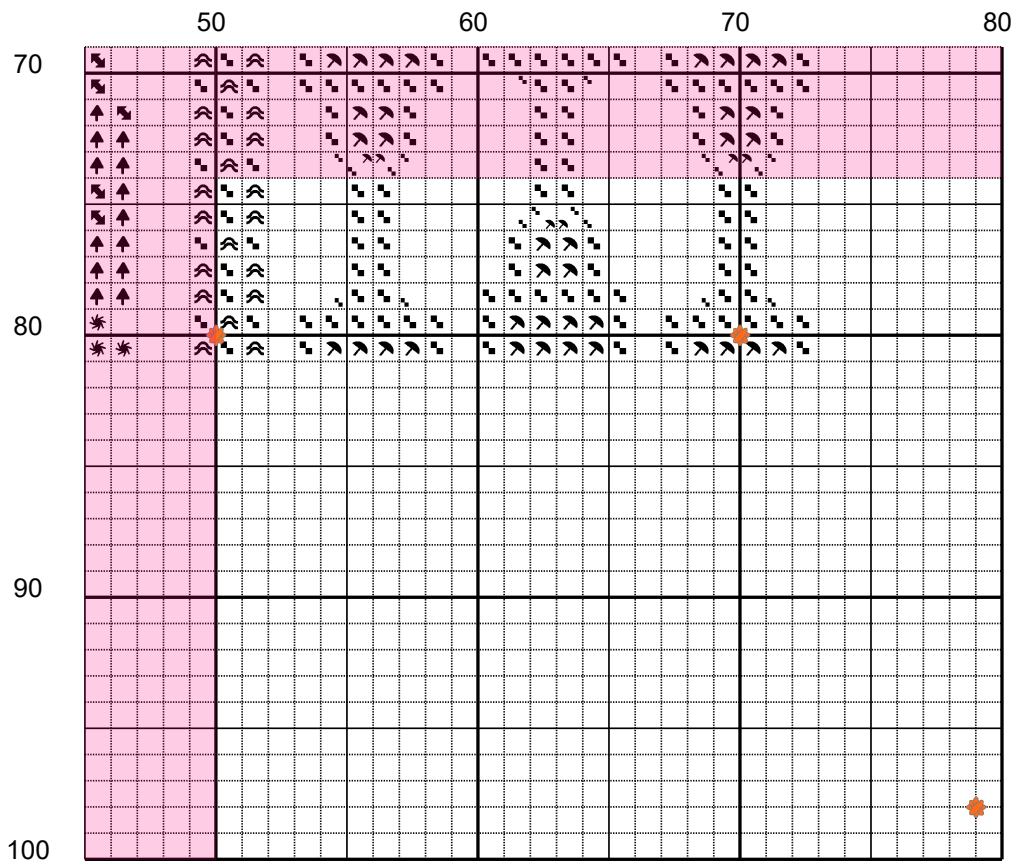
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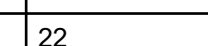










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	DMC 543	Beige Brown ultra	2	0	b/s only	
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∞	DMC 739	Tan ultra very light	2	0	156	
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▤	DMC 841	Beige Brown light	2	0	327	
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☐	DMC 3347	Yellow Green Med	2	0	114	
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↖	DMC 3772	Desert Sand very dark	2	0	9	
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DMC 3787 (2 str)	Brown Grey					25
						
DMC 3787 (3 str)	(3) Brown Grey dark					6
						

Now you may think, due to my disappearing from the Shire, that I prefer to be alone. In reality though, I prefer to be with people. People that are as outgoing as me, who I can sit with and share stories of many adventures. It's why I have been writing to you all this time after all.

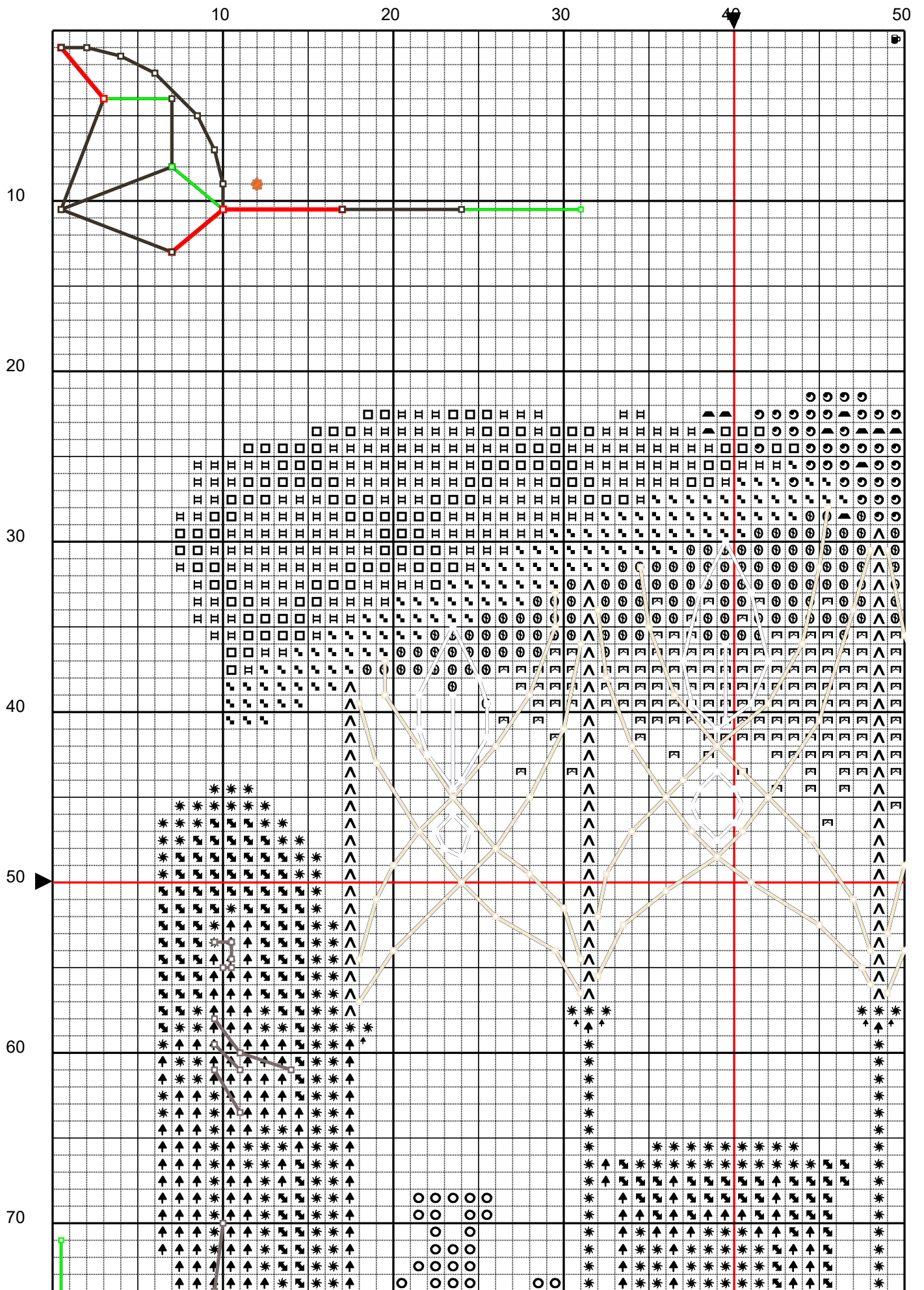
Elrond and the rest of the people of Rivendell have so many stories to share, they have lived such long and rich lives. Did you know that many of them have been about since the time of the two trees of Valinor? Ages have passed and they are still having adventures, with more on the horizon.

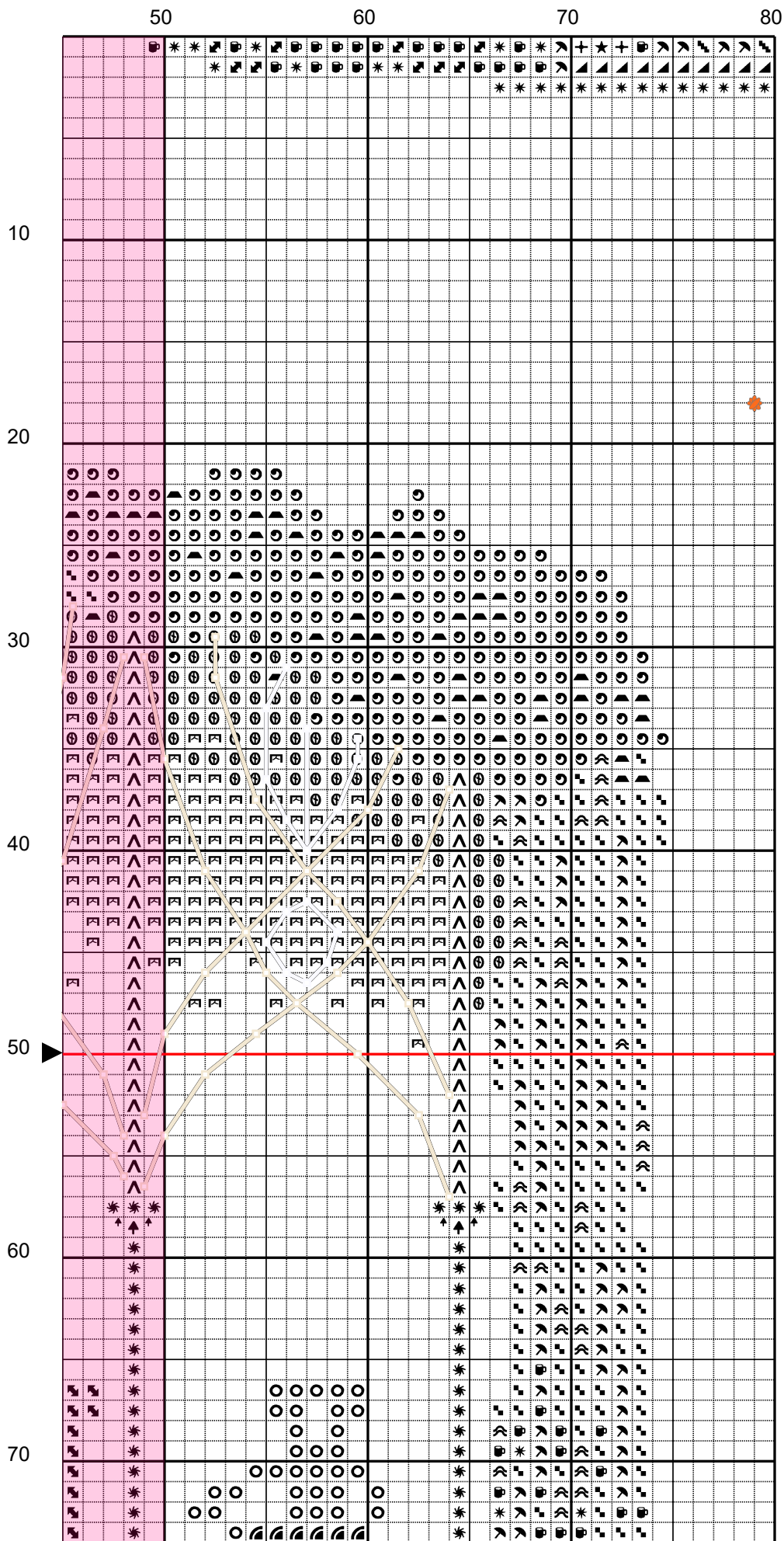
There is a gathering place here, Elrond calls it his Council Room, where people get together, sit together in a circle and discuss matters at hand. I like to sit there to share my stories with them, and I hope that when you get here soon, that I will get to share them all with you.

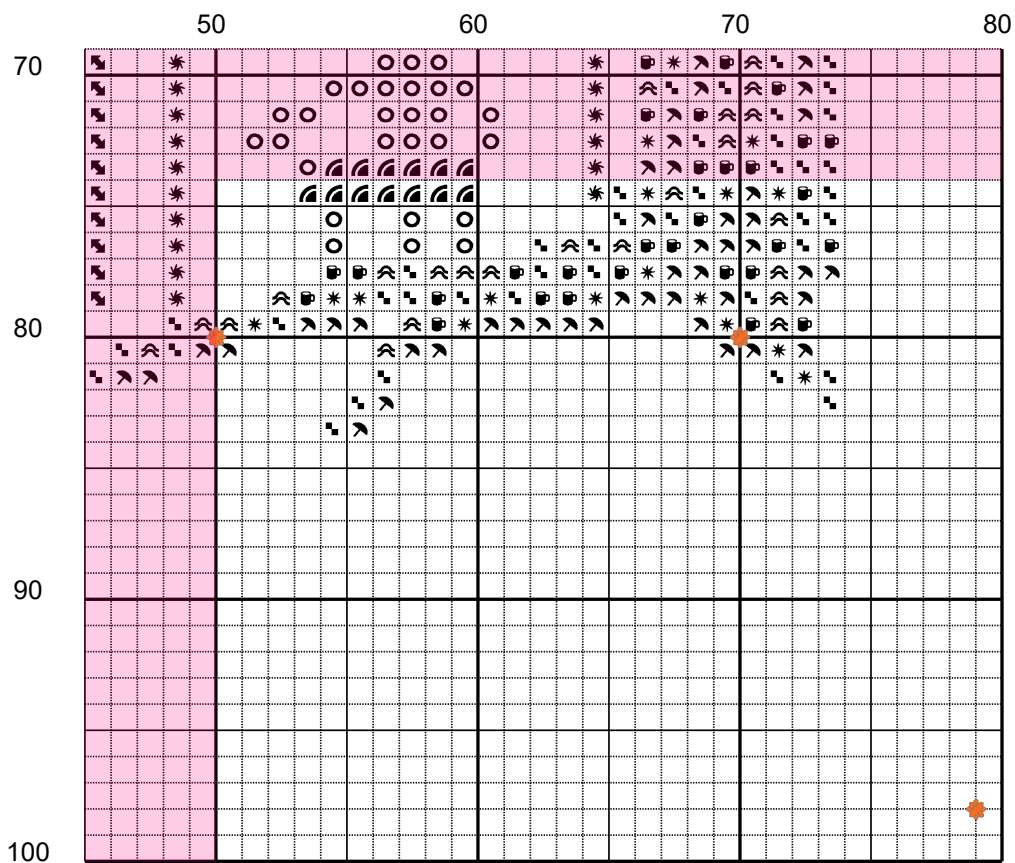
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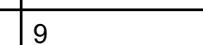
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⌘	DMC 3772	Desert Sand very dark	2	0	9	
	DMC 3787	(1) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	(3) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
★	DMC 3853	Autumn Gold dark	2	0	1	
+	DMC 3854	Autumn Gold medium	2	0	2	
	DMC B5200	Snow White	2	0	b/s only	
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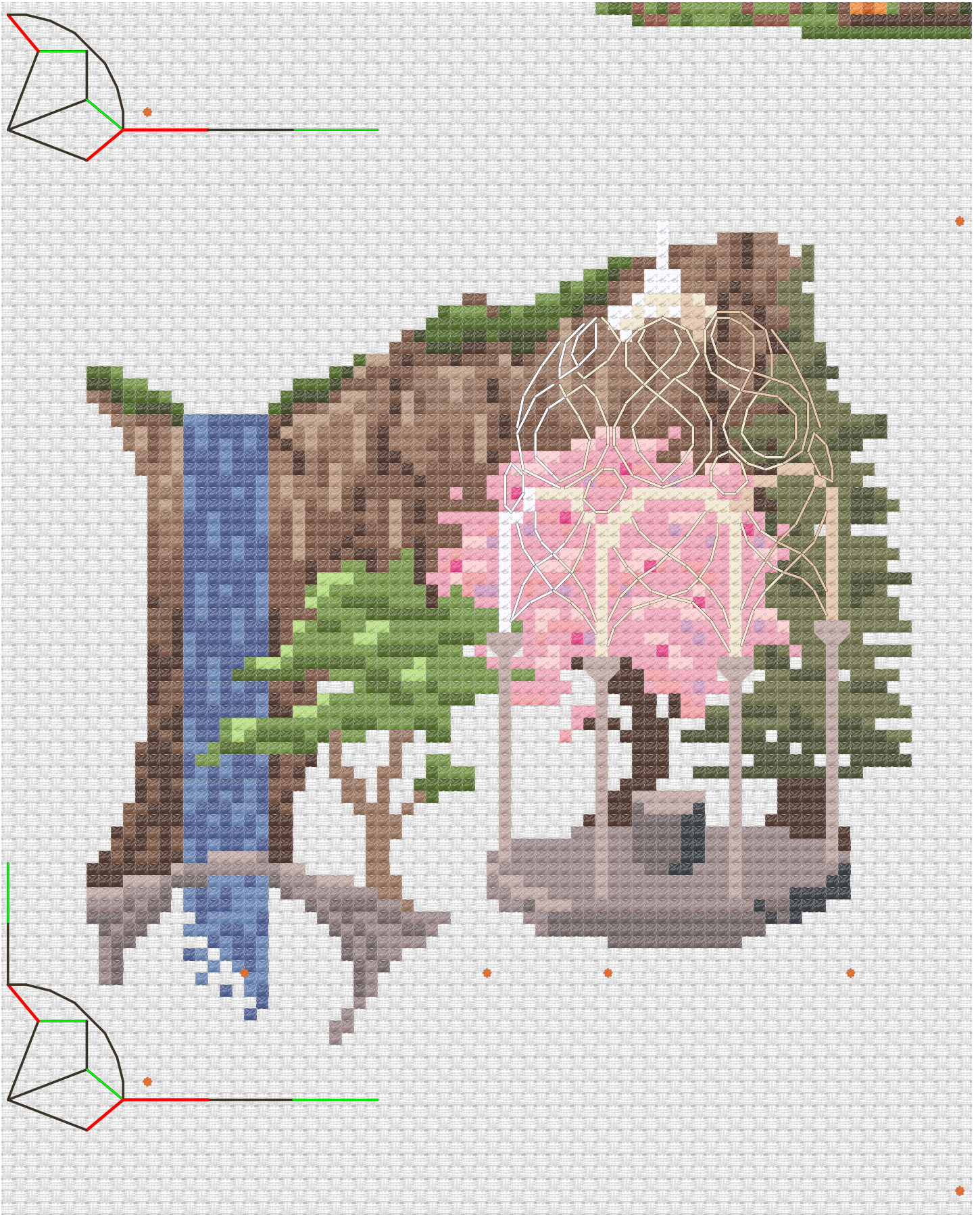
There is no better way to relax and share tales of adventures than through music. Those tales are the ones that live through the ages, that get passed down through the generations.

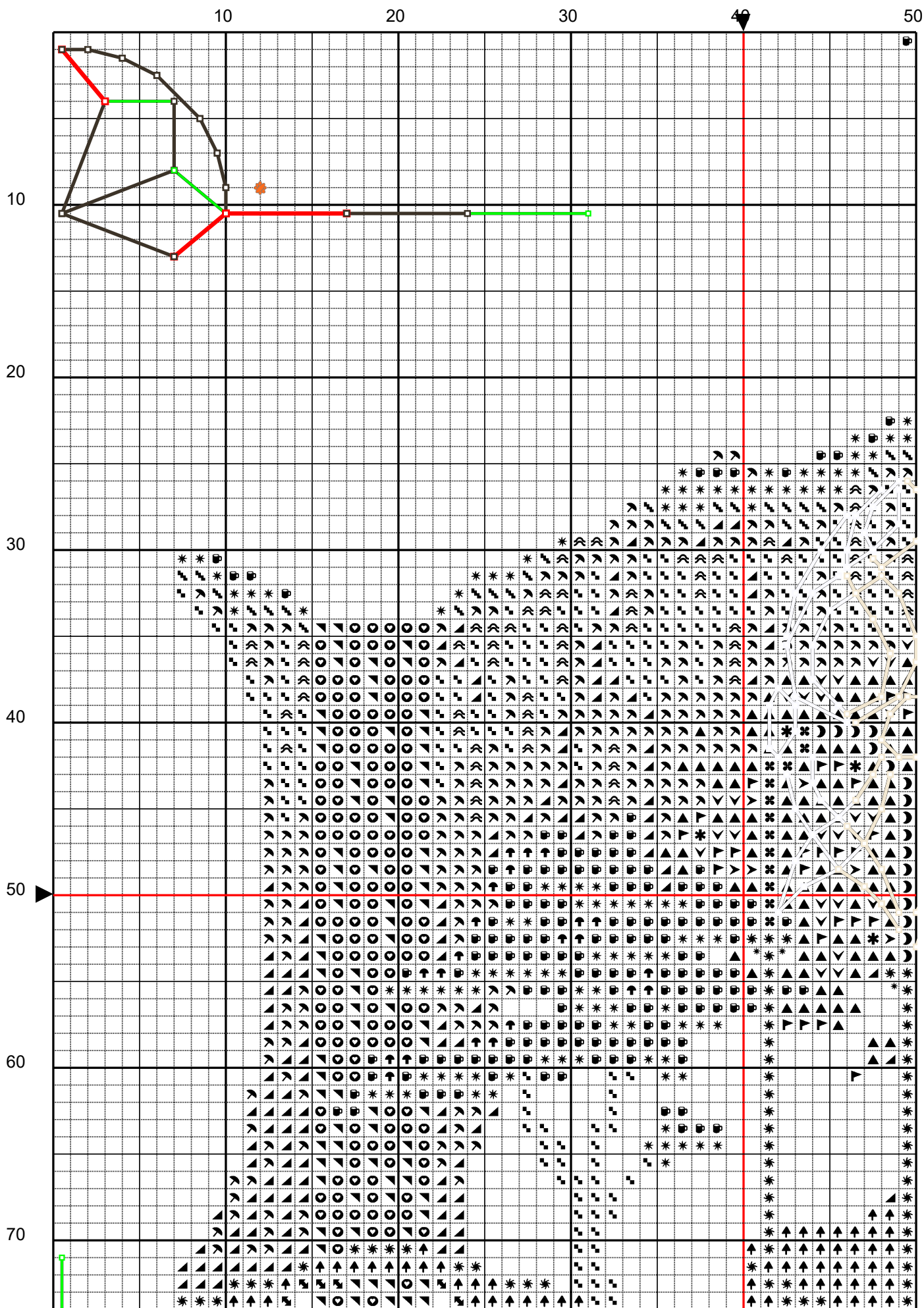
Many of the elves are skilled musicians, and I have been learning some of their craft with instruments. I find the stringed instruments take my fancy the best, mainly because I can also sing the lyrics while playing.

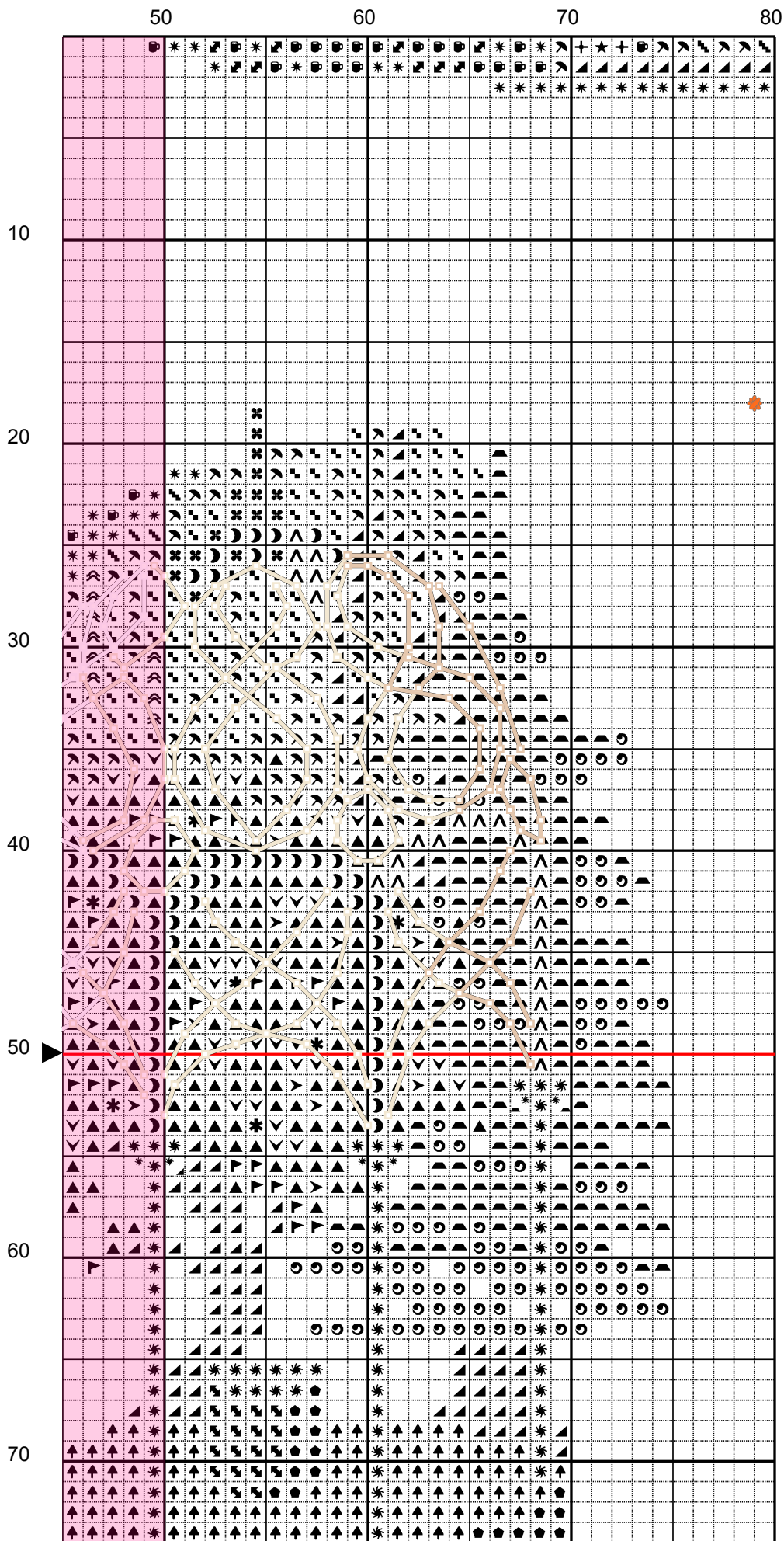
I have found a nice little spot to practice. It's out in nature, a bit secluded, and very peaceful. A lovely little gazebo. I sit there and while away the hours. Hopefully I can get good enough to play some tunes for you when you get here. Maybe I can even put some of your adventures to a tune for you?

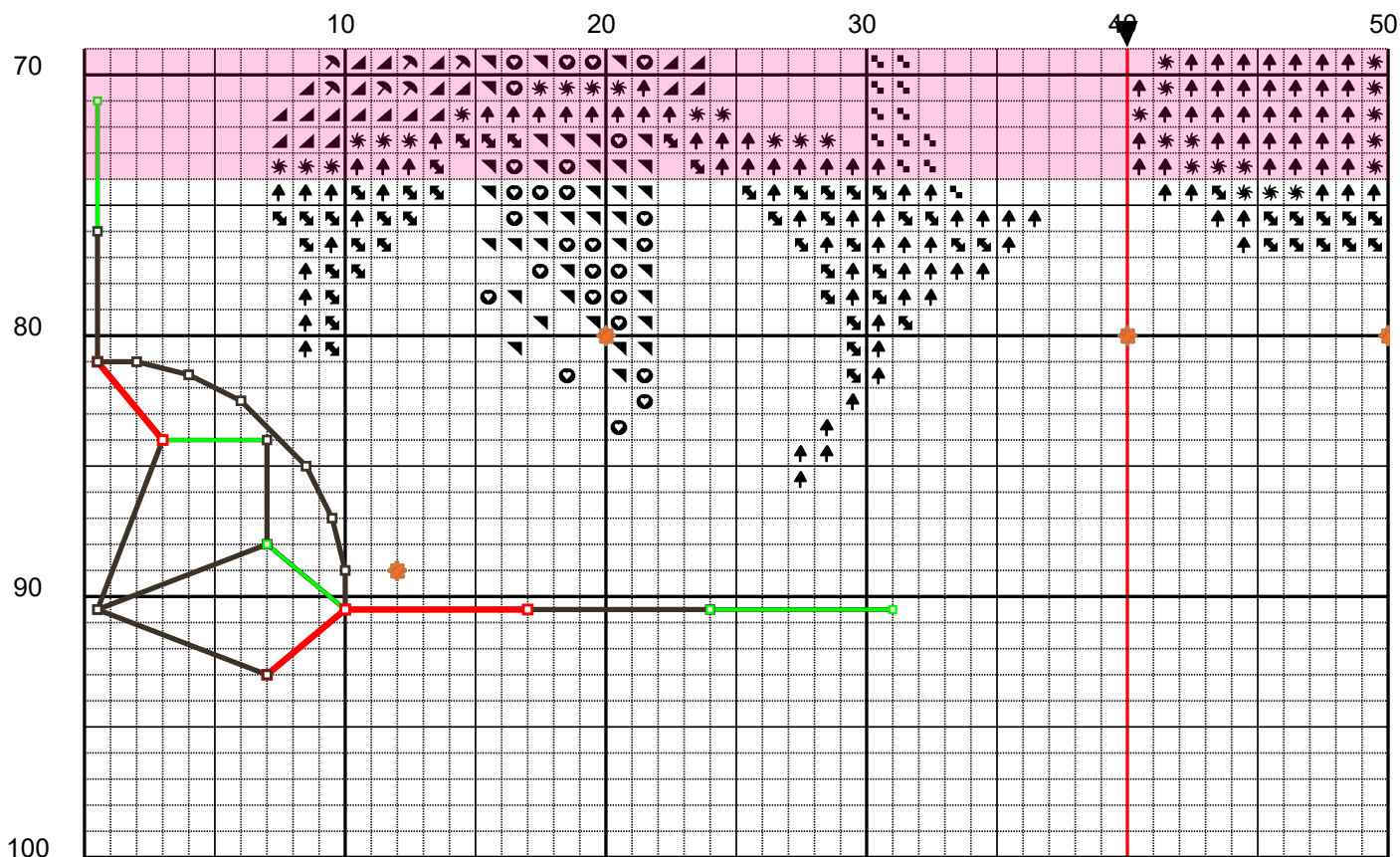
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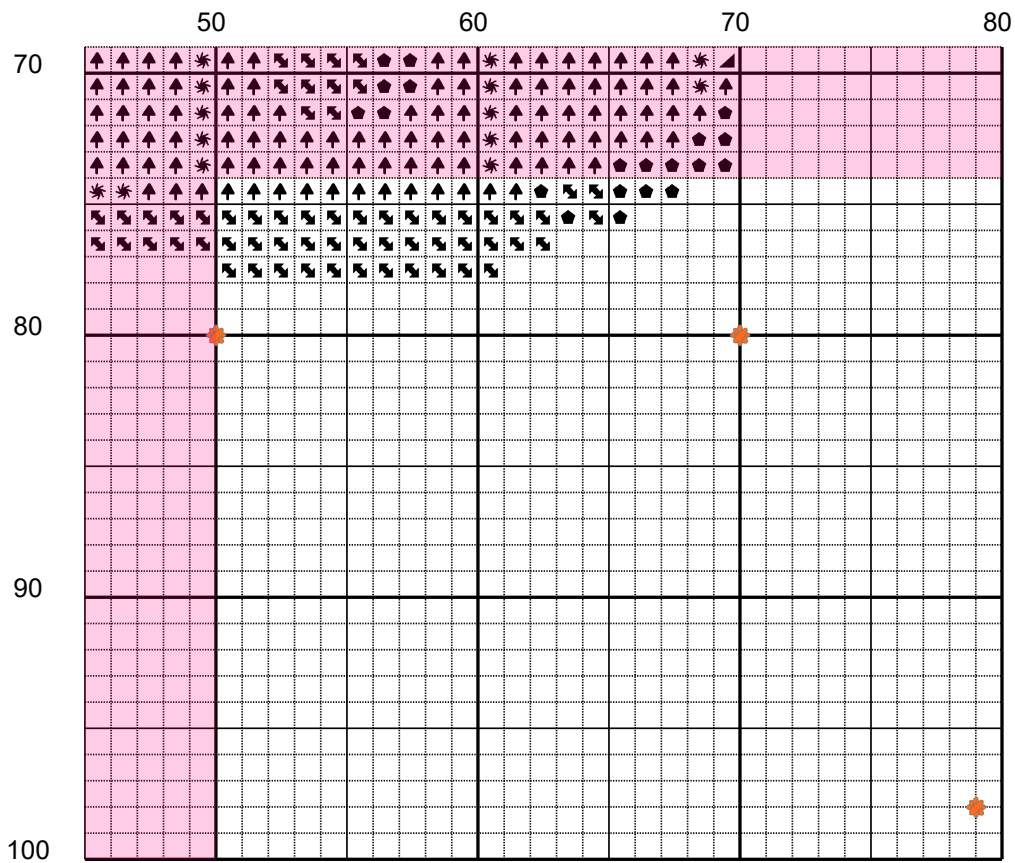
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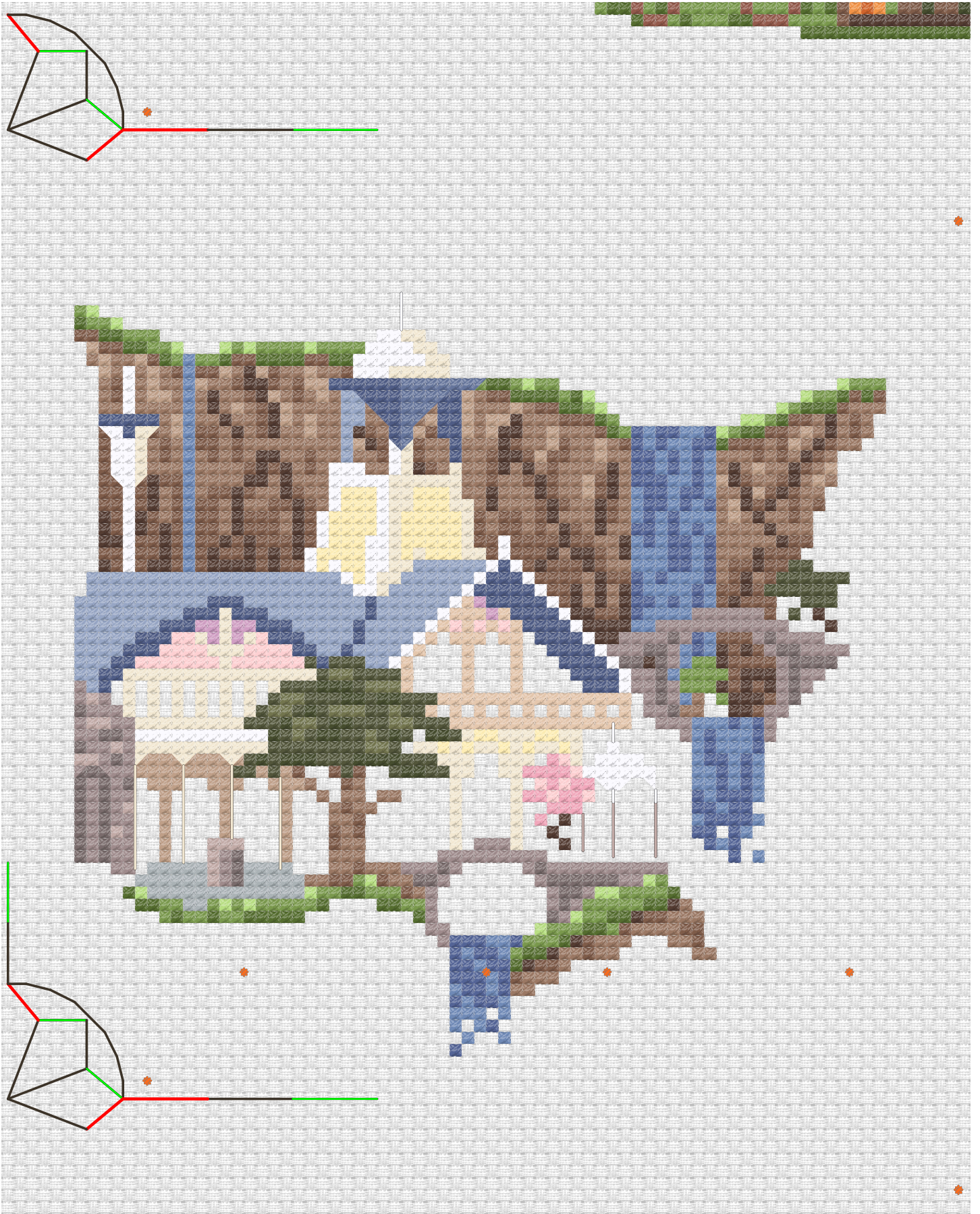
While you've taken to writing down your adventures, I have don't feel like I have the some eloquent turn of phrase as yourself. Personally I find it easier to express myself by creating art.

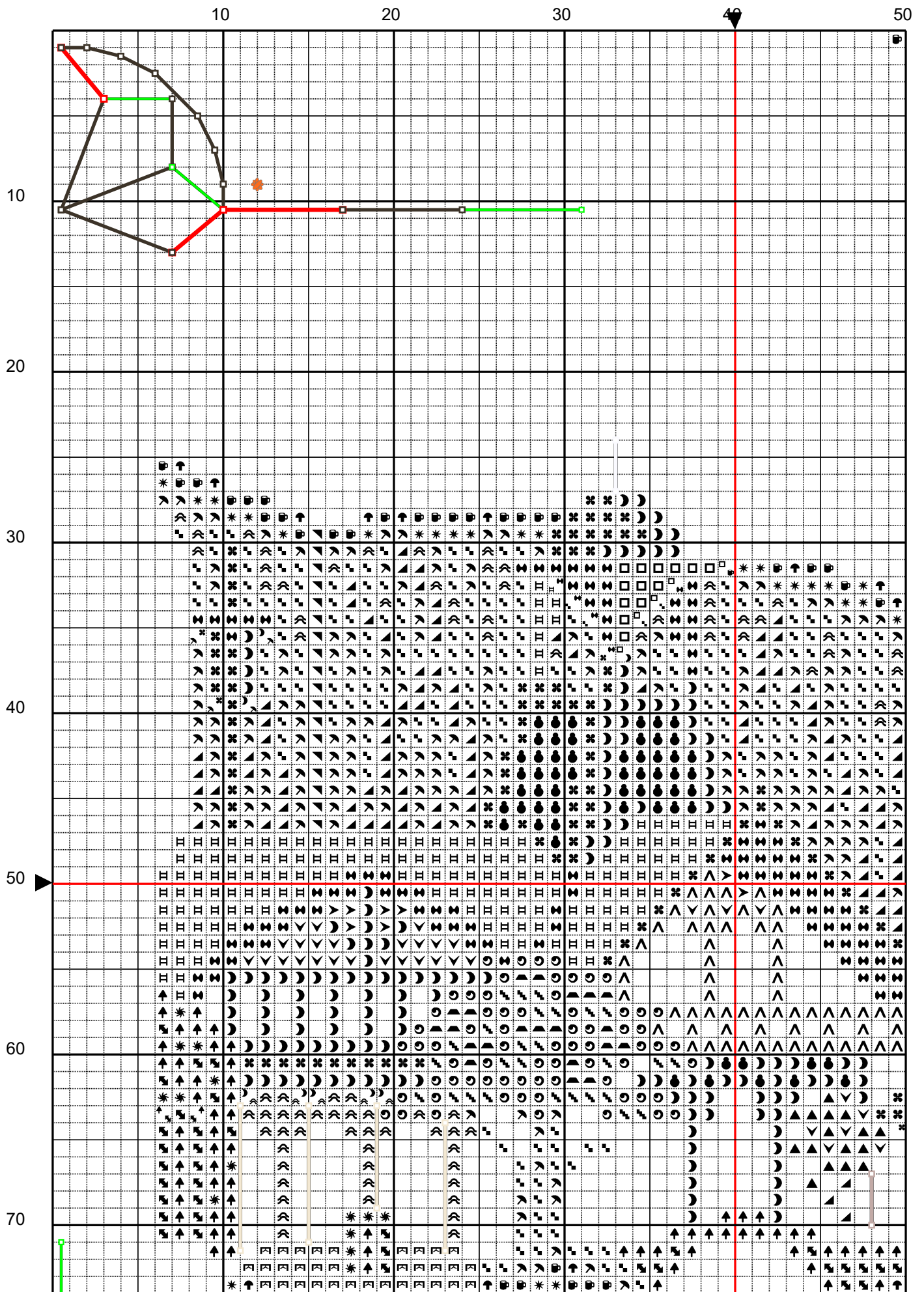
I started with some basics, using some charcoal to capture some of the places that I have been to. More recently, now that I am here in Rivendell, I have been experimenting with other mediums.

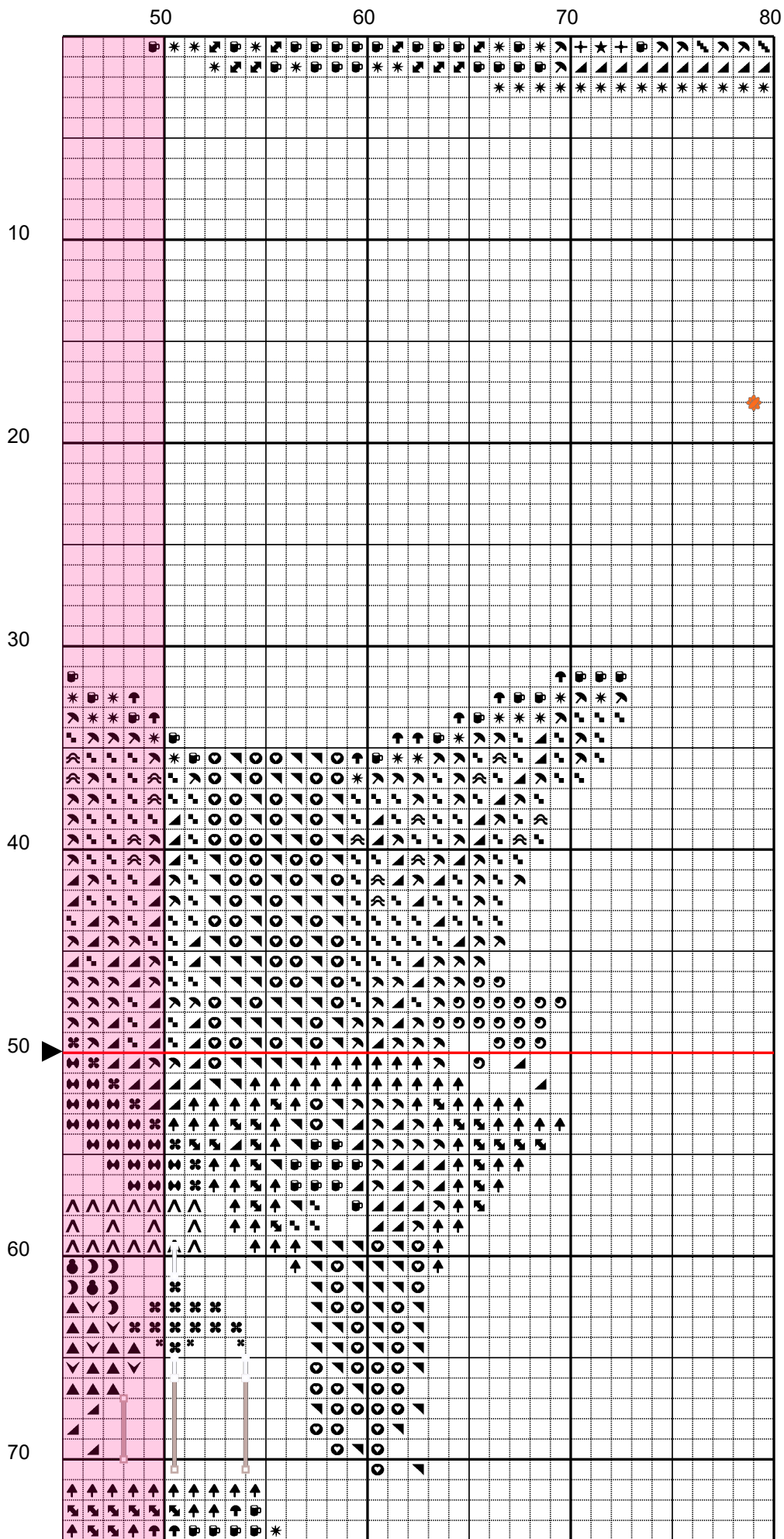
I do get to practise landscapes here, there are so many beautiful views to work with. There is one spot in particular that I would love to take you to when you come here to stay. It gives great views of the whole valley, where you can see the whole of Rivendell.

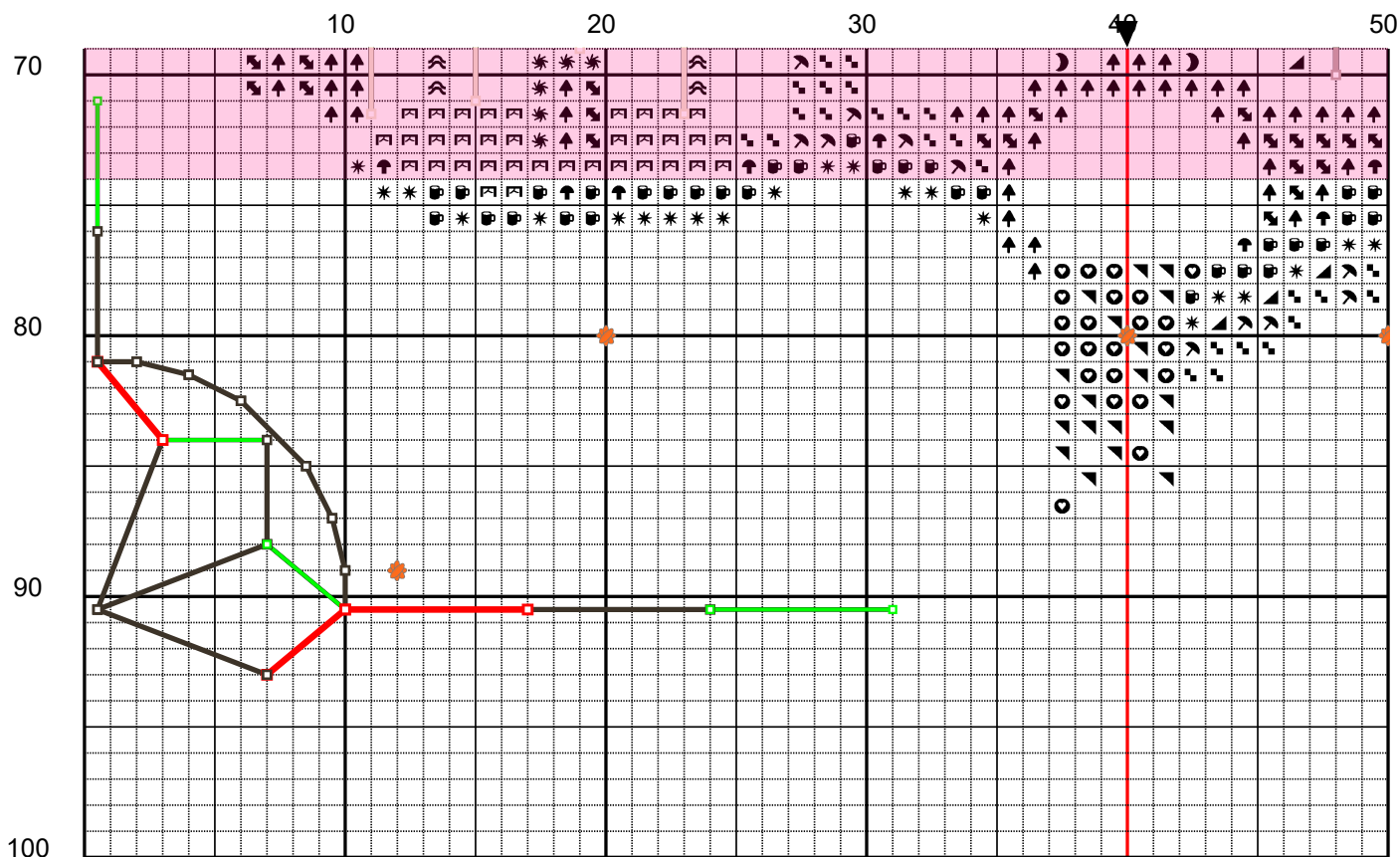
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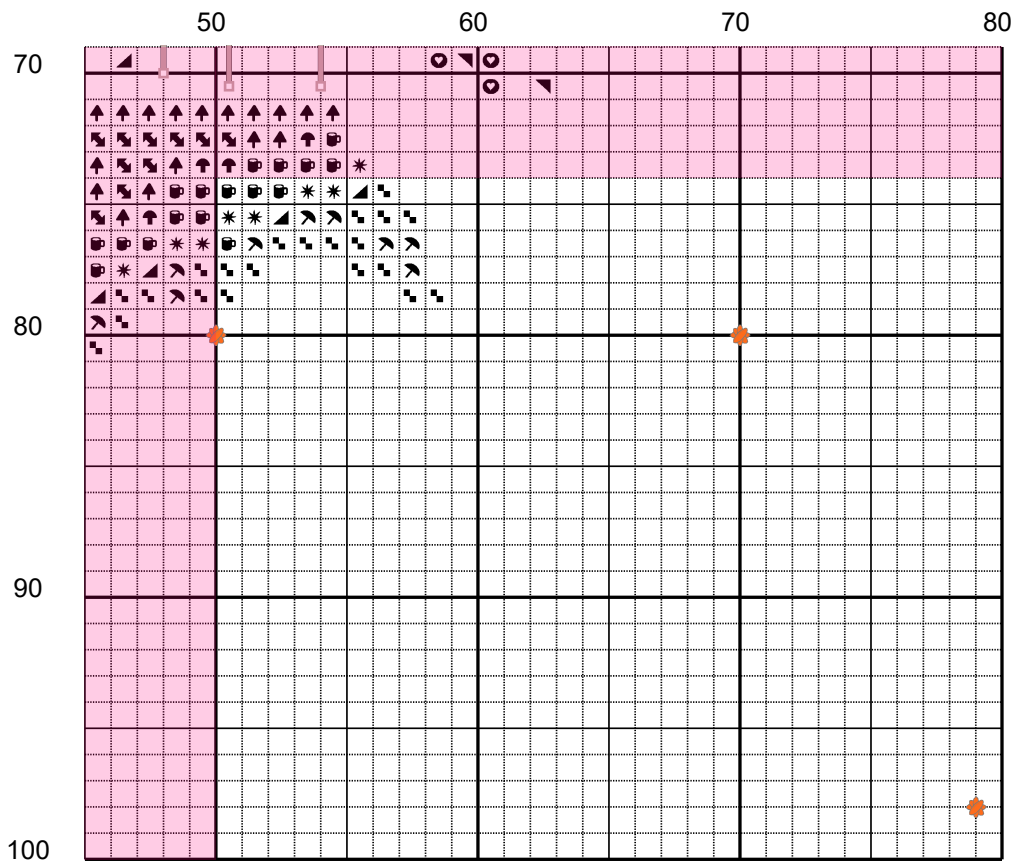
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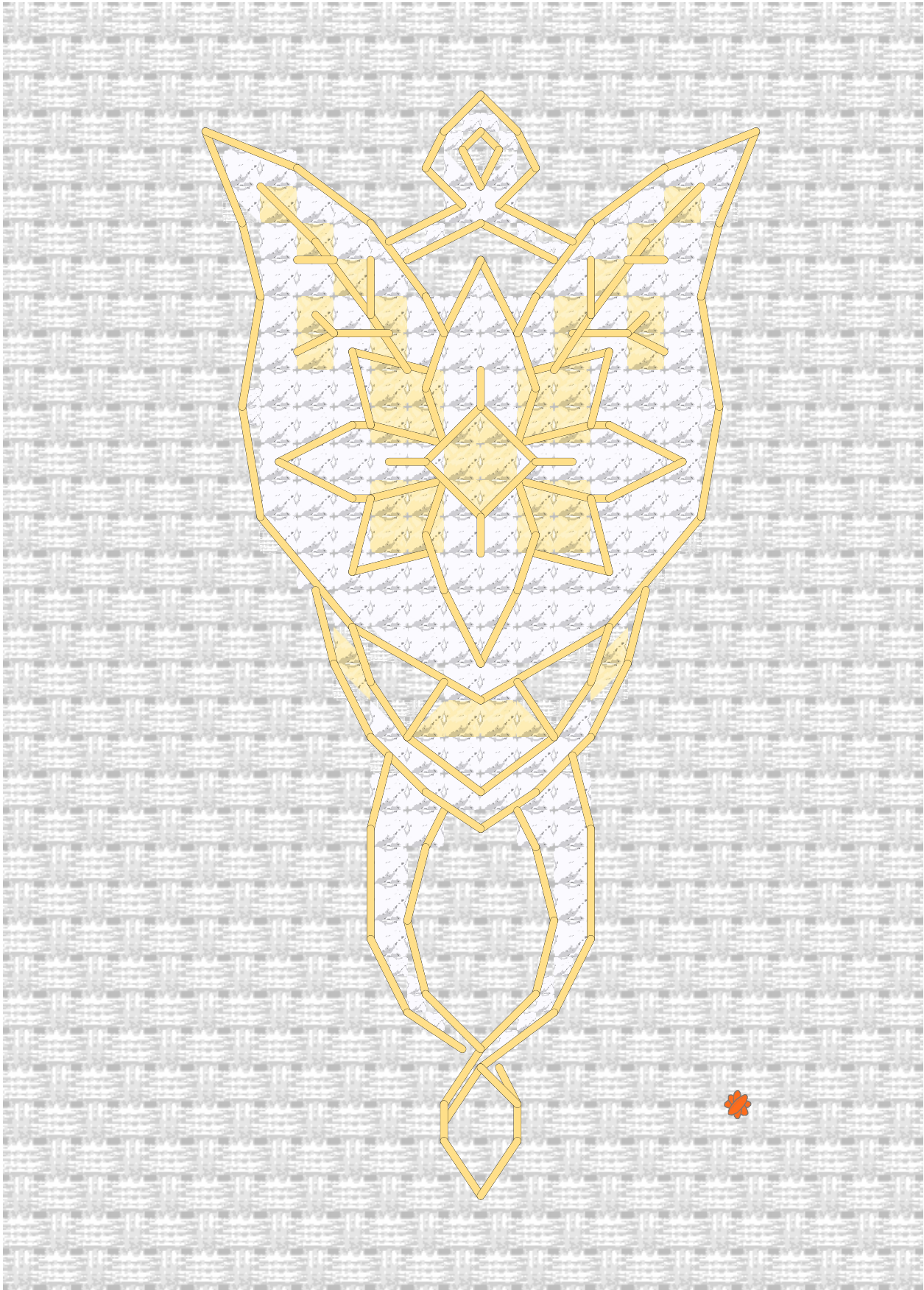


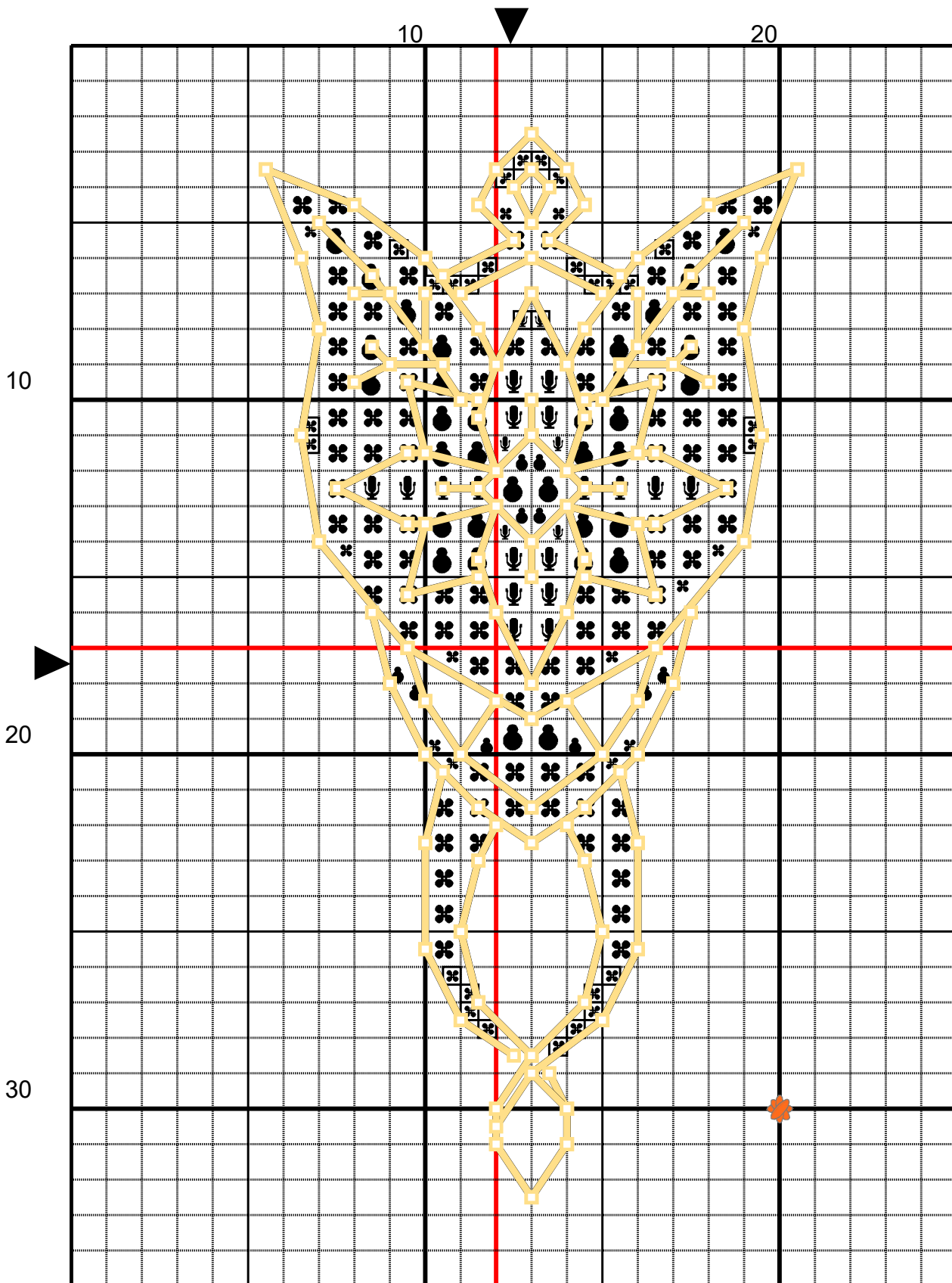




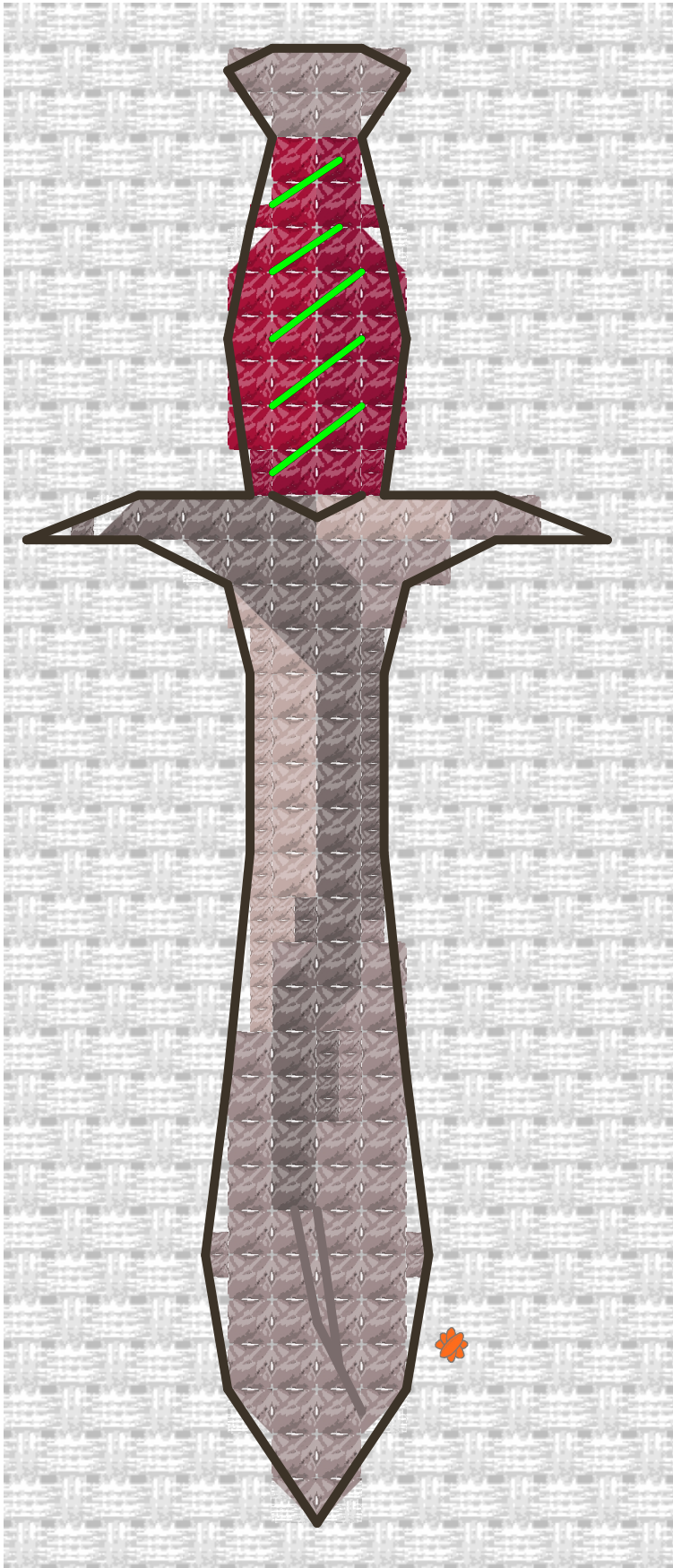
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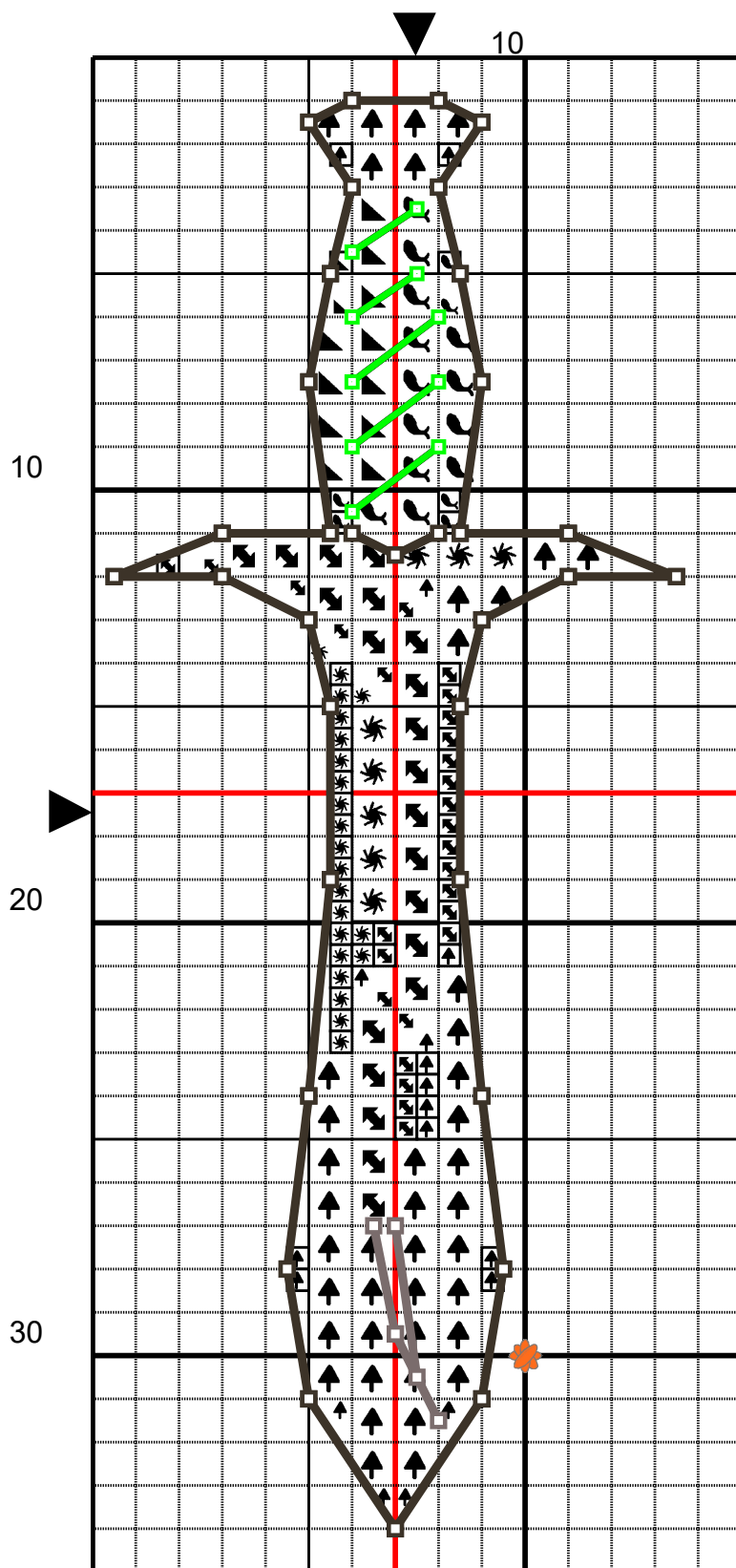
		
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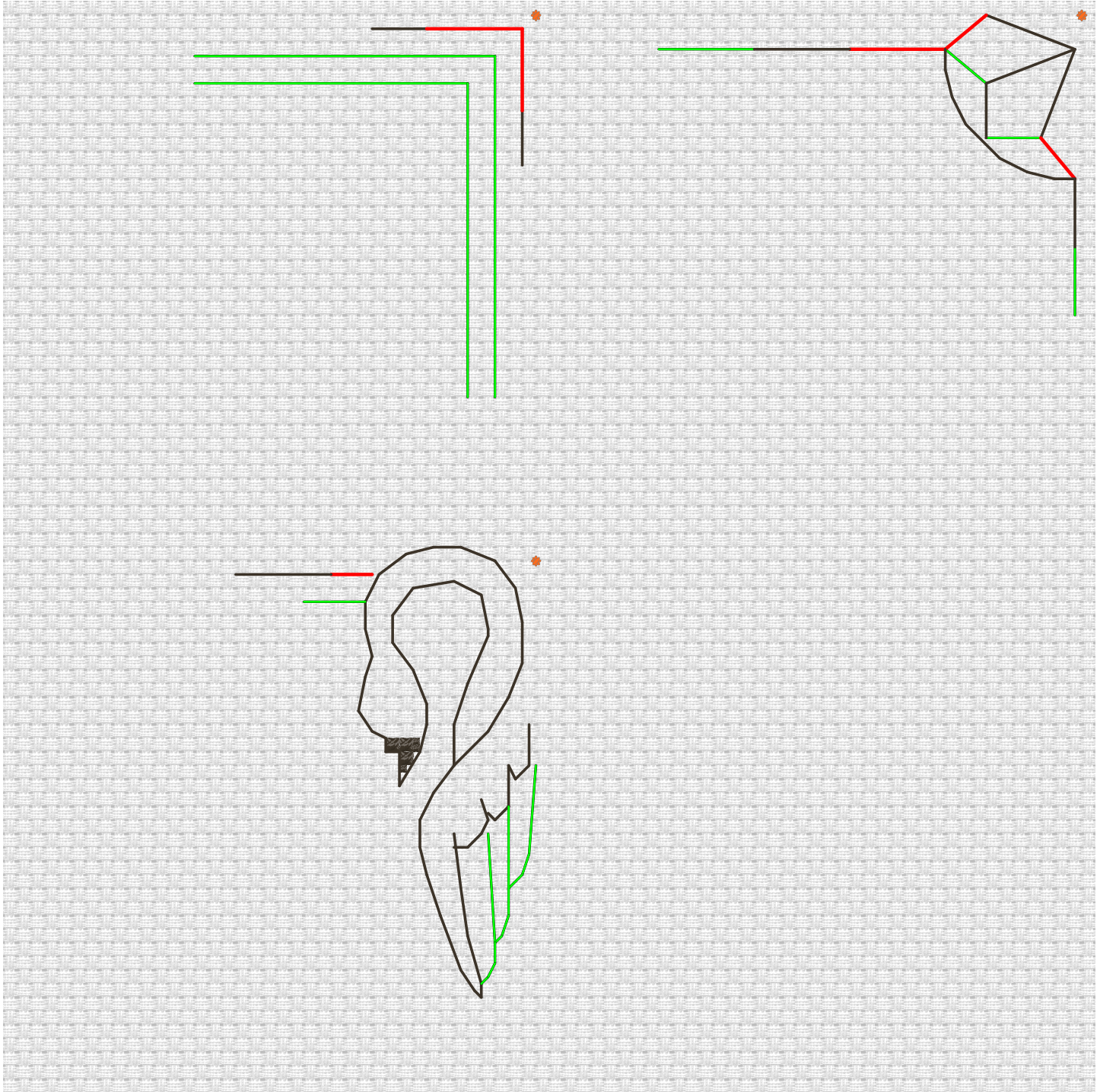


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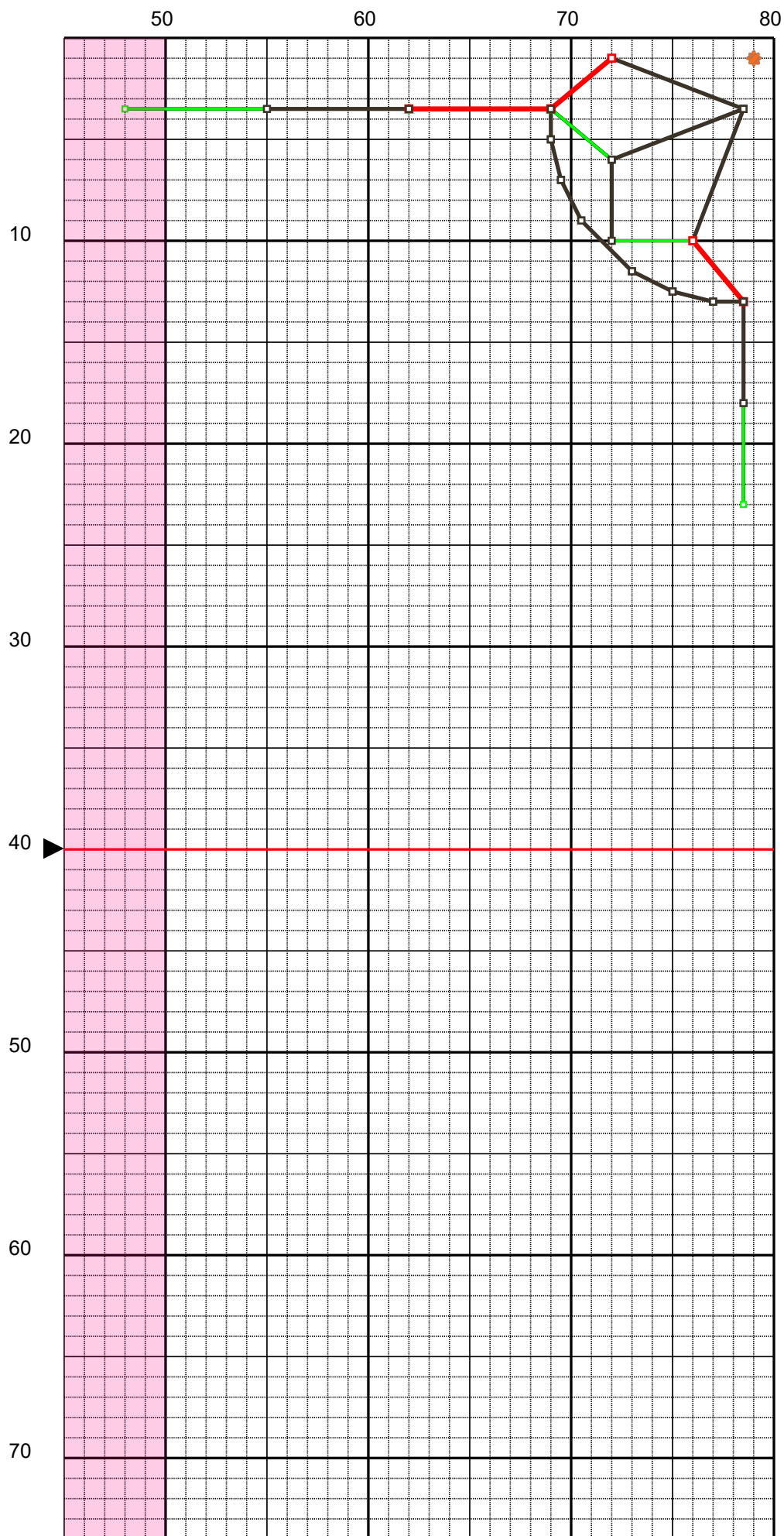


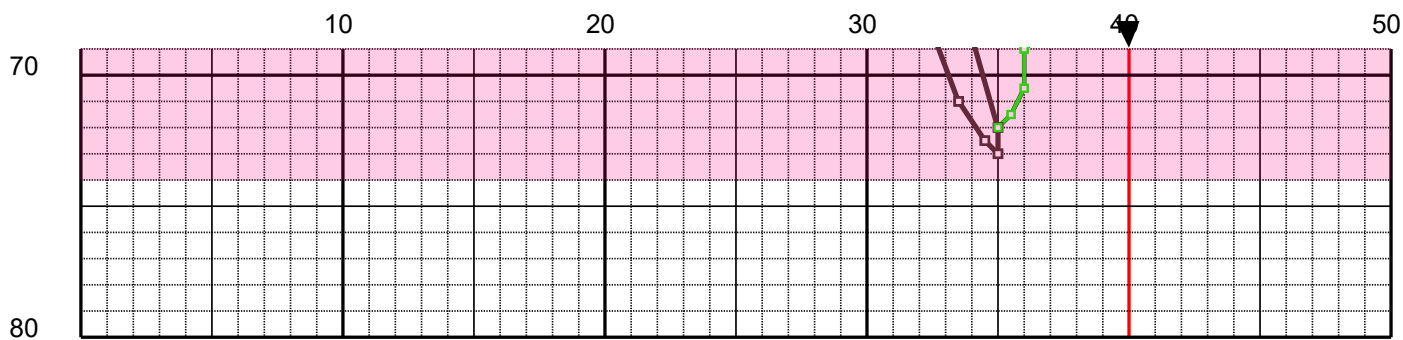


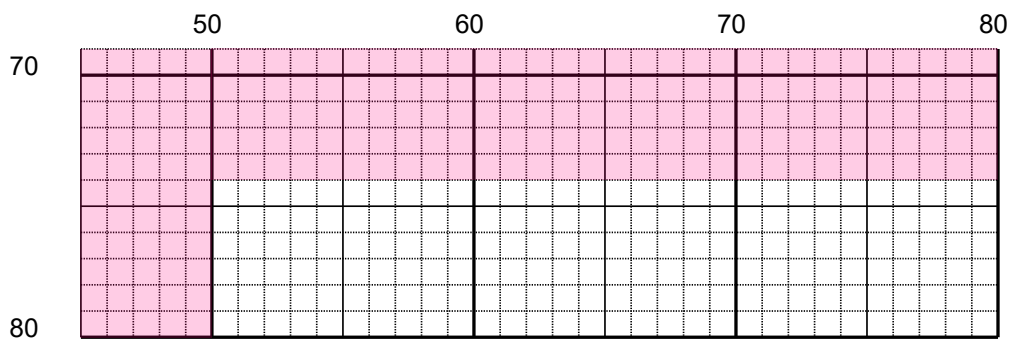
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	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	2	0	b/s only	
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DMC 3787 (2 str)	Brown Grey					33
						











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	DMC 3787	(3) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
No.		B/S - Color				Stitches
DMC 3787 (1 str)		(1) Brown Grey dark				19
DMC 3787 (2 str)		Brown Grey				72
DMC 3787 (3 str)		(3) Brown Grey dark				6

Have you ever been out to the shore Bilbo?

There is no air like the air you get at the sea, the fresh, crisp, salty air just fills your lungs and brings me such peace.³

³ What would you find more relaxing?

- Walking along the shore Page 56

- Going out to sea Page 63

The shore itself is so peaceful. So much more so that walking along a river bank. While a stream may babble away, and you may have some patches where you go and wade through the water, the beach is so much grander.

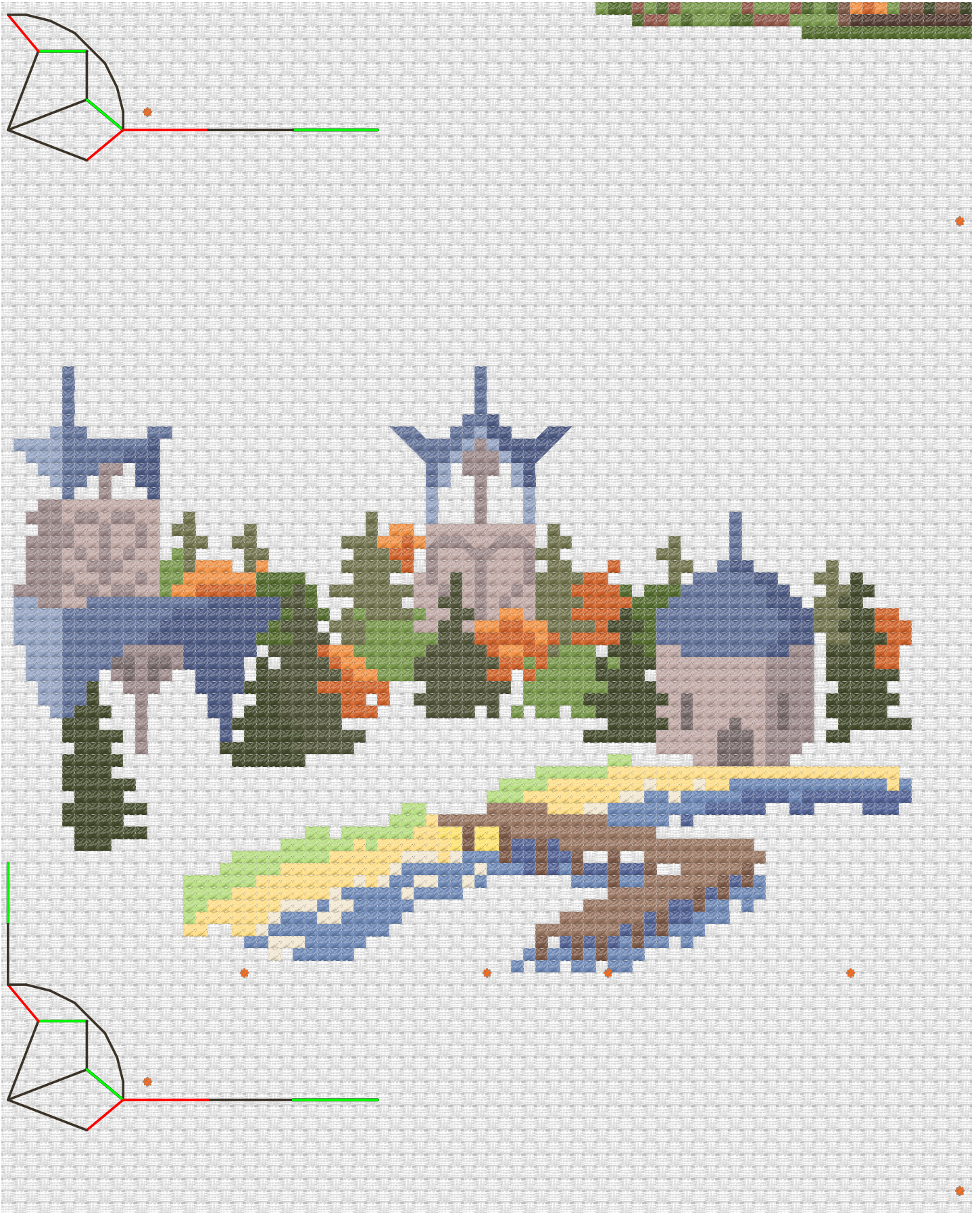
At the beach you hear the waves crashing against the shore, and you can walk the whole way keeping your feet in the nice cooling water.

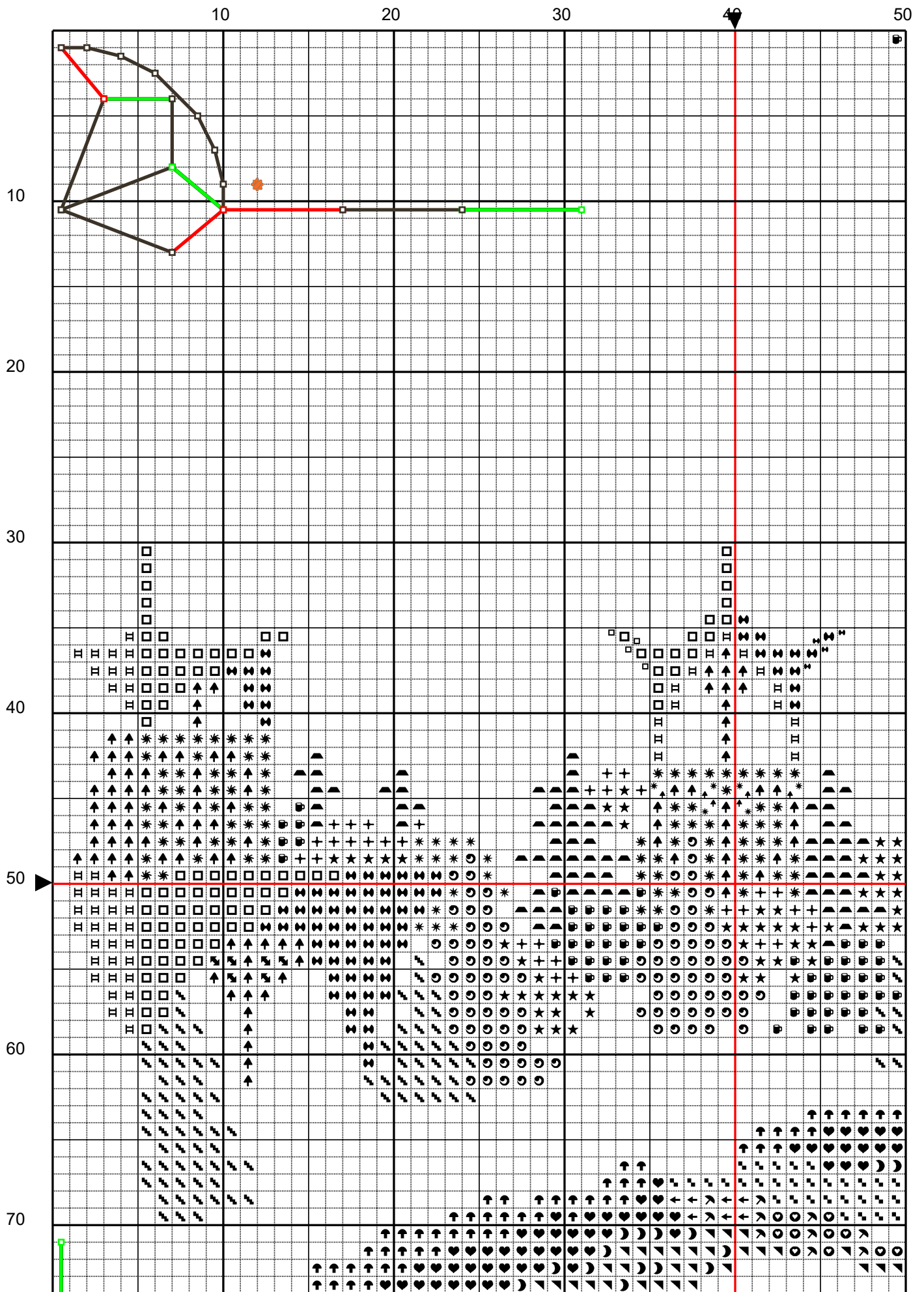
I know that you have your heart set on retiring to the safety of Rivendell, but maybe I could tempt you to coming out to the Grey Havens. More and more Elves have been heading here, to get on boats to set out to the Undying Lands. I unfortunately wouldn't be able to have the honour to join them on that adventure, but many times they have joined me for walks along the shore, sharing stories of their adventures with me before they set out.

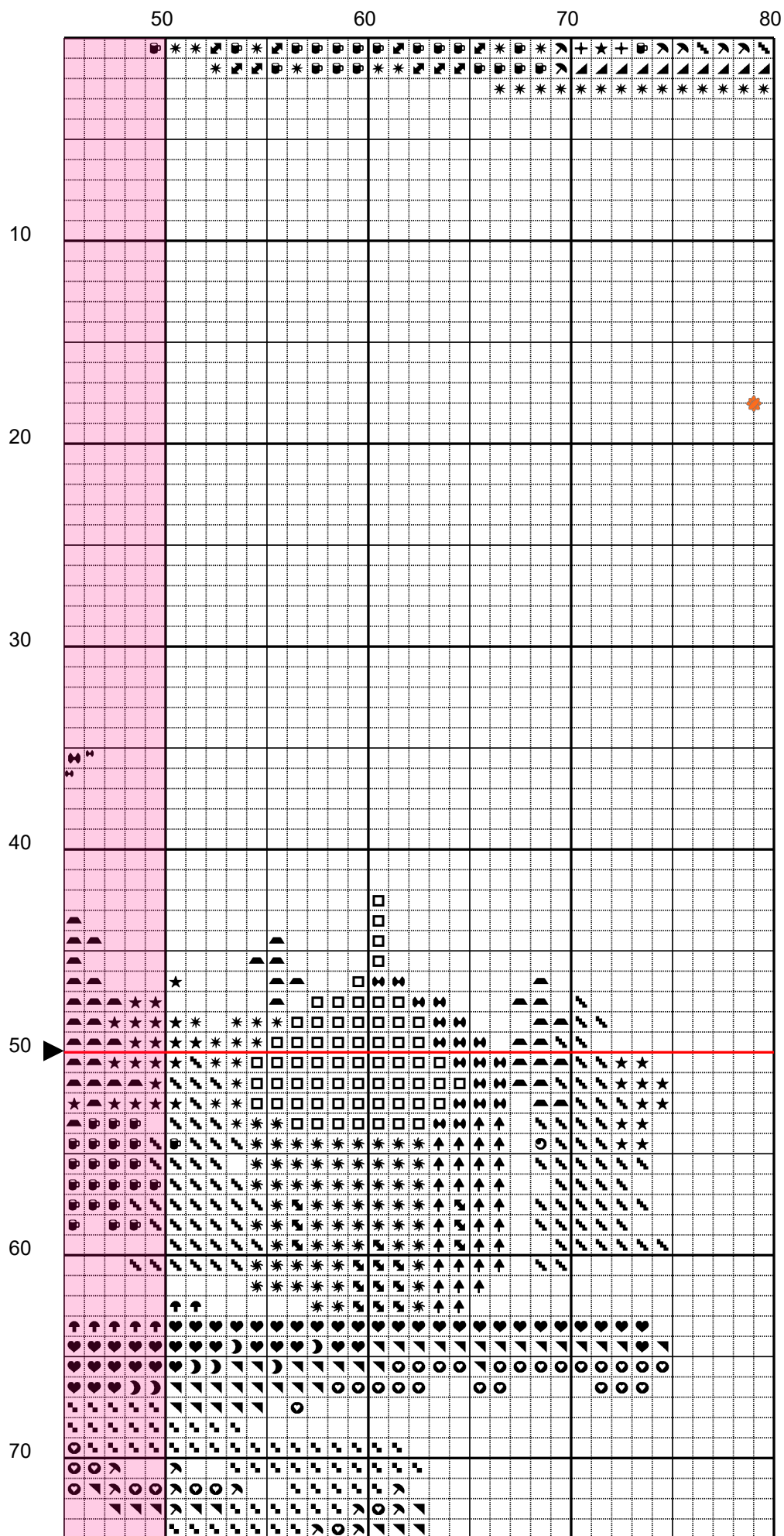
I plan to stay here, safe and learning of all these stories, and maybe one day I will write them all down so that they will not be forgotten.

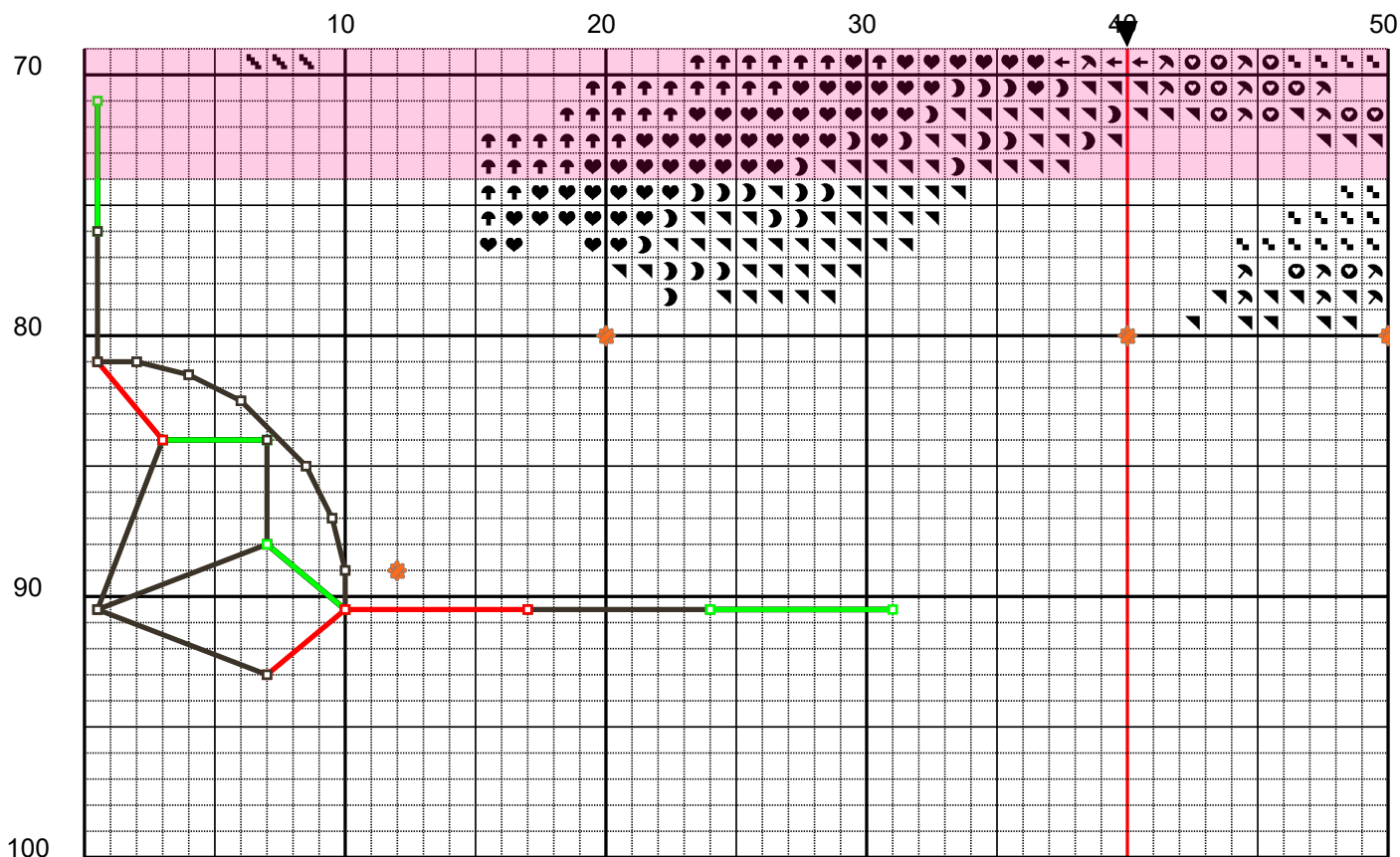
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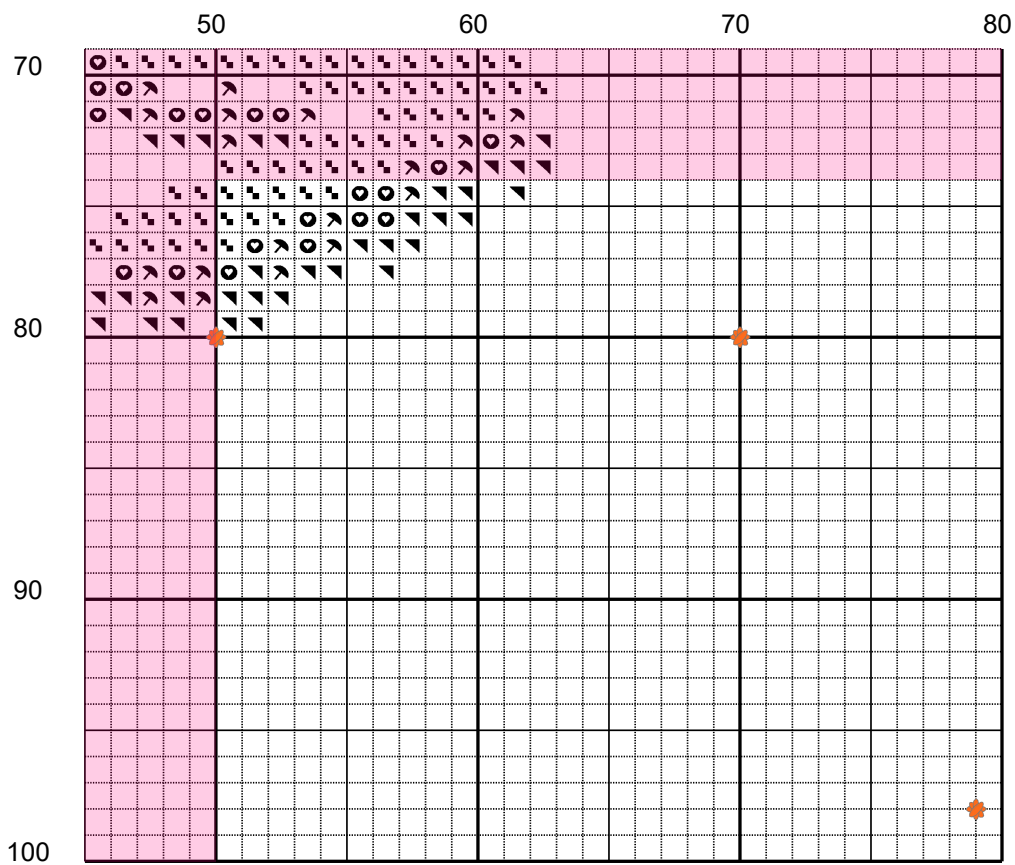
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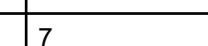
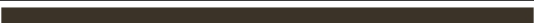










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↖	DMC 451	Shell Grey dark	2	0	22	
↑	DMC 452	Shell Grey medium	2	0	138	
✱	DMC 453	Shell Grey LT	2	0	159	
☾	DMC 712	Cream	2	0	33	
←	DMC 727	Topaz very light	2	0	7	
♥	DMC 745	Yellow light pale	2	0	108	
♥	DMC 793	Cornflower Blue medium	2	0	49	
◀	DMC 794	Cornflower Blue light	2	0	134	
▶	DMC 839	Beige Brown dark	2	0	10	
↘	DMC 840	Beige Brown medium	2	0	36	
↖	DMC 841	Beige Brown light	2	0	96	
↖	DMC 3051	Green Grey dark	2	0	182	
☺	DMC 3052	Green Grey Med	2	0	101	
◀	DMC 3053	Green Grey LT	2	0	97	
✱	DMC 3346	Hunter Green Med	2	0	51	
☺	DMC 3347	Yellow Green Med	2	0	82	
↑	DMC 3348	Yellow Green LT	2	0	61	
↖	DMC 3772	Desert Sand very dark	2	0	9	
	DMC 3787	(1) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	(3) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
★	DMC 3853	Autumn Gold dark	2	0	73	
+	DMC 3854	Autumn Gold medium	2	0	34	
No.	B/S - Color				Stitches	
DMC 3787 (2 str)	(1) Brown Grey dark				7	
						
DMC 3787 (2 str)	Brown Grey				25	
						
DMC 3787 (2 str)	(3) Brown Grey dark				6	
						

The sea air is, of course, best experienced out at sea. The easiest and best way to do that is to get on a boat out of the harbour and sail the sea..

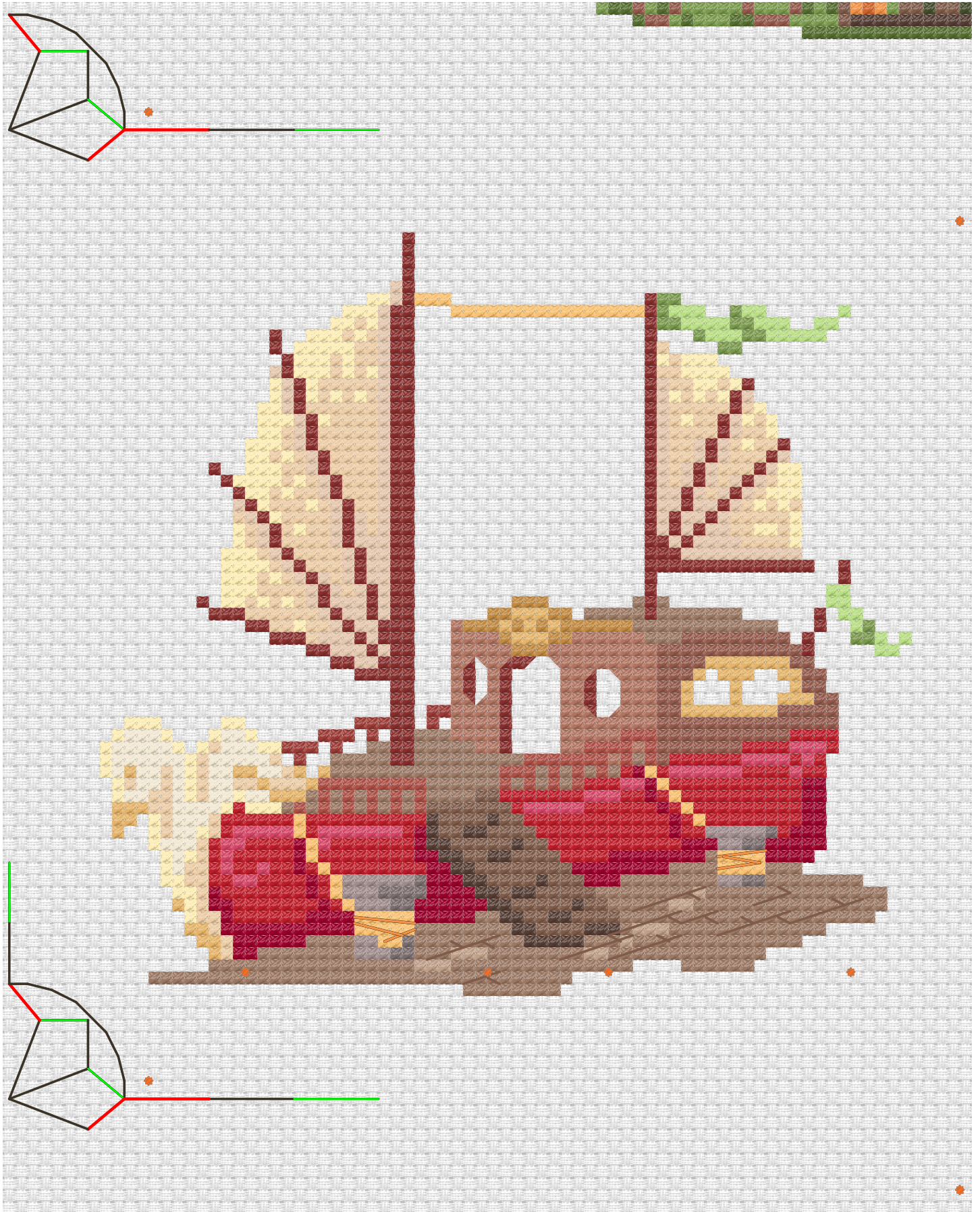
There are more and more elves arriving here, to sail off to the Undying Lands. Now I don't get the honour of joining them on that adventure, but that doesn't stop me from getting a boat and sailing about close to shore.

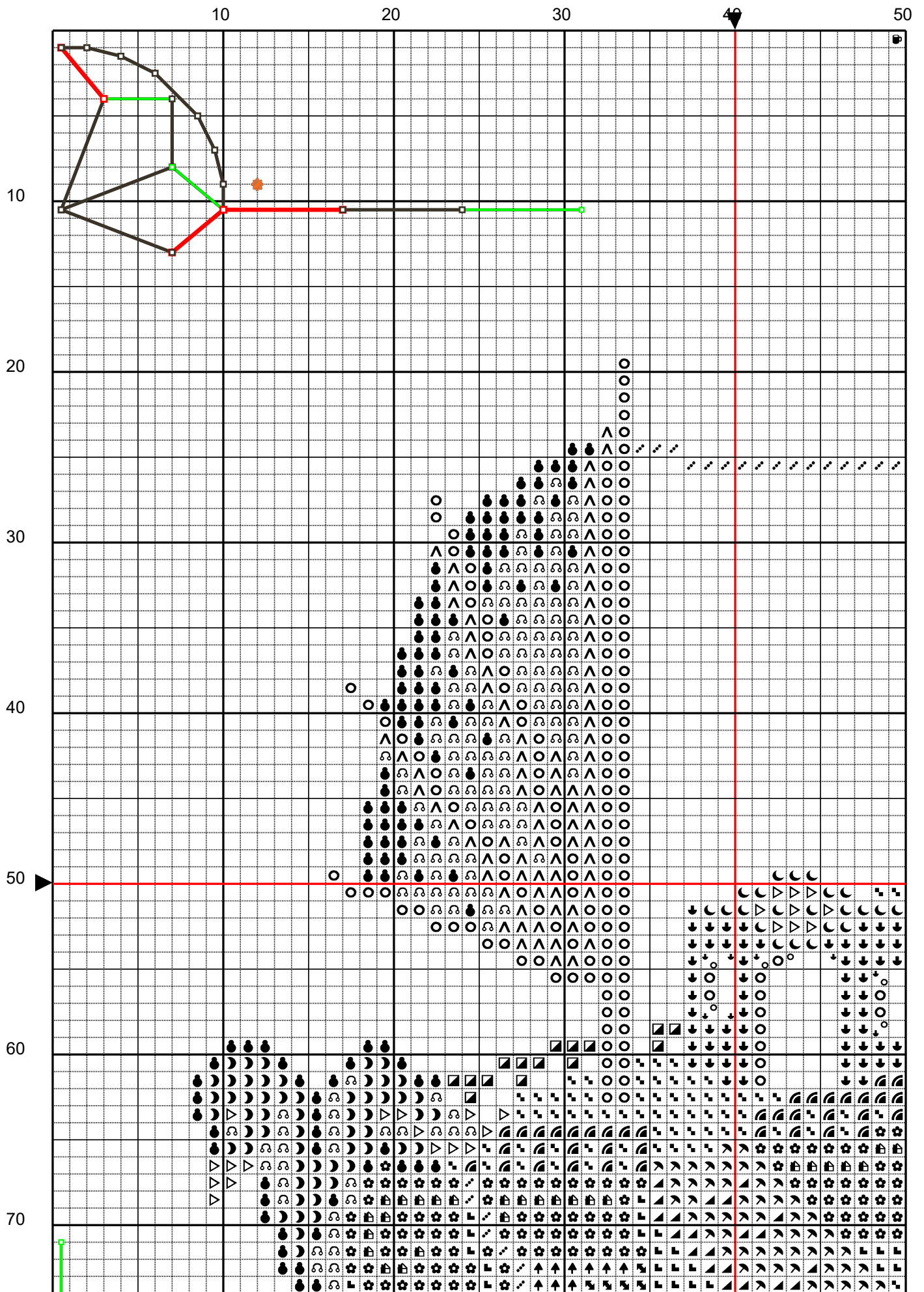
Some of the departing elves here at the Grey Havens have joined me on some of my jaunts out in the boat before they set off, and during those trips they have told me many stories from their long years here. Did you know that some of them have been about since the two trees of Valinor?

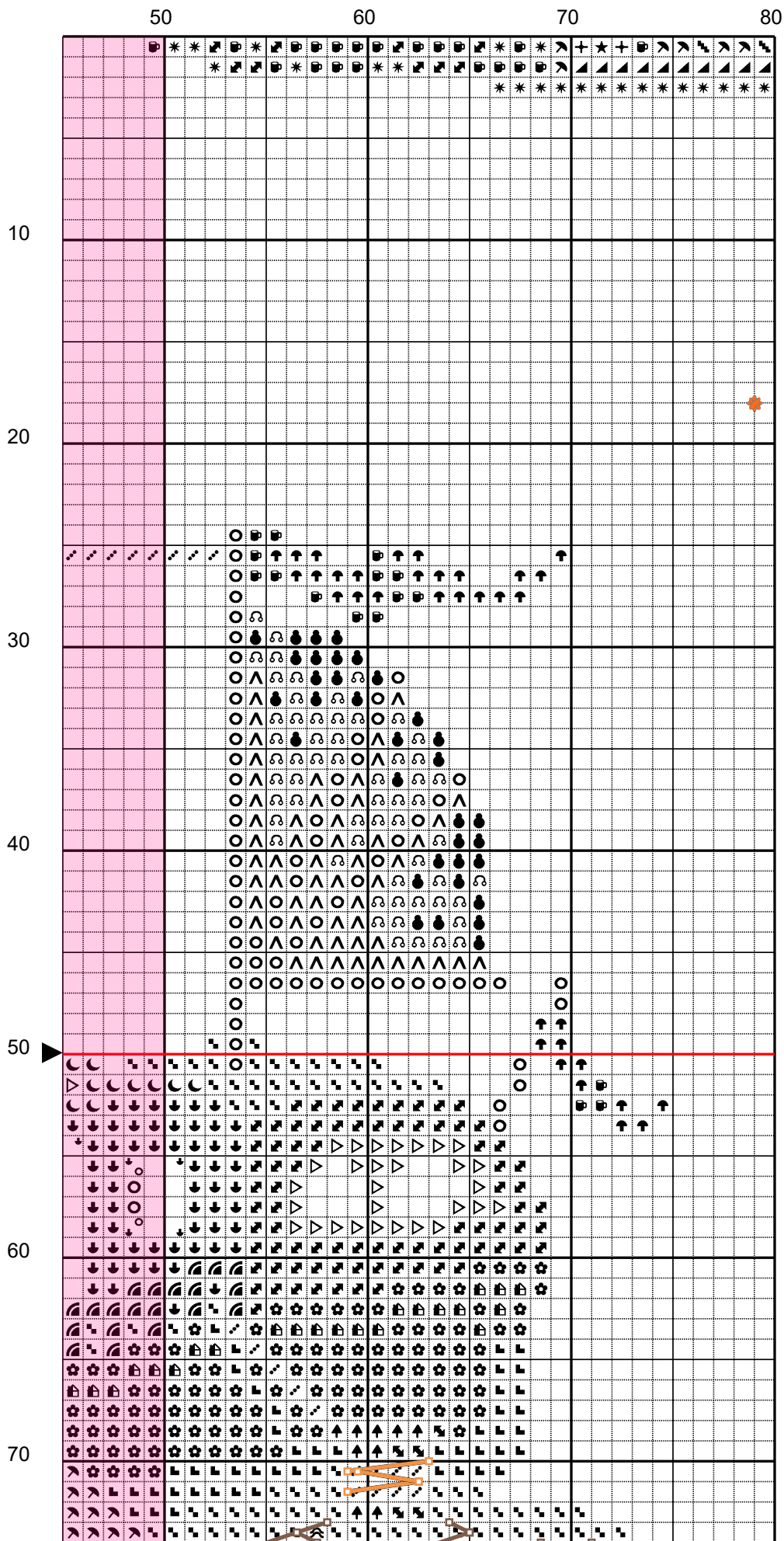
I know that you have your heart set on going to join Elrond at Rivendell, but maybe I could tempt you to come visit me here at the Grey Havens.

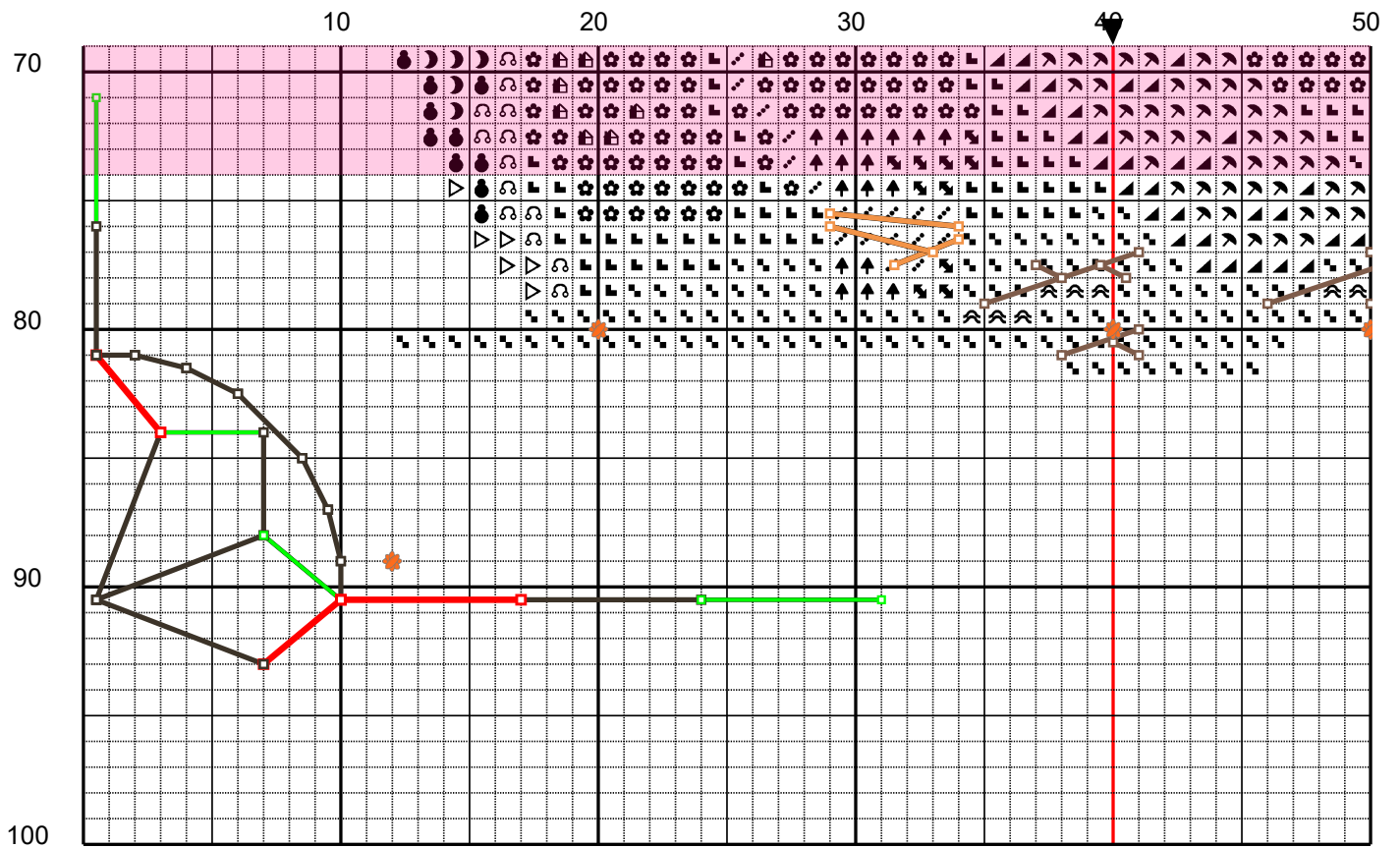
Stay safe my friend.

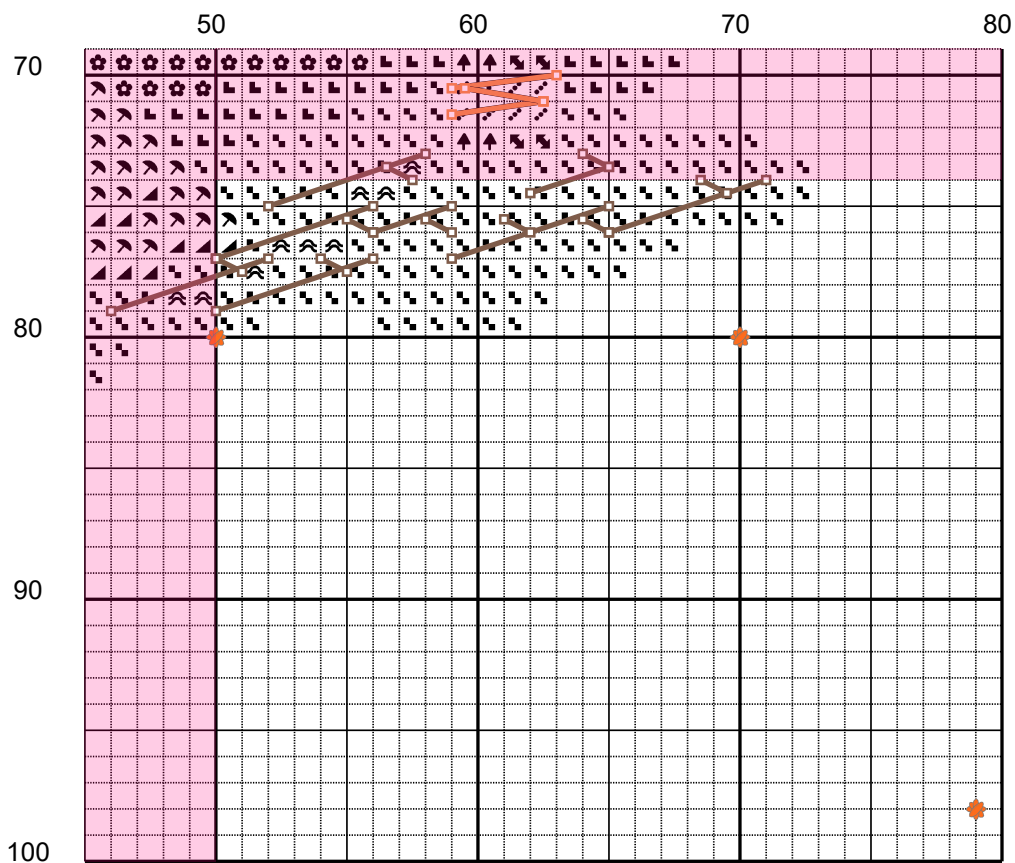
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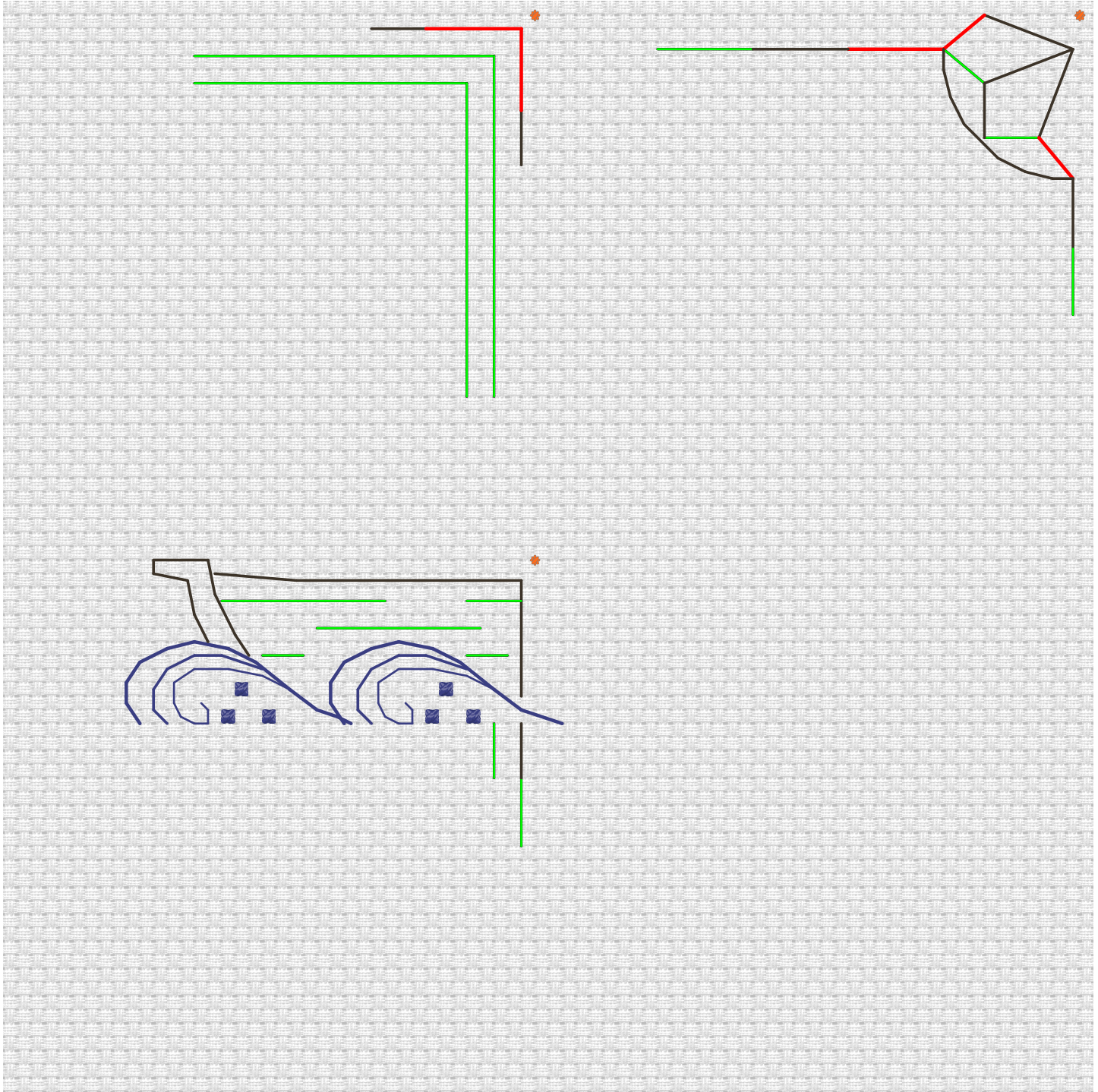


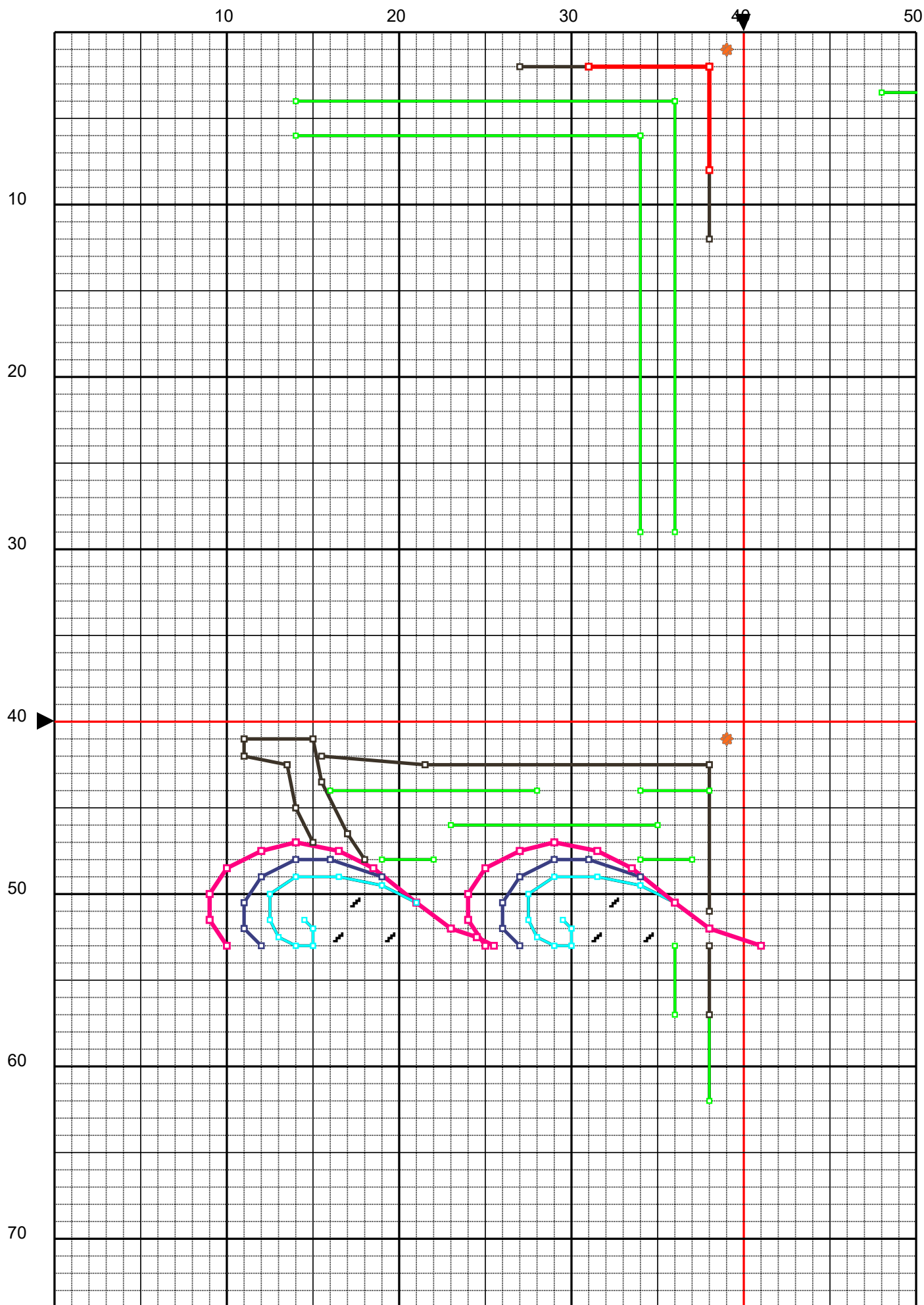


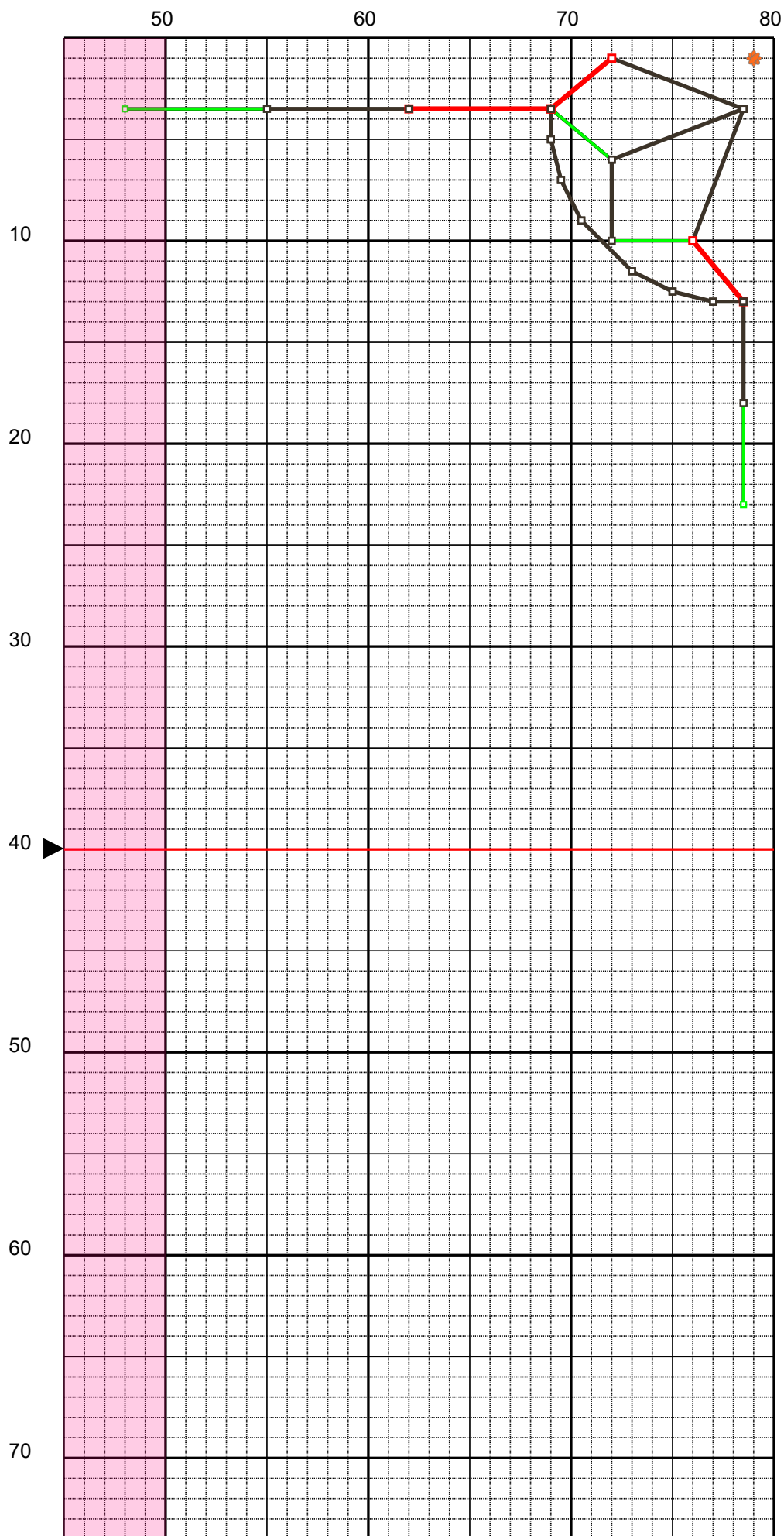


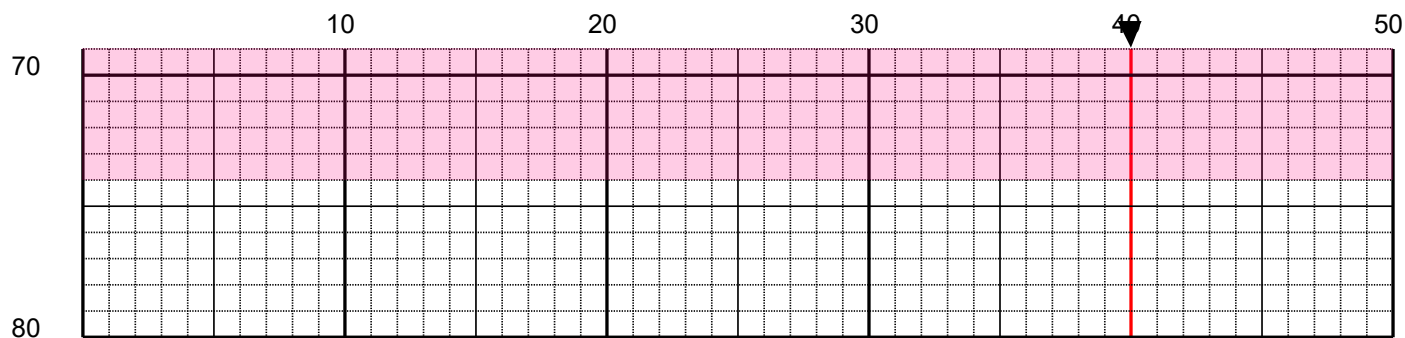
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✿	DMC 349	Coral dark	2	0	215	
○	DMC 355	Terra Cotta dark	2	0	230	
🏠	DMC 356	Terra Cotta medium	2	0	47	
🏠	DMC 451	Shell Grey dark	2	0	15	
↑	DMC 452	Shell Grey medium	2	0	26	
^	DMC 543	Beige Brown ultra	2	0	141	
▷	DMC 676	Old Gold light	2	0	60	
☾	DMC 712	Cream	2	0	58	
☾	DMC 729	Old Gold medium	2	0	24	
☾	DMC 739	Tan ultra very light	2	0	211	
▲	DMC 839	Beige Brown dark	2	0	48	
↘	DMC 840	Beige Brown medium	2	0	78	
↘	DMC 841	Beige Brown light	2	0	352	
↘	DMC 842	Beige Brown very light	2	0	15	
🏠	DMC 3051	Green Grey dark	2	0	2	
✱	DMC 3346	Hunter Green Med	2	0	23	
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↘	DMC 3772	Desert Sand very dark	2	0	90	
↓	DMC 3773	Flesh Med	2	0	102	
	DMC 3787	(1) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	(3) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
🏠	DMC 3823	Yellow ultra pale	2	0	156	
🏠	DMC 3830	Terra Cotta	2	0	15	
★	DMC 3853	Autumn Gold dark	2	0	1	
+	DMC 3854	Autumn Gold medium	2	0	2	
✱	DMC 3855	Autumn Gold light	2	0	52	
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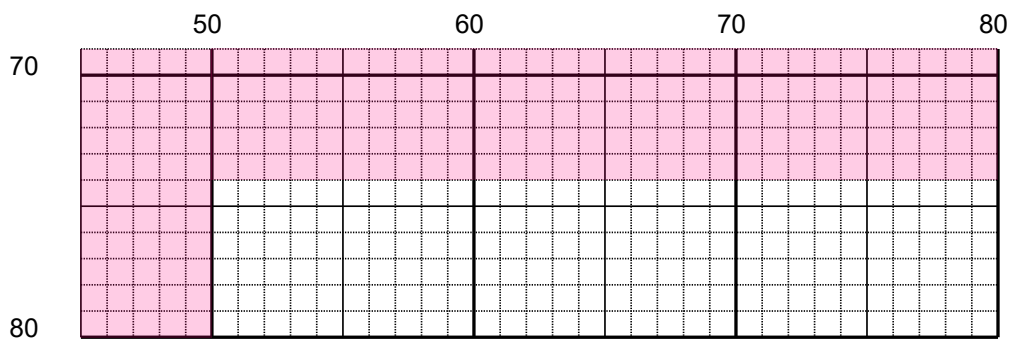
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	DMC 792	Cornflower Blue dark	2	0	6	
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	DMC 3787	(1) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	(3) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
No.	B/S - Color					Stitches
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DMC 792 (2 str)	Cornflower Blue dark					12
						
DMC 792 (3 str)	(3) Cornflower Blue dark					21
						
DMC 3787 (1 str)	(1) Brown Grey dark					15
						
DMC 3787 (2 str)	Brown Grey					27
						
DMC 3787 (3 str)	(3) Brown Grey dark					5
						

There is nothing more peaceful than being surrounded by trees. I always find that walking through the woods brings me back to myself, the place is quiet while still being full of life.

Some woods are, admittedly more dangerous than others, as you well know. When you told me about your time in Mirkwood and your run in with the elves there, I figured that I would try to see if I could find it. Armed with knowledge from your encounter I hoped that I would be able to win them over.⁴

⁴ How did you find the elves of Mirkwood?

- They found you Page 78

- You found them Page 85

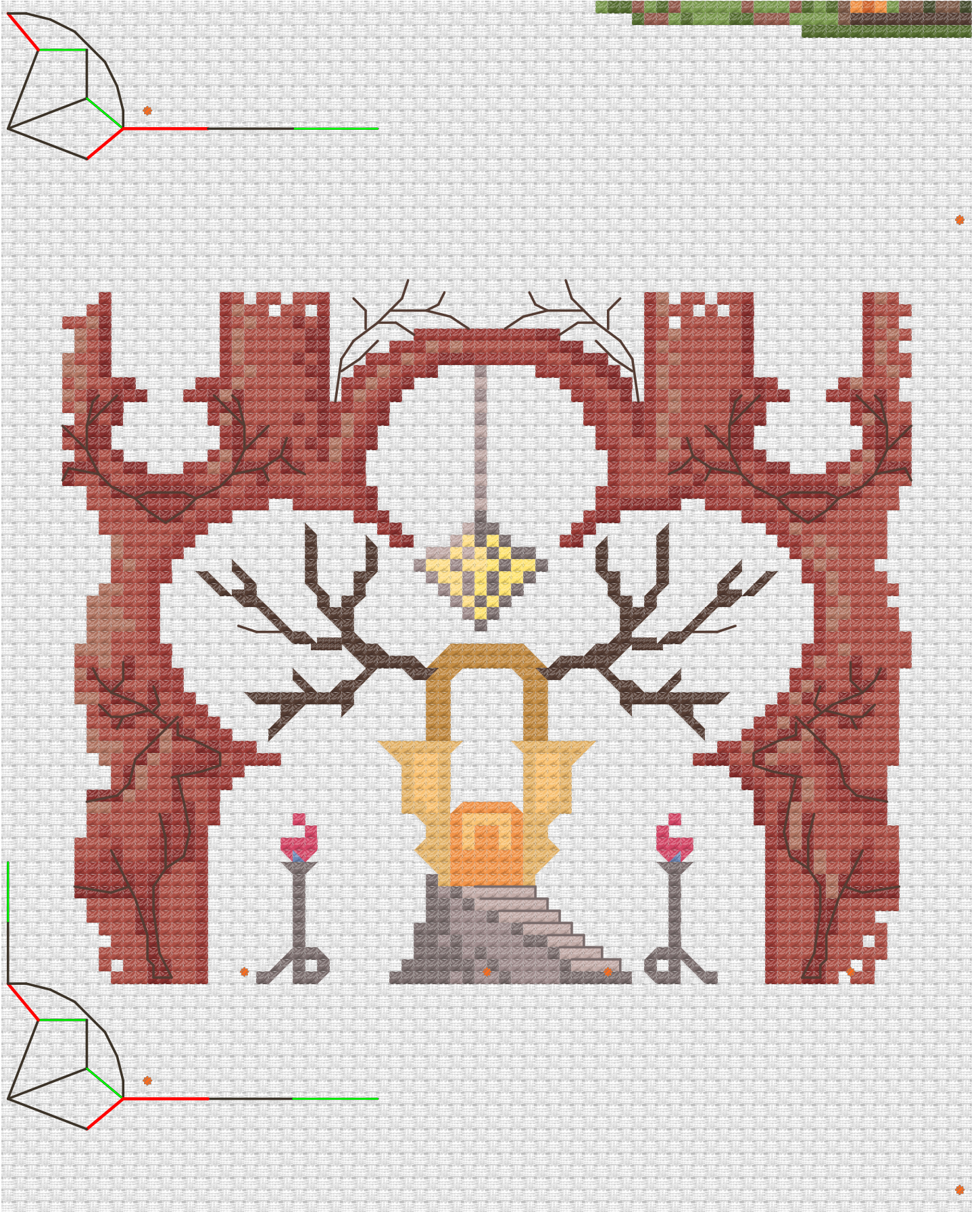
I set off into Mirkwood and it really didn't take long for them to find me. Apparently I am noisier than I thought. They said something about probably being able to shoot me with an arrow with their eyes shut if they were so inclined!

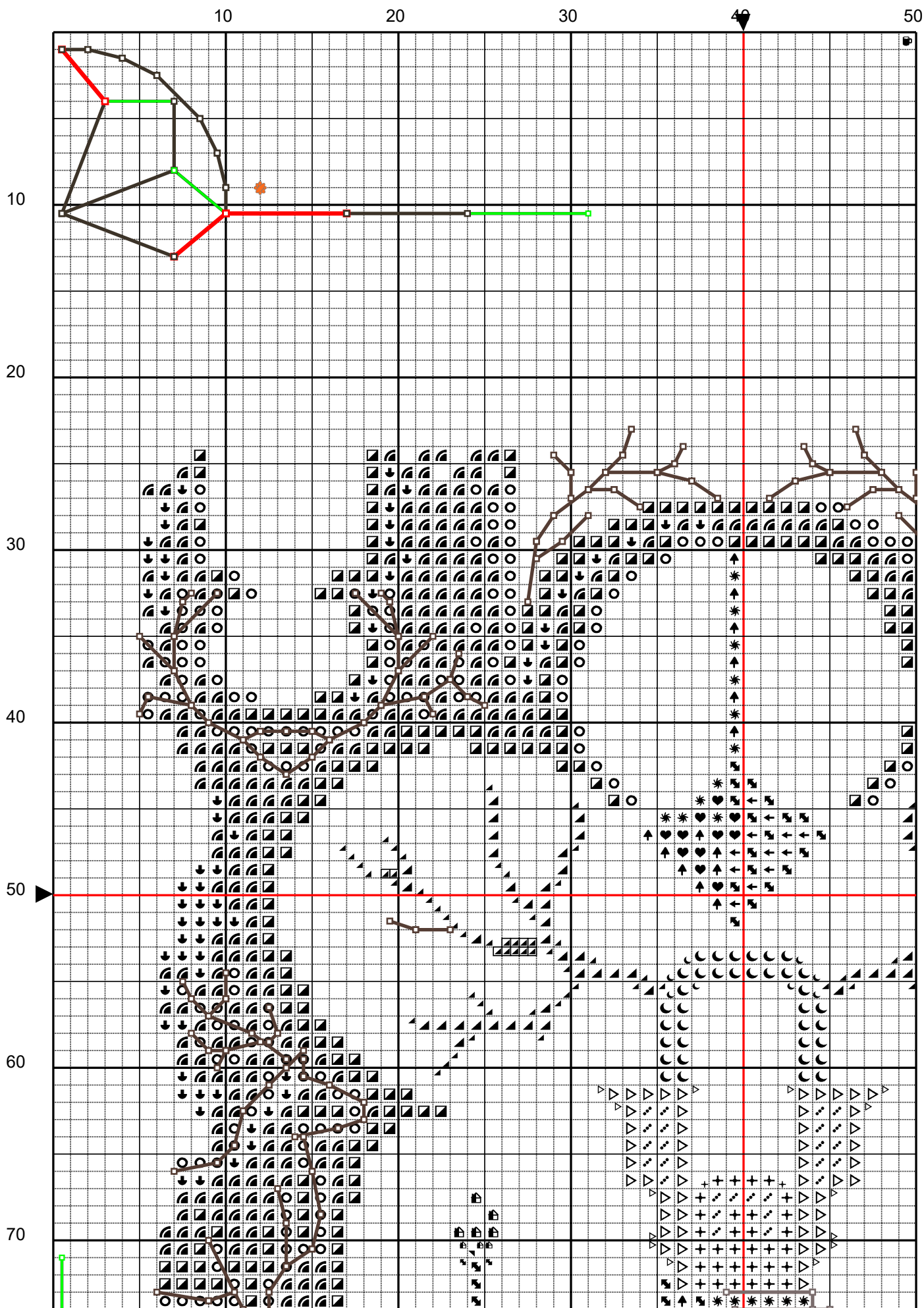
But it didn't deter me, if anything it showed me that this would probably be the safest place for me should I just get their favour. I asked to be taken to see Thranduil to ask to retire there.

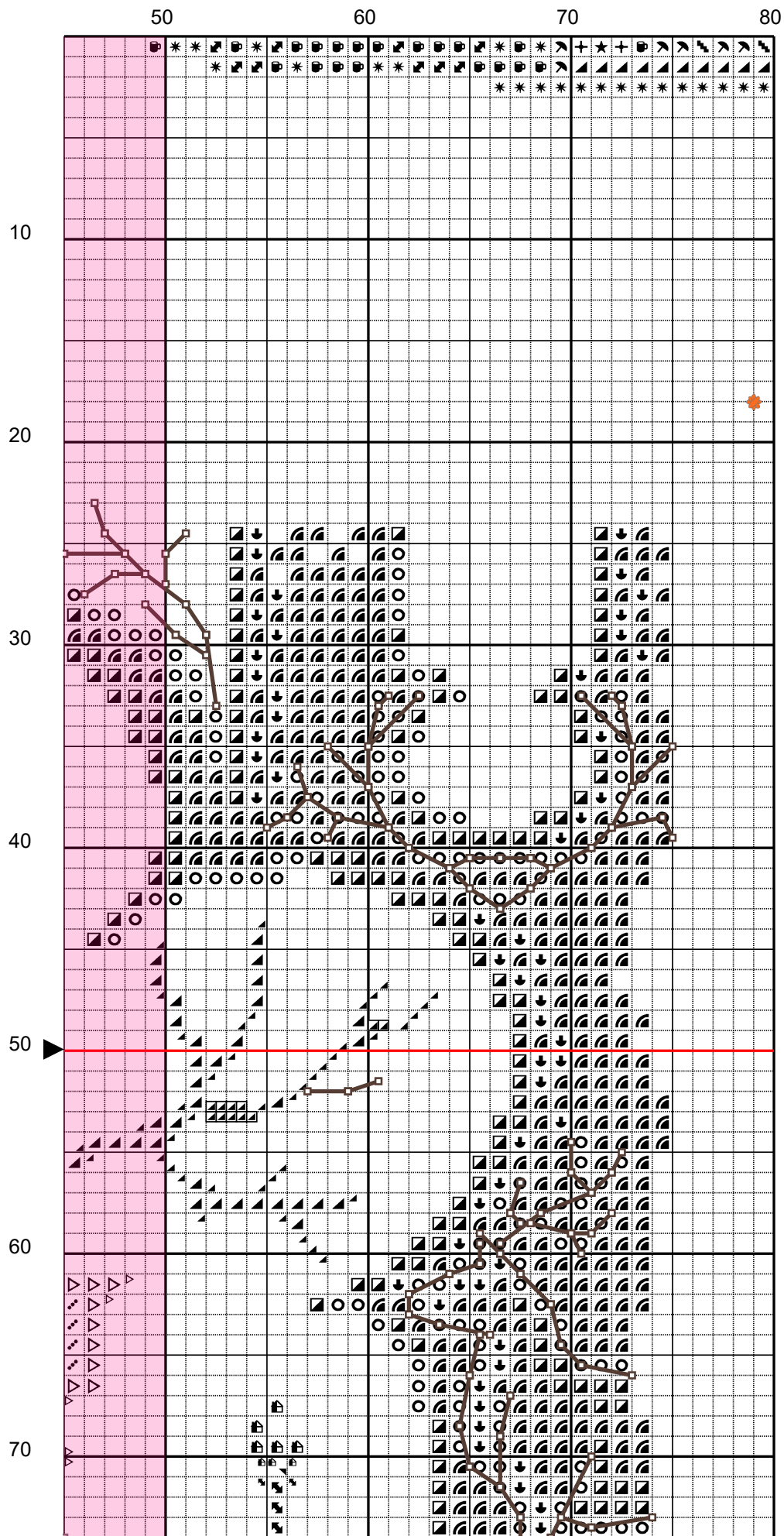
They took me to their throne room to meet him, and unlike your experience there, as I wasn't with dwarves I was made more welcome I must thank you Bilbo, for I had previously travelled with dwarves, and there would have been every chance I would have made the same mistake of going there with them and ending up in the cells!

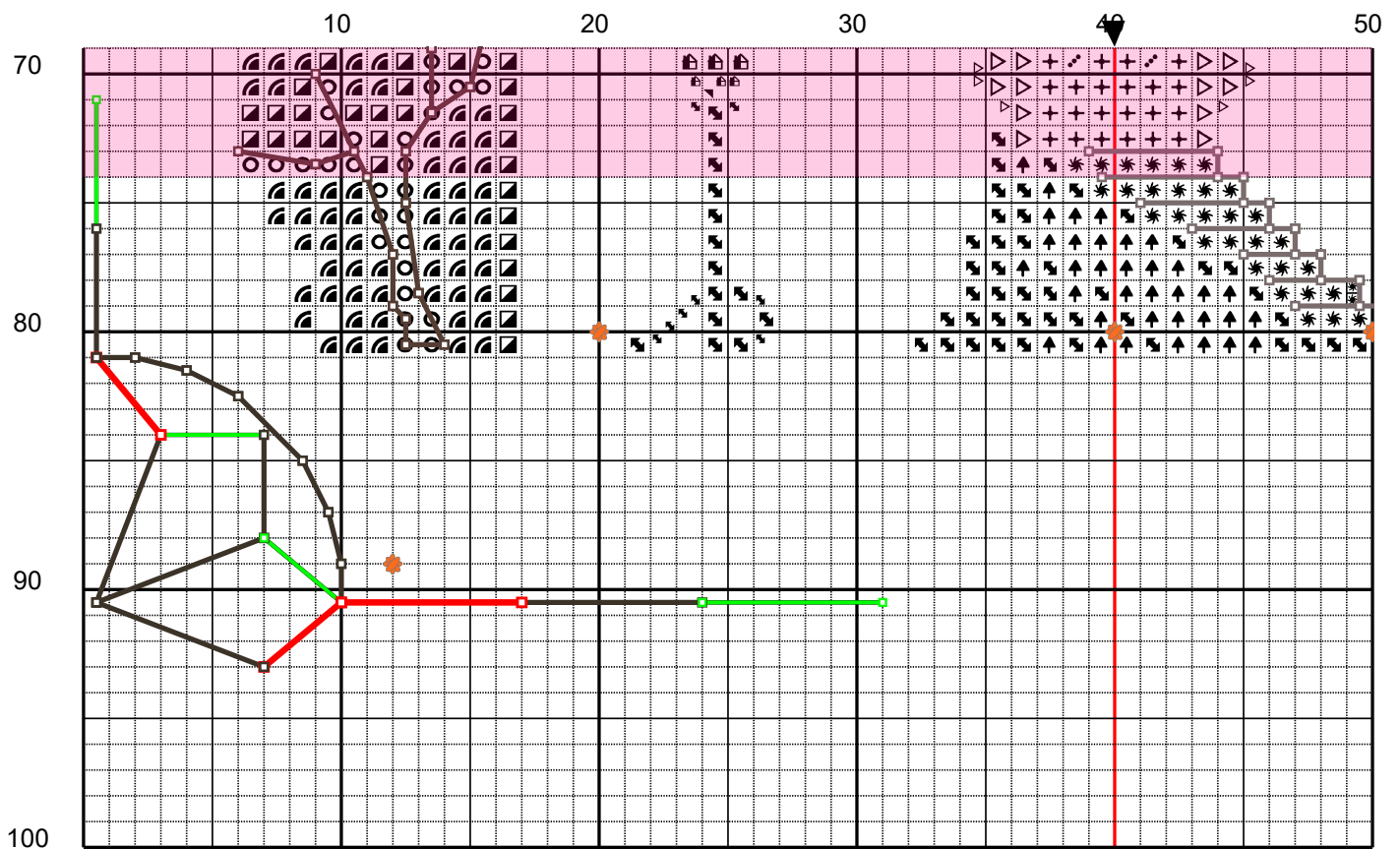
I hope you stay safe my friend,

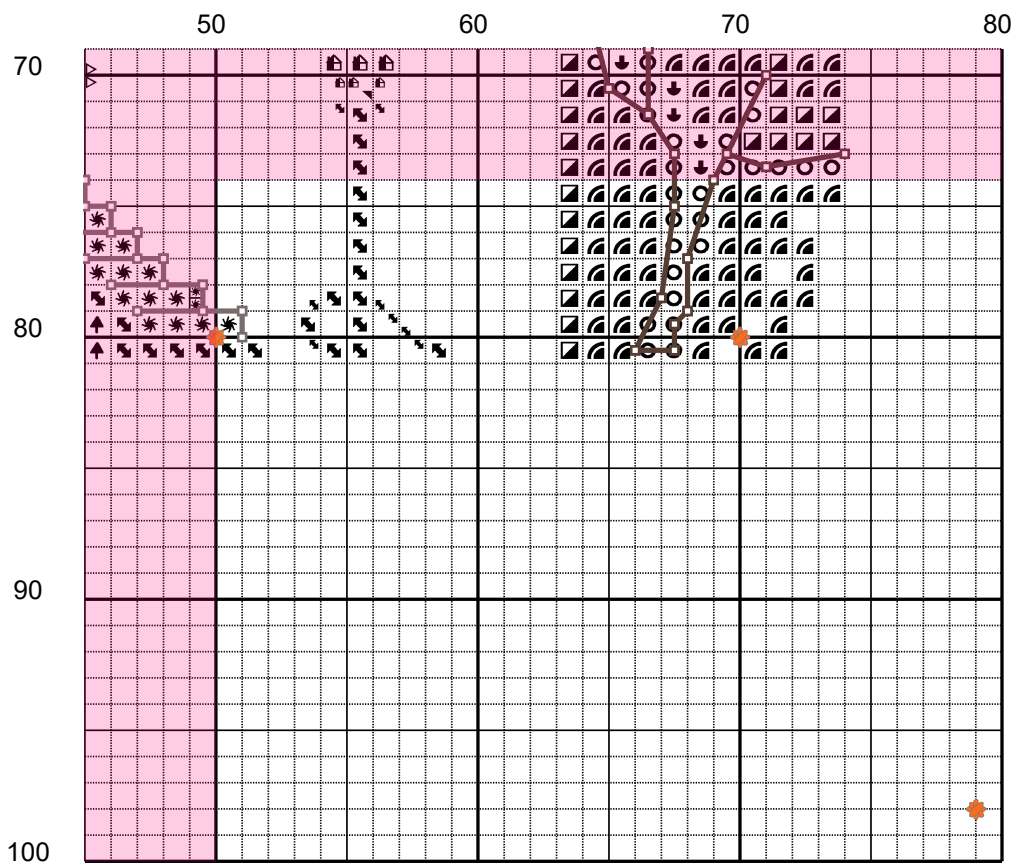
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	DMC 356	Terra Cotta medium	675	
	DMC 451	Shell Grey dark	107	
	DMC 452	Shell Grey medium	49	
	DMC 453	Shell Grey LT	44	
	DMC 676	Old Gold light	66	
	DMC 727	Topaz very light	12	
	DMC 729	Old Gold medium	44	
	DMC 745	Yellow light pale	11	
	DMC 794	Cornflower Blue light	2	
	DMC 839	Beige Brown dark	186	
	DMC 840	Beige Brown medium	6	
	DMC 3051	Green Grey dark	2	
	DMC 3346	Hunter Green Med	23	
	DMC 3347	Yellow Green Med	20	
	DMC 3772	Desert Sand very dark	9	
	DMC 3773	Flesh Med	121	
	DMC 3787	(1) Brown Grey dark	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	(3) Brown Grey dark	b/s only	
	DMC 3830	Terra Cotta	329	
	DMC 3853	Autumn Gold dark	1	
	DMC 3854	Autumn Gold medium	36	
	DMC 3855	Autumn Gold light	26	
No.	B/S - Color		Stitches	
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DMC 839 (2 str)	Beige Brown dark		186	
				
DMC 3787 (1 str)	(1) Brown Grey dark		7	
				
DMC 3787 (2 str)	Brown Grey		25	
				
DMC 3787 (3 str)	(3) Brown Grey dark		6	
				

Given the reception that your party received, and that your friends had been thrown in the cells, I tried to be particularly sneaky and quiet in my approach of the Woodland Realm in Mirkwood.

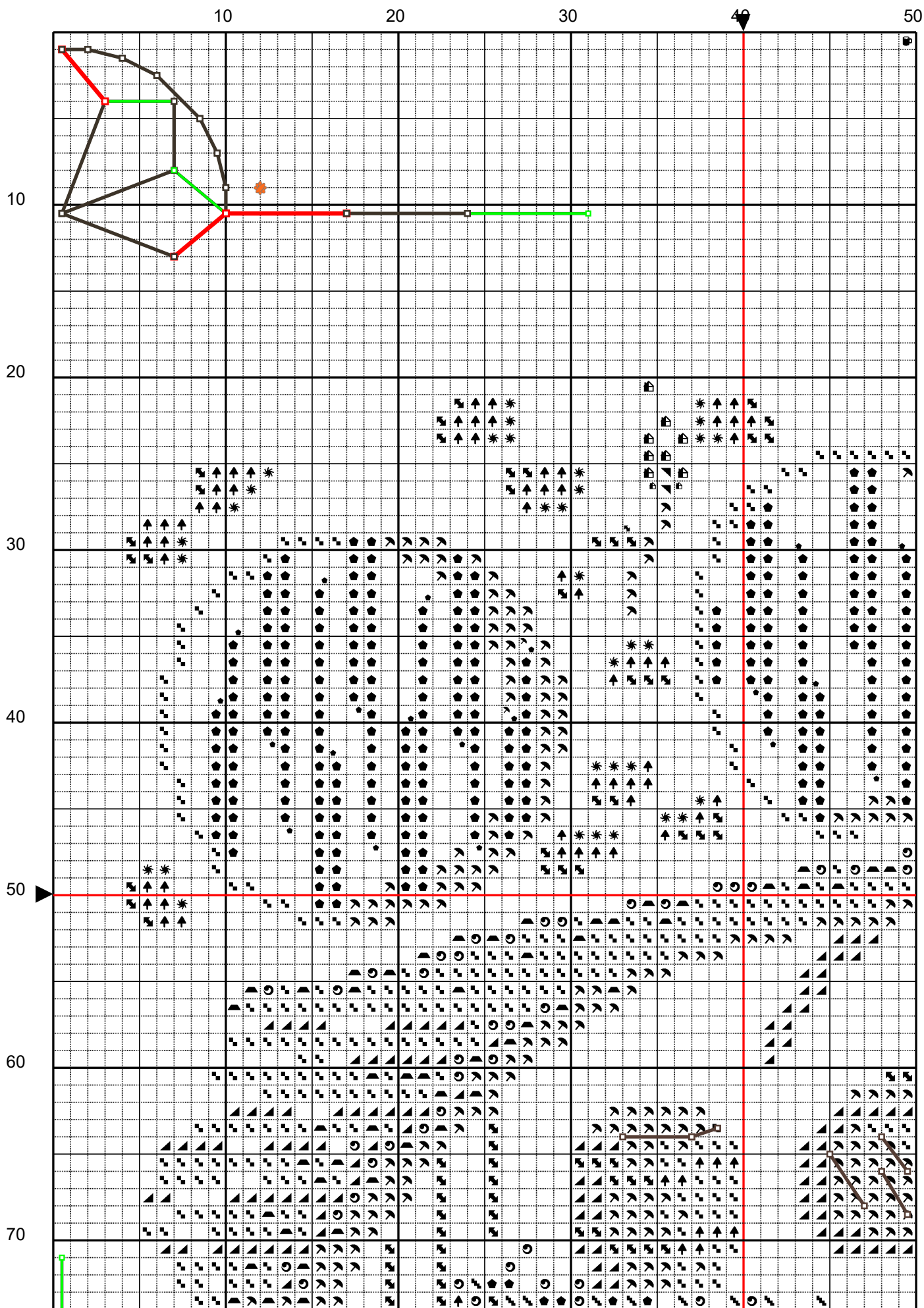
It turns out that us hobbits can be rather sneaky when we want to be, and I managed to sneak my way into the realm. This was, unfortunately, not the smartest move on my part. When I was eventually discovered, the fact that I had snuck past their defenses didn't go down well. They figured that I had to be locked up in order to stop me sneaking anywhere else I wasn't supposed to go to!

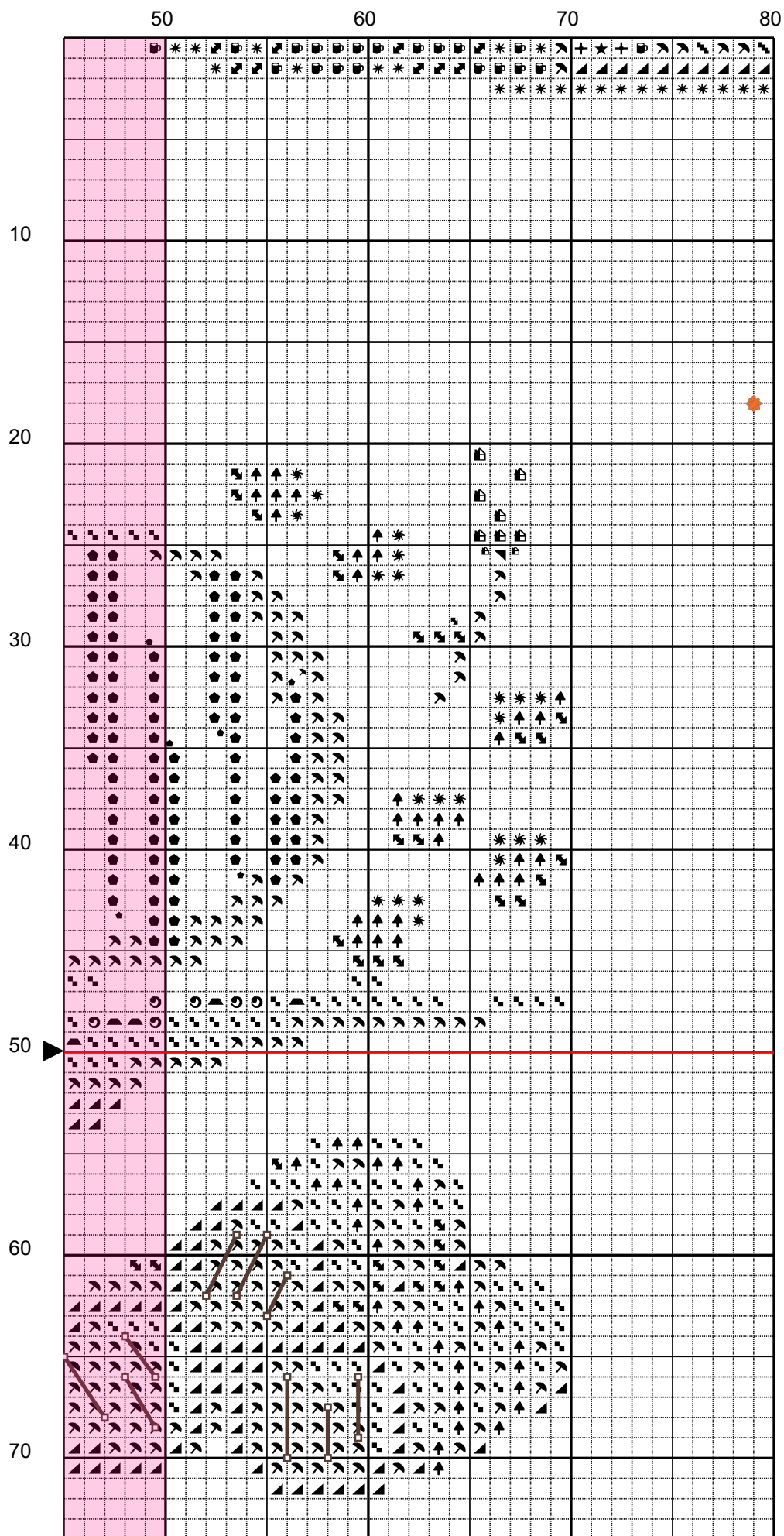
So I ended up experiencing the cells in Mirkwood, by the wine cellars. I did, obviously manage to make my escape (otherwise how would I be writing to you now?) and my route was somewhat inspired by your own adventures. I will need to seek you out elsewhere to tell you about my escape.

Stay safe my friend.

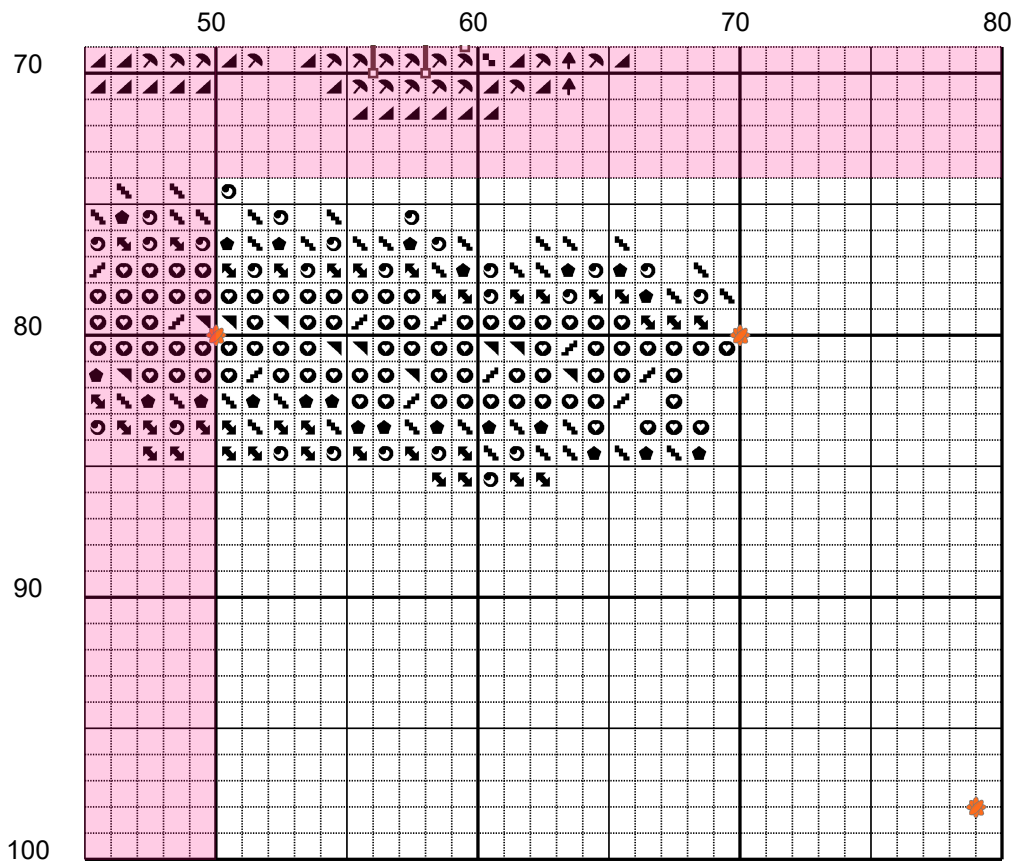
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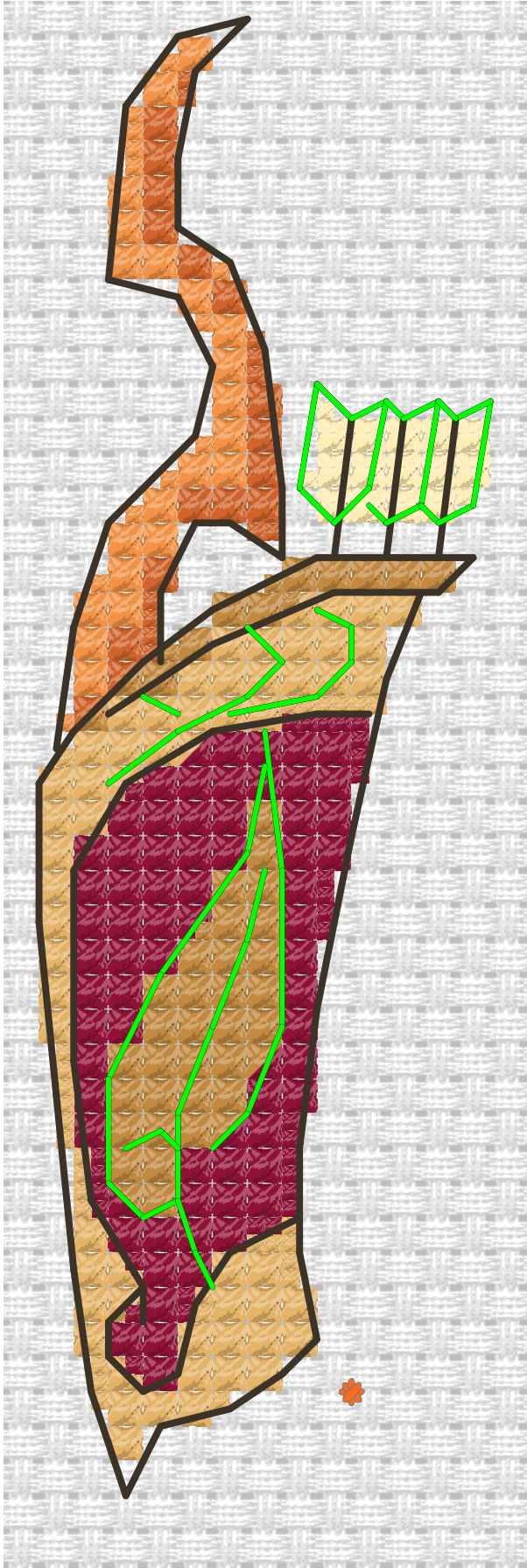


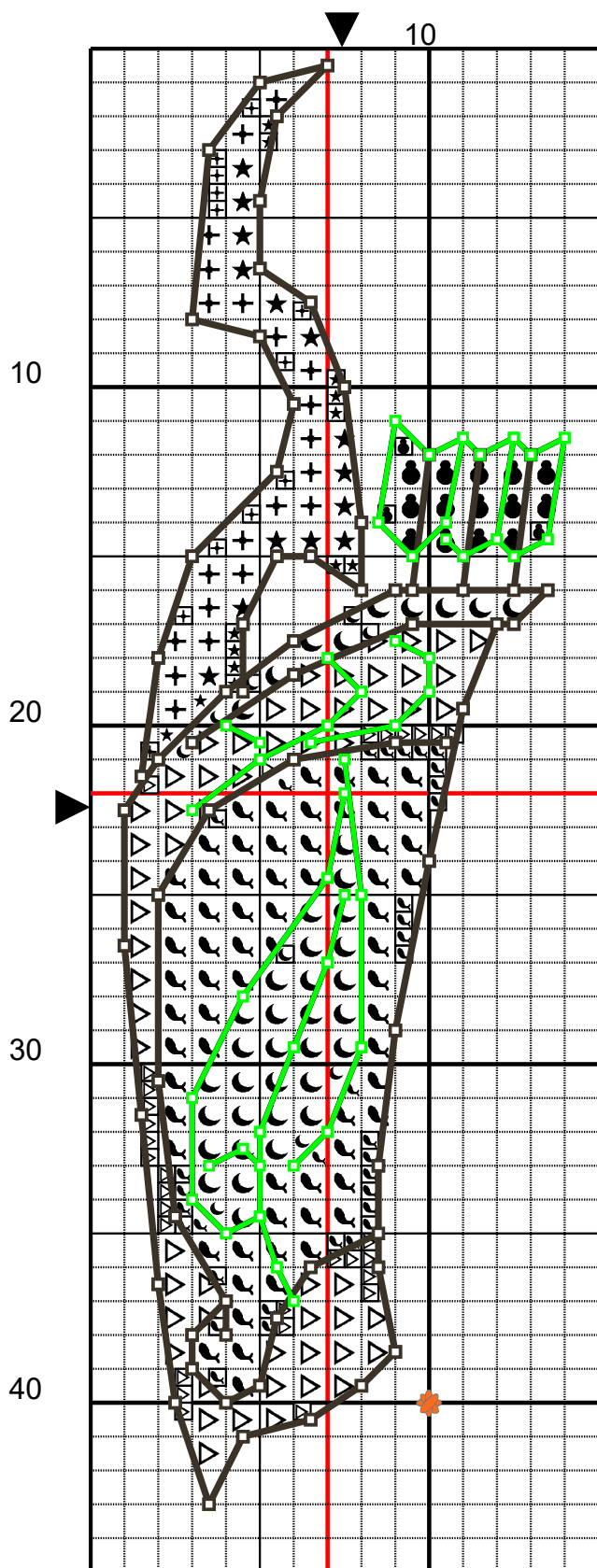




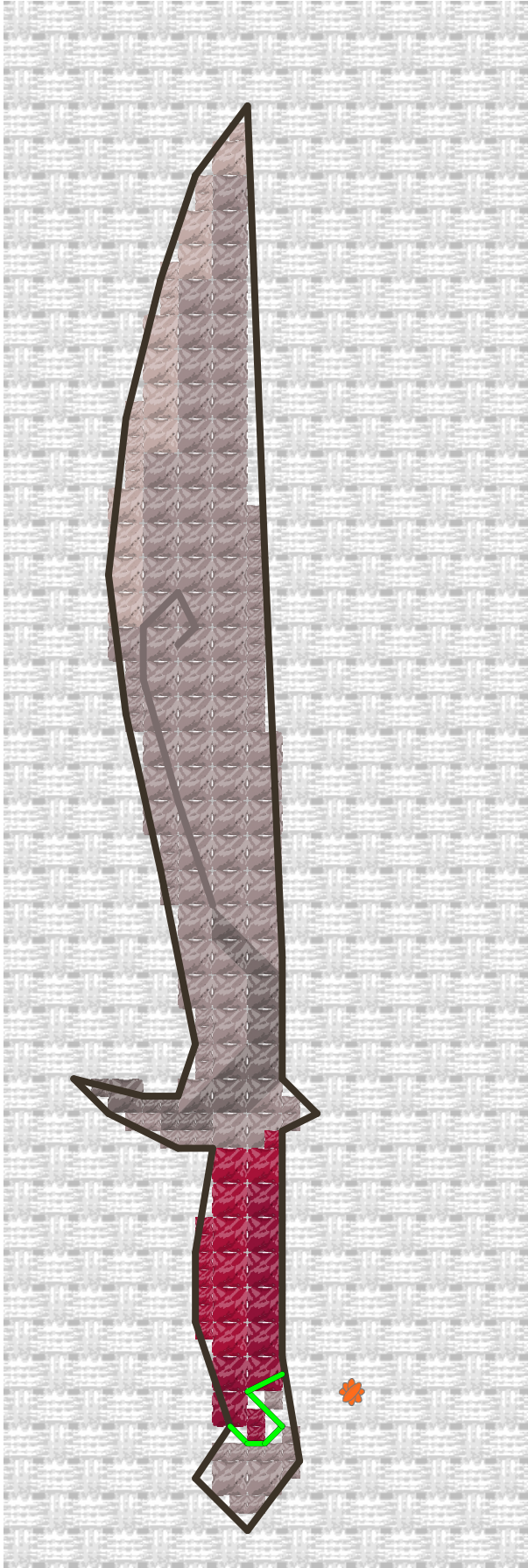


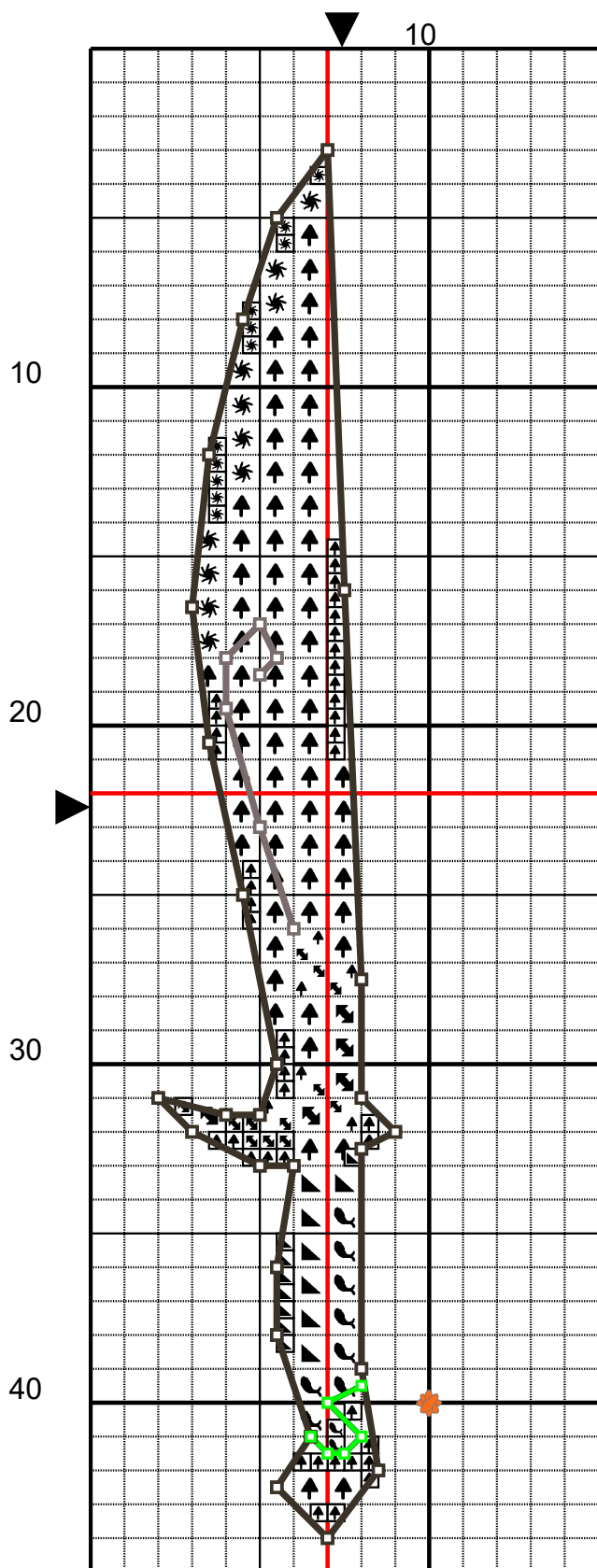
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	DMC 452	Shell Grey medium	2	0	130	
	DMC 453	Shell Grey LT	2	0	55	
	DMC 792	Cornflower Blue dark	2	0	20	
	DMC 793	Cornflower Blue medium	2	0	176	
	DMC 794	Cornflower Blue light	2	0	38	
	DMC 839	Beige Brown dark	2	0	195	
	DMC 840	Beige Brown medium	2	0	402	
	DMC 841	Beige Brown light	2	0	376	
	DMC 3051	Green Grey dark	2	0	70	
	DMC 3052	Green Grey Med	2	0	104	
	DMC 3053	Green Grey LT	2	0	53	
	DMC 3346	Hunter Green Med	2	0	23	
	DMC 3347	Yellow Green Med	2	0	20	
	DMC 3772	Desert Sand very dark	2	0	9	
	DMC 3787	(1) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	(3) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3853	Autumn Gold dark	2	0	1	
	DMC 3854	Autumn Gold medium	2	0	2	
No.	B/S - Color				Stitches	
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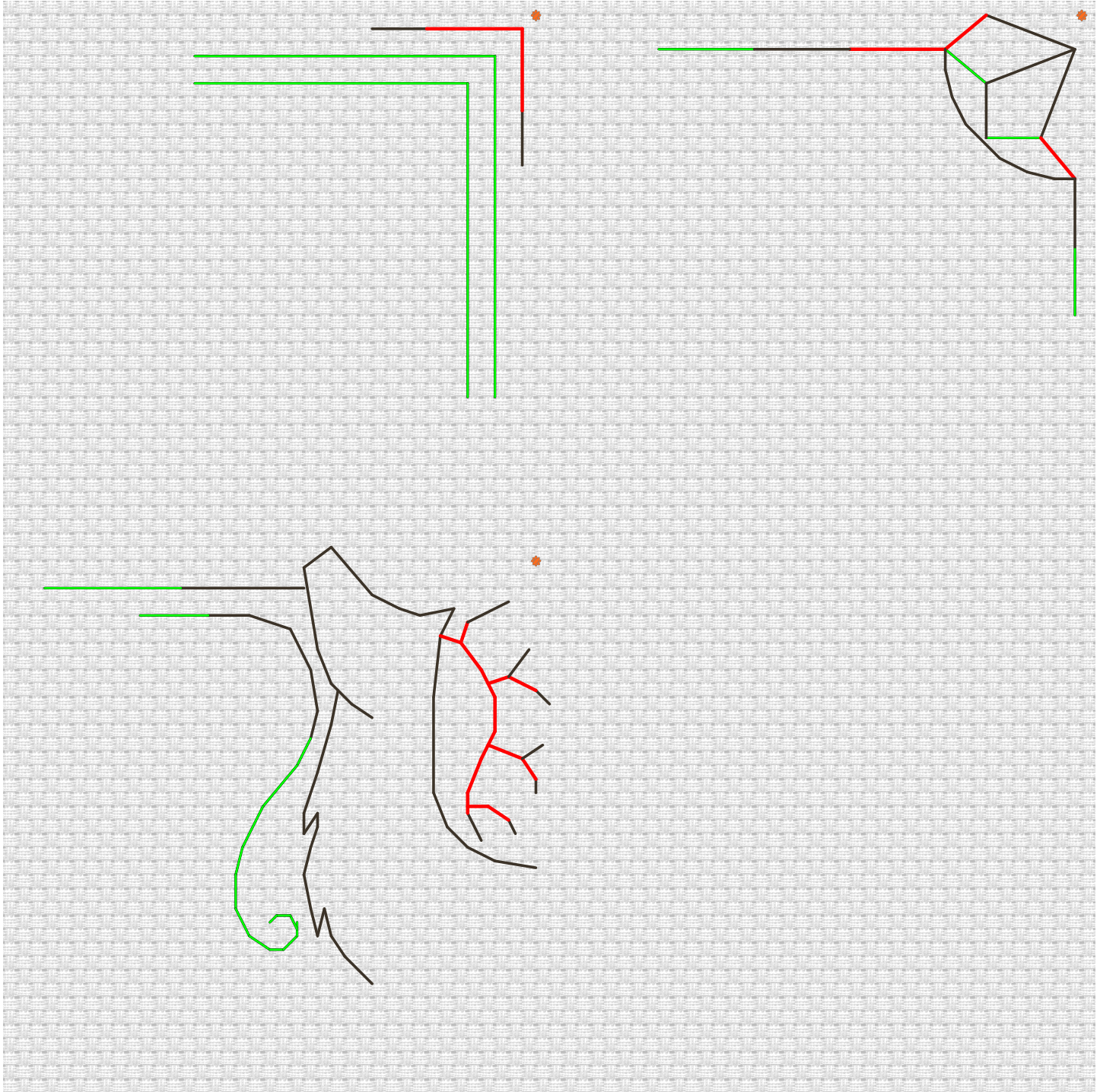


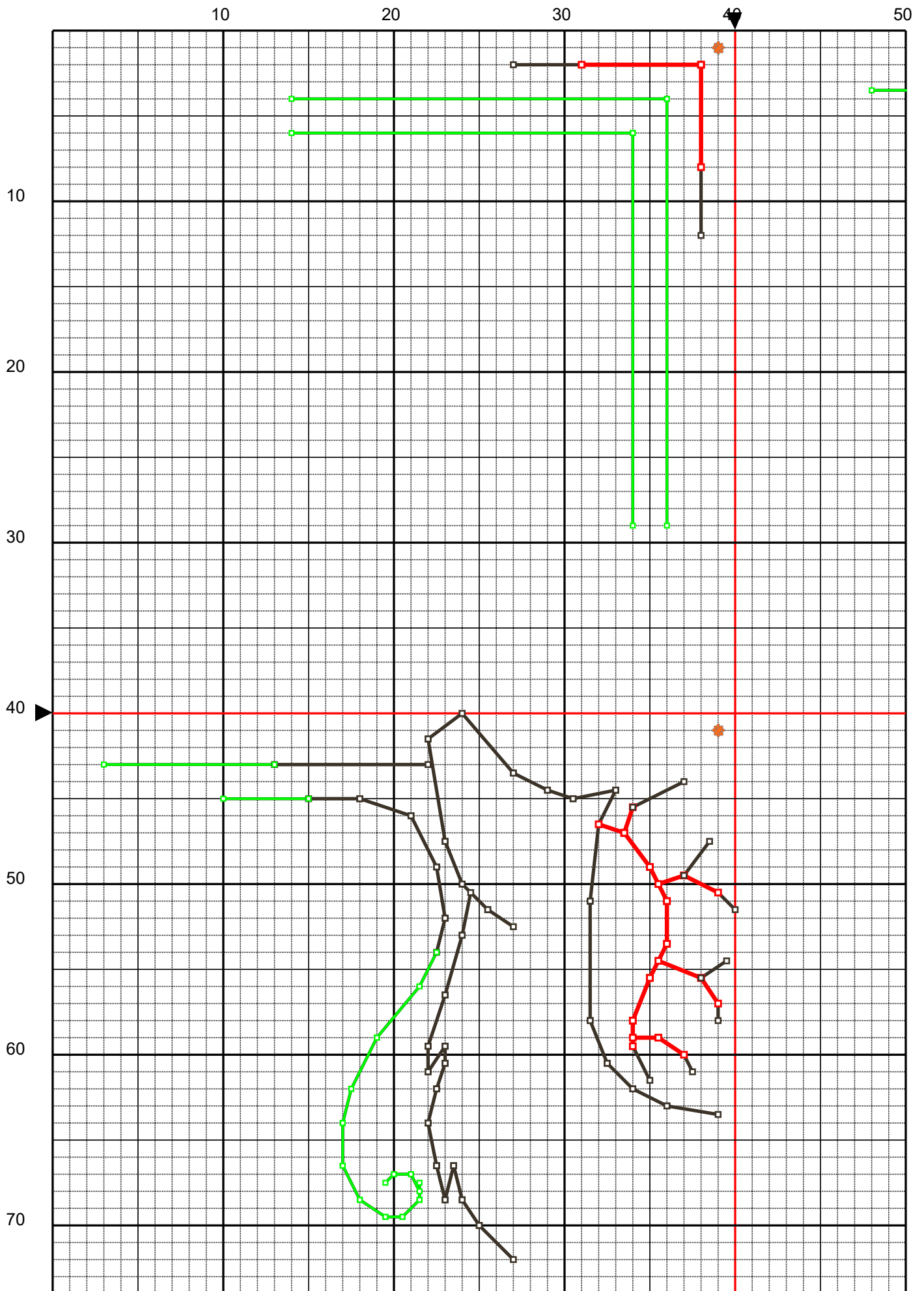
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	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	2	0	b/s only	
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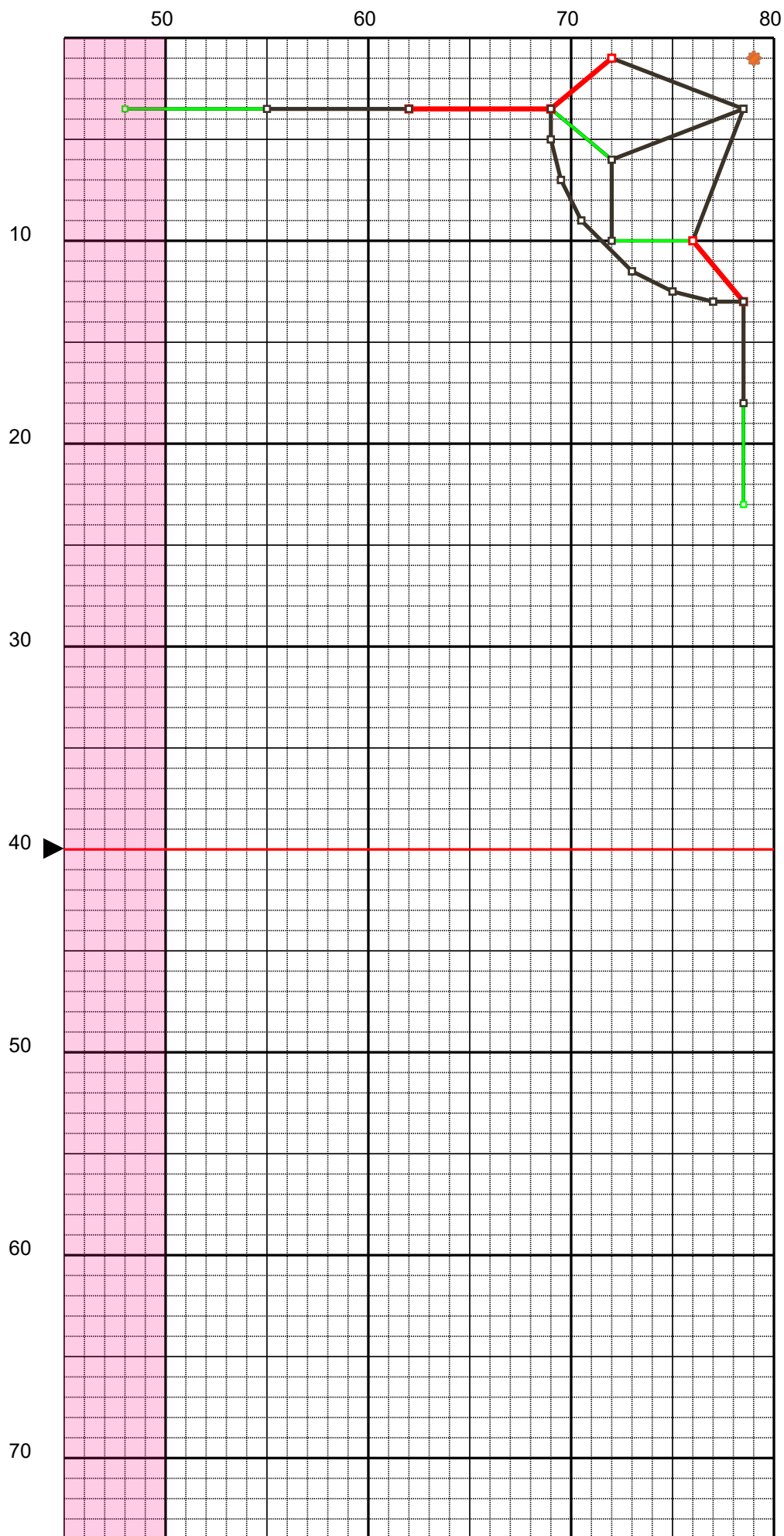


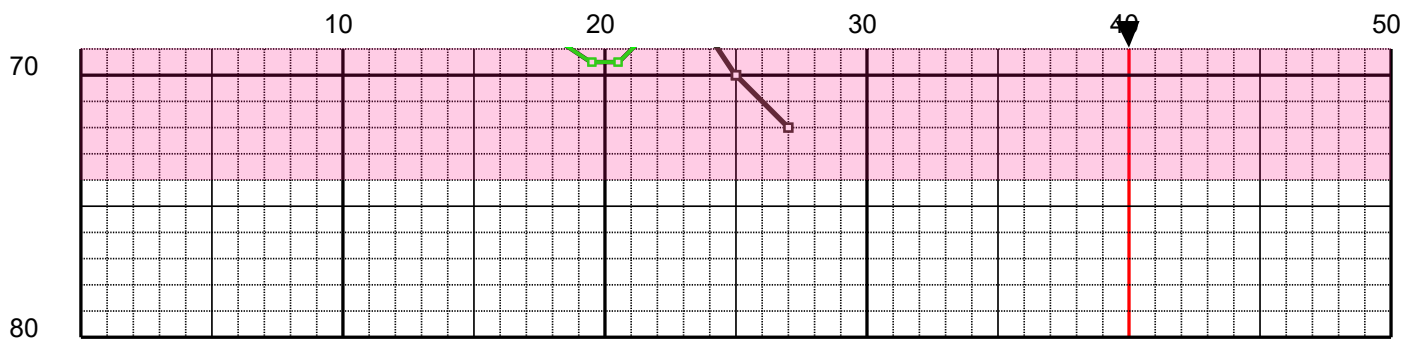


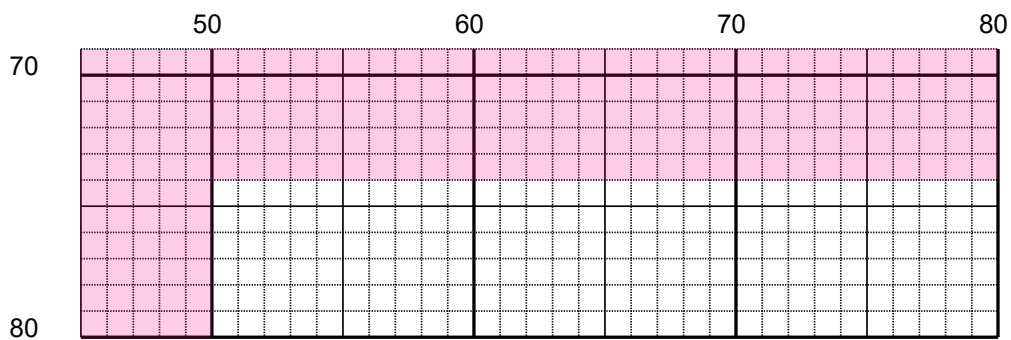
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	DMC 452	Shell Grey medium	2	0	114	
	DMC 453	Shell Grey LT	2	0	22	
	DMC 3787	(1) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	2	0	b/s only	
No.	B/S - Color					Stitches
DMC 451 (2 str)	Shell Grey dark					6
						
DMC 3787 (1 str)	(1) Brown Grey dark					5
						
DMC 3787 (2 str)	Brown Grey					26
						











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	DMC 740	Anchor Point (do not stitch	2	3		
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	DMC 3787	(3) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
No.	B/S - Color					Stitches
DMC 3787 (1 str)	(1) Brown Grey dark					23
DMC 3787 (2 str)	Brown Grey					58
DMC 3787 (3 str)	(3) Brown Grey dark					19

Have you ever been to a place that is kept as beautifully as a garden? Everything thought out, measured, and pristine. Lothlorien can be like that, I don't know how the elves did it, but through some unknown, almost magical, force they have been able to make Lothlorien a beautiful and peaceful haven.

And like any garden, there are many aspects to it⁵

⁵ What feature would you put into a peaceful garden?

- Ornamental trees Page 105
- Water feature Page 112
- landscaping Page 119

I have always loved those gardens that have small, shaped trees. Something about the patience to grow and tend to something for the years that it would take I find awe inspiring. Maybe it's the dedication to a single place and that I find so different to my life that it makes me reflect.

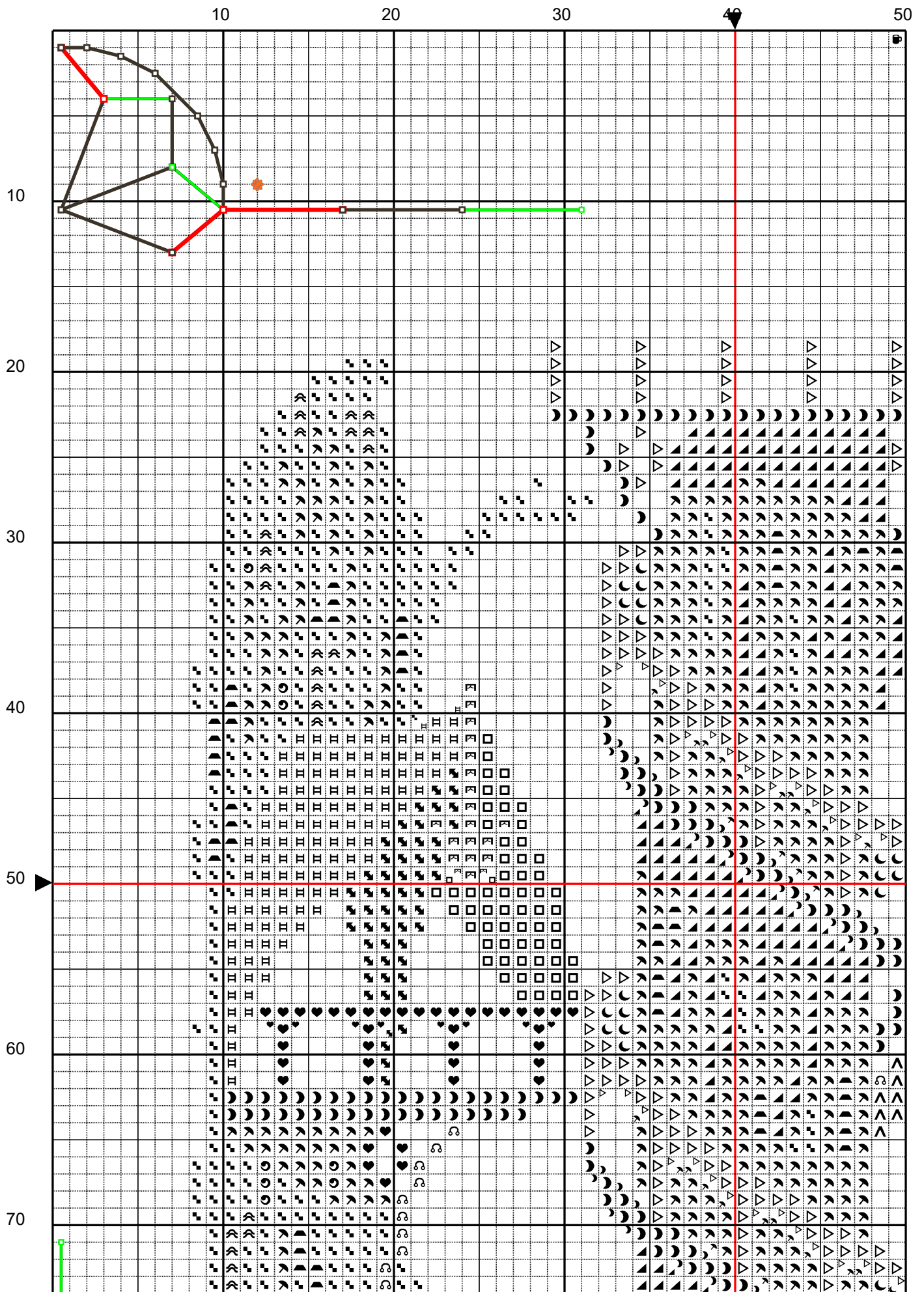
The trees here in Lothlorien put those little trees to shame. The golden trees here look almost sculpted. And I don't just mean that they look pretty, they are functional too, they are their homes. They live up in the trees here, off the ground.

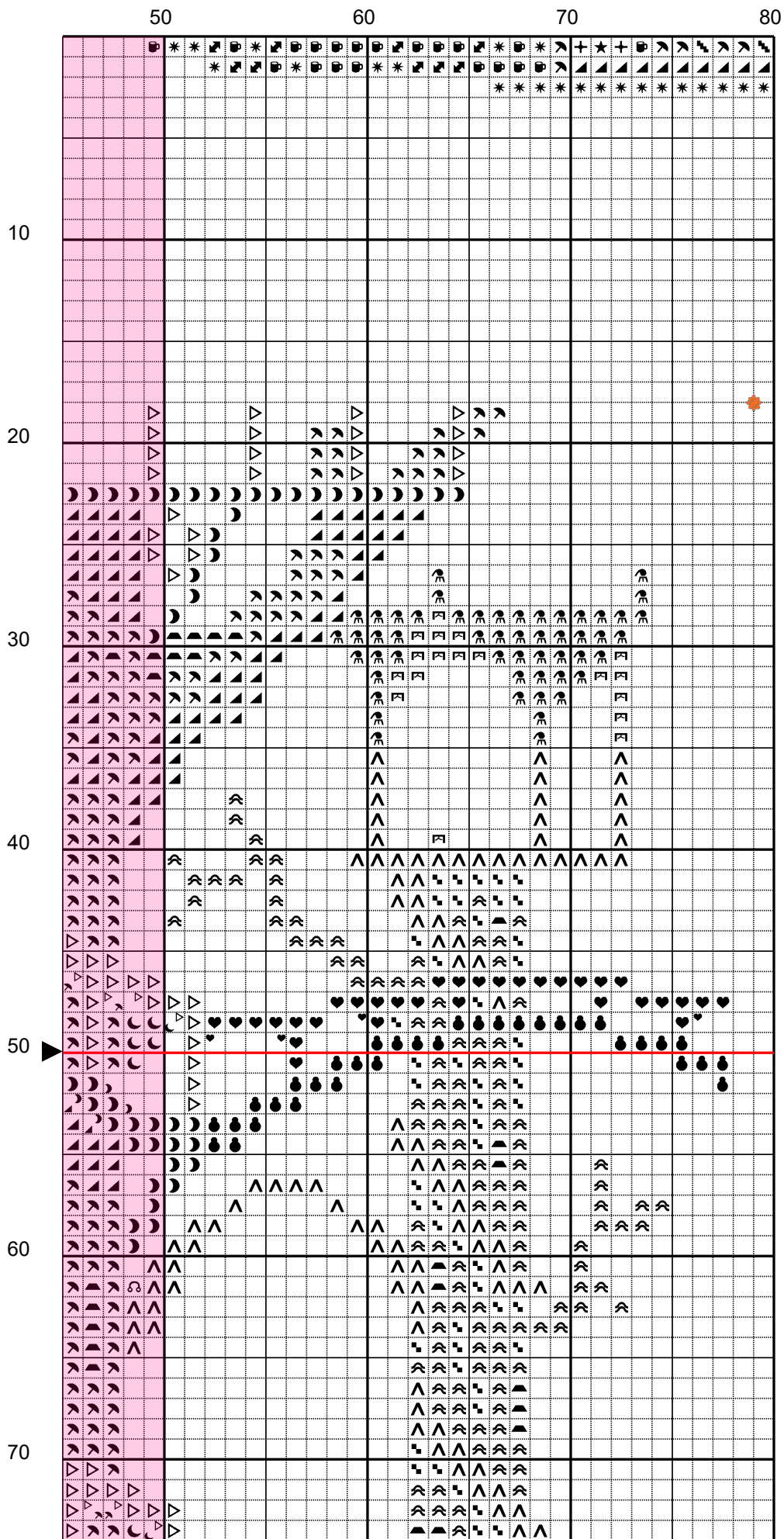
Something about being up in the tree canopy just brings me peace, and they say that evil can't enter here. I think this may well be where I settle down, maybe I can tempt you to change your mind from going to Rivendell, and convince you to come here to Lothlorien instead.

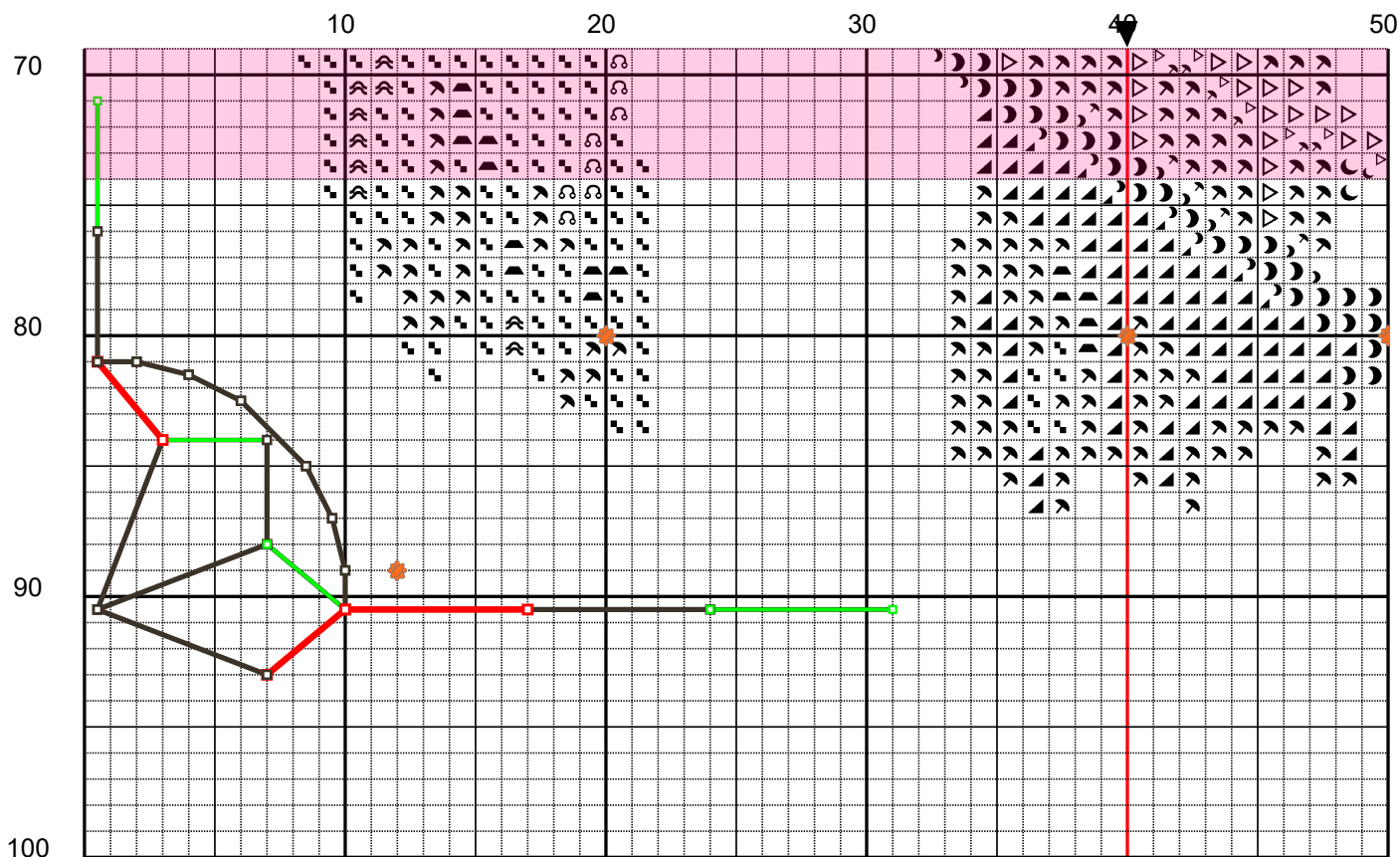
Either way, stay safe my friend.

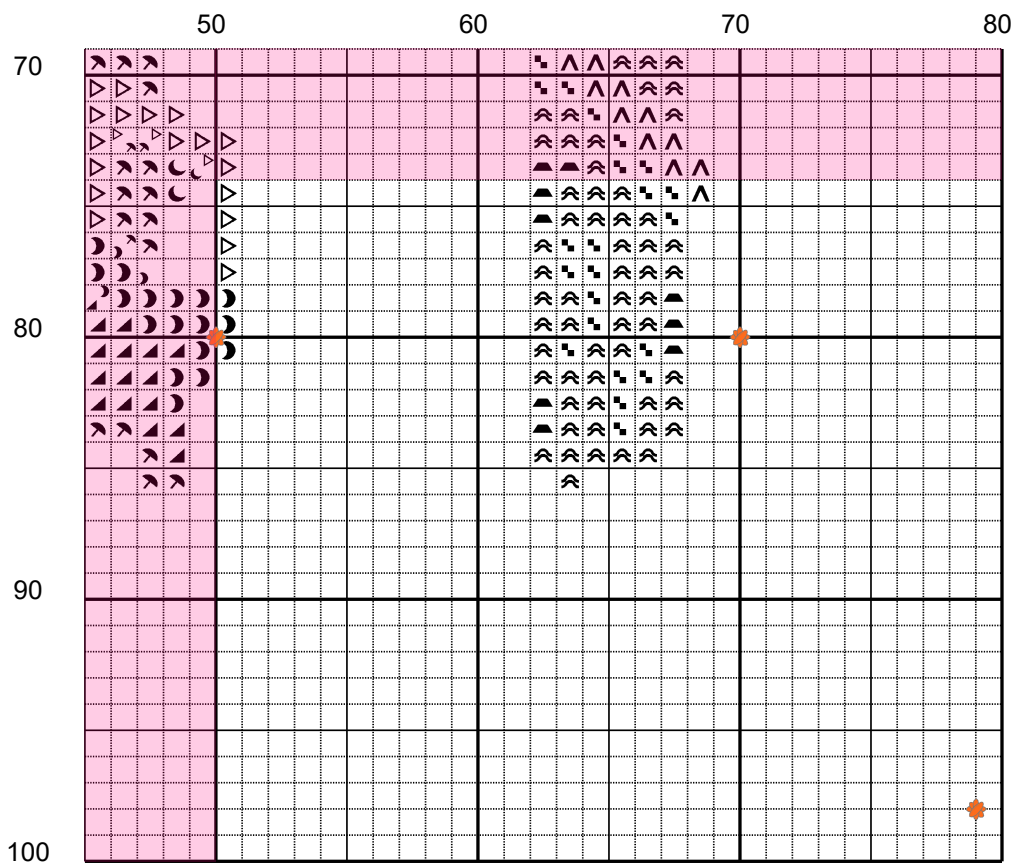
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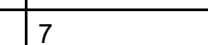










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☼	DMC 162	Blue ultra very light	2	0	52	
☼	DMC 168	Pewter very light	2	0	38	
☼	DMC 451	Shell Grey dark	2	0	54	
^	DMC 543	Beige Brown ultra	2	0	100	
▷	DMC 676	Old Gold light	2	0	206	
☾	DMC 712	Cream	2	0	210	
☾	DMC 729	Old Gold medium	2	0	21	
☼	DMC 739	Tan ultra very light	2	0	14	
♥	DMC 745	Yellow light pale	2	0	85	
▲	DMC 839	Beige Brown dark	2	0	297	
☼	DMC 840	Beige Brown medium	2	0	600	
☼	DMC 841	Beige Brown light	2	0	421	
☼	DMC 842	Beige Brown very light	2	0	198	
☼	DMC 3051	Green Grey dark	2	0	2	
☼	DMC 3052	Green Grey Med	2	0	8	
☼	DMC 3053	Green Grey LT	2	0	80	
☼	DMC 3346	Hunter Green Med	2	0	23	
☼	DMC 3347	Yellow Green Med	2	0	20	
☼	DMC 3772	Desert Sand very dark	2	0	9	
	DMC 3787	(1) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	(3) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
☼	DMC 3823	Yellow ultra pale	2	0	34	
★	DMC 3853	Autumn Gold dark	2	0	1	
+	DMC 3854	Autumn Gold medium	2	0	2	
No.	B/S - Color					Stitches
DMC 3787 (1 str)	(1) Brown Grey dark					7
						
DMC 3787 (2 str)	Brown Grey					25
						
DMC 3787 (3 str)	(3) Brown Grey dark					6
						

There is something about being in a garden, surrounded by life, and sitting by a water feature. The ones in the Shire always tended be to a bit more on the practical side, with water mills, or fishing ponds.

Here in Eothlorien, I got to experience a different sort of practical water feature. Late one night, I saw the Lady Galadriel walking down towards a stone pedestal with a bowl on it. She calls it her mirror, but it's not of glass, it's the clearest water. She peered into it, entirely transfixed, before she brought out a small phial and filled it with the reflected light of the stars. The phial glowed, and I had no idea how that would even be possible.

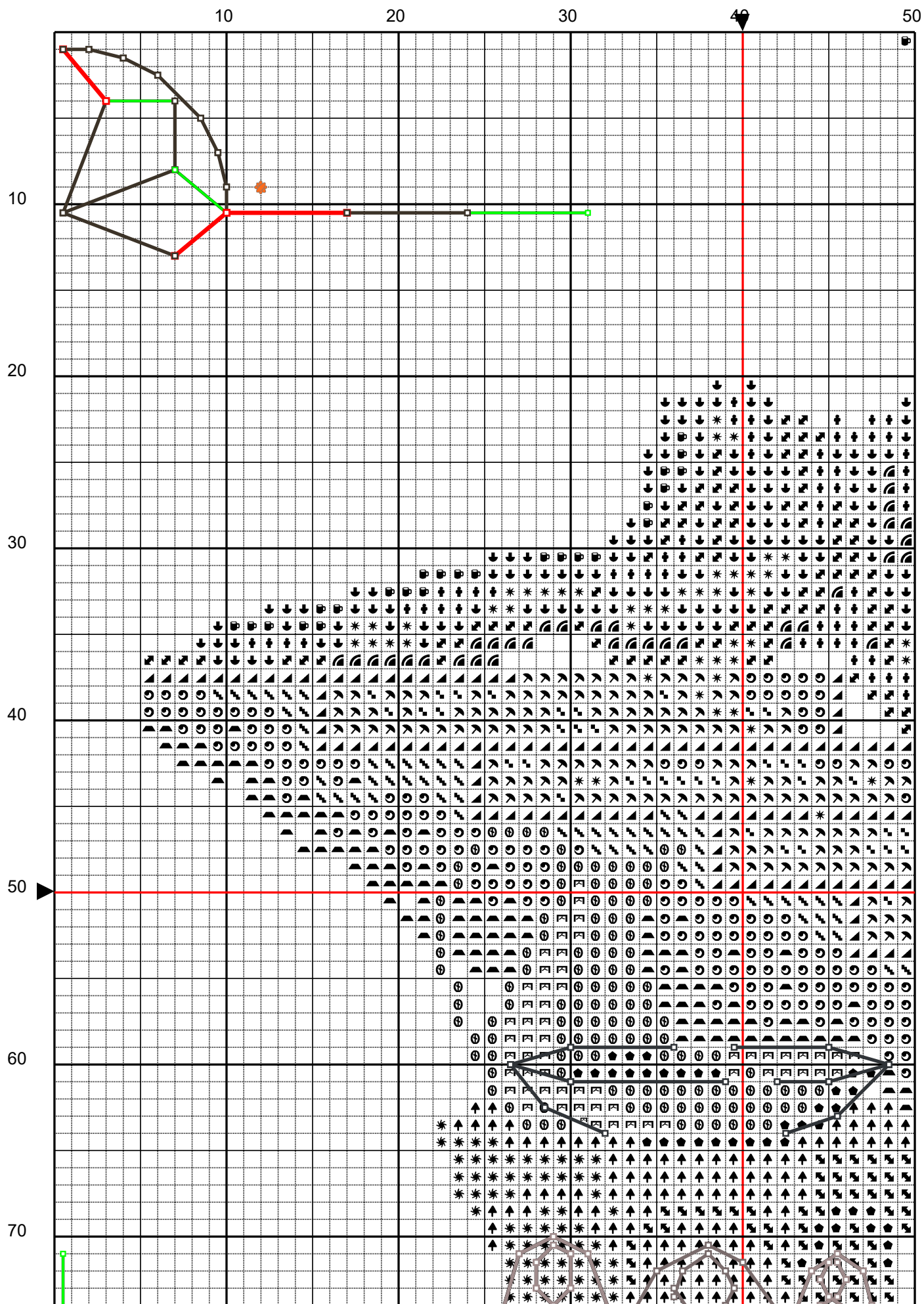
The elves here have been truly welcoming to me, and they have been asking me many questions about the ways of hobbits. I think I will be welcome to stay here for a while longer, although Lady Galadriel has warned me that the time for Eothlorien may be waning.

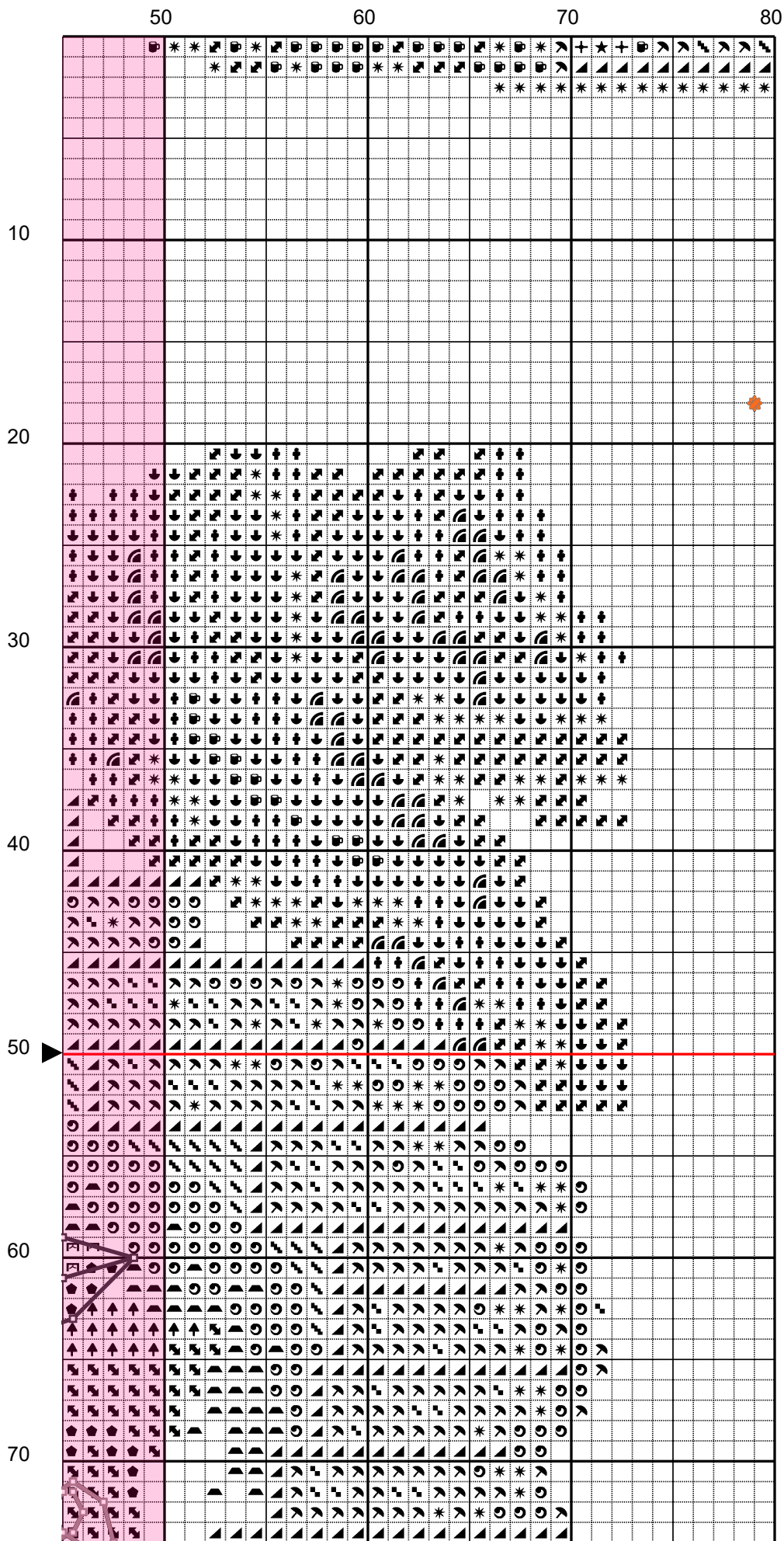
I shall have to make the most of it while I can.

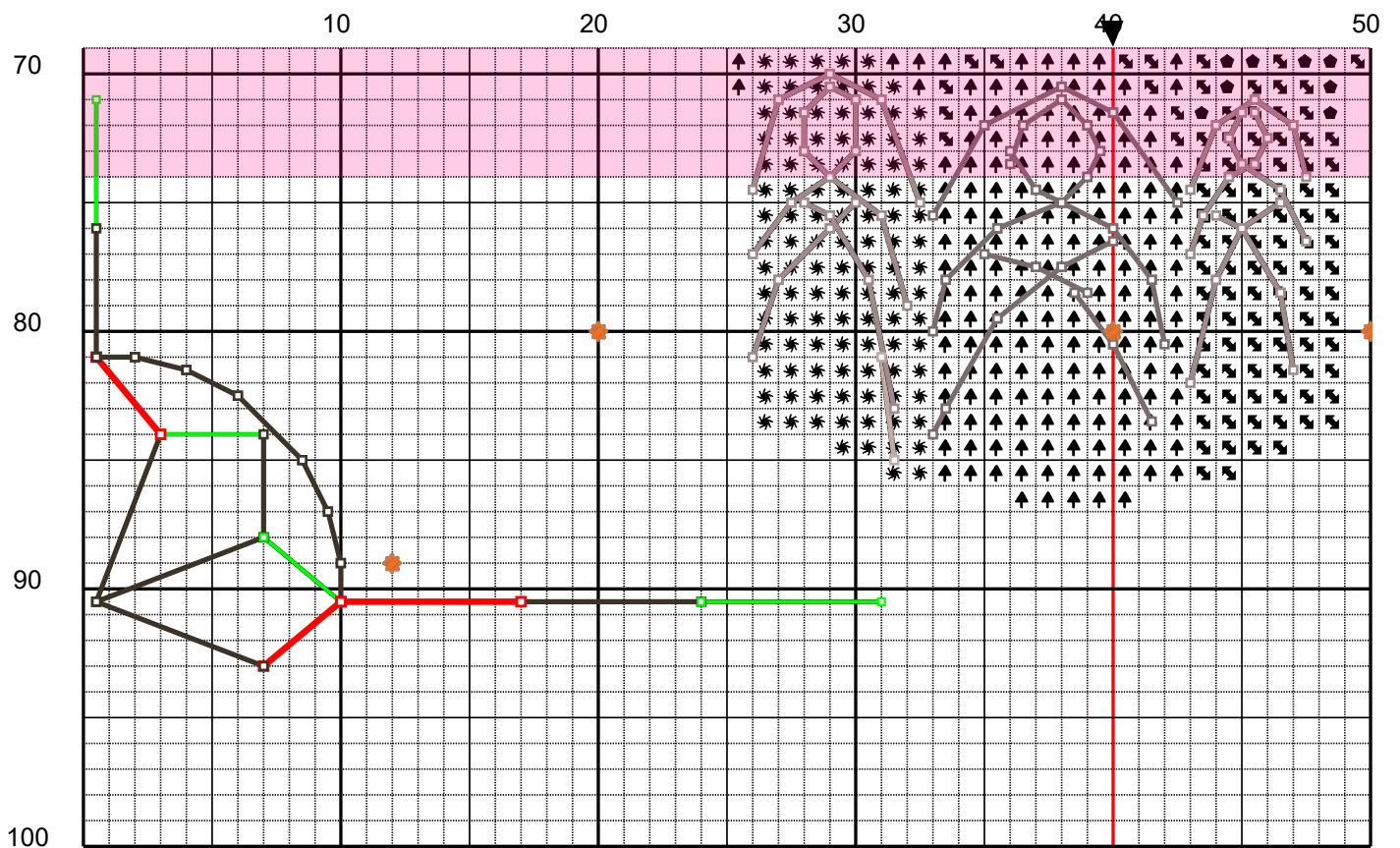
Stay safe my friend.

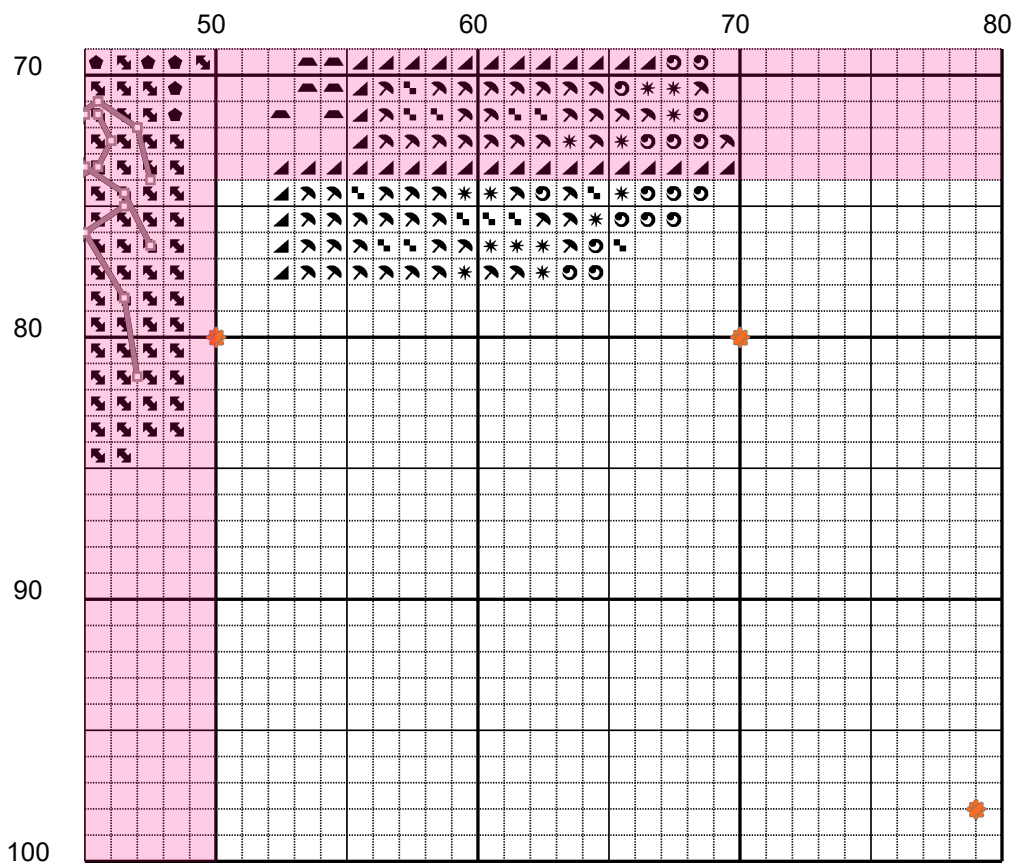
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	DMC 355	Terra Cotta dark		
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	DMC 413	Pewter Grey dark	41	
	DMC 451	Shell Grey dark	137	
	DMC 452	Shell Grey medium	250	
	DMC 453	Shell Grey LT	140	
	DMC 839	Beige Brown dark	251	
	DMC 840	Beige Brown medium	340	
	DMC 841	Beige Brown light	92	
	DMC 3051	Green Grey dark	83	
	DMC 3052	Green Grey Med	283	
	DMC 3053	Green Grey LT	142	
	DMC 3346	Hunter Green Med	180	
	DMC 3347	Yellow Green Med	60	
	DMC 3772	Desert Sand very dark	247	
	DMC 3773	Flesh Med	323	
	DMC 3787	(1) Brown Grey dark	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	150	
	DMC 3787	(3) Brown Grey dark	b/s only	
	DMC 3799	Pewter Grey very dark	b/s only	
	DMC 3853	Autumn Gold dark	1	
	DMC 3854	Autumn Gold medium	2	
No.	B/S - Color		Stitches	
DMC 451 (2 str)	Shell Grey dark		26	
				
DMC 452 (2 str)	Shell Grey medium		39	
				
DMC 453 (2 str)	Shell Grey LT		1	
				
DMC 3787 (1 str)	(1) Brown Grey dark		7	
				
DMC 3787 (2 str)	Brown Grey		25	
				
DMC 3787 (3 str)	(3) Brown Grey dark		6	
				
DMC 3799 (2 str)	Pewter Grey very dark		12	
				

I have always loved the gardens that have played around with the land itself. Where not mear plants, but the earth itself is sculpted to make a place unique.

They have done something similar here in Lothlorien, they have use some forces throughout the ages to turn this from a meer forest into a beautiful paradise.

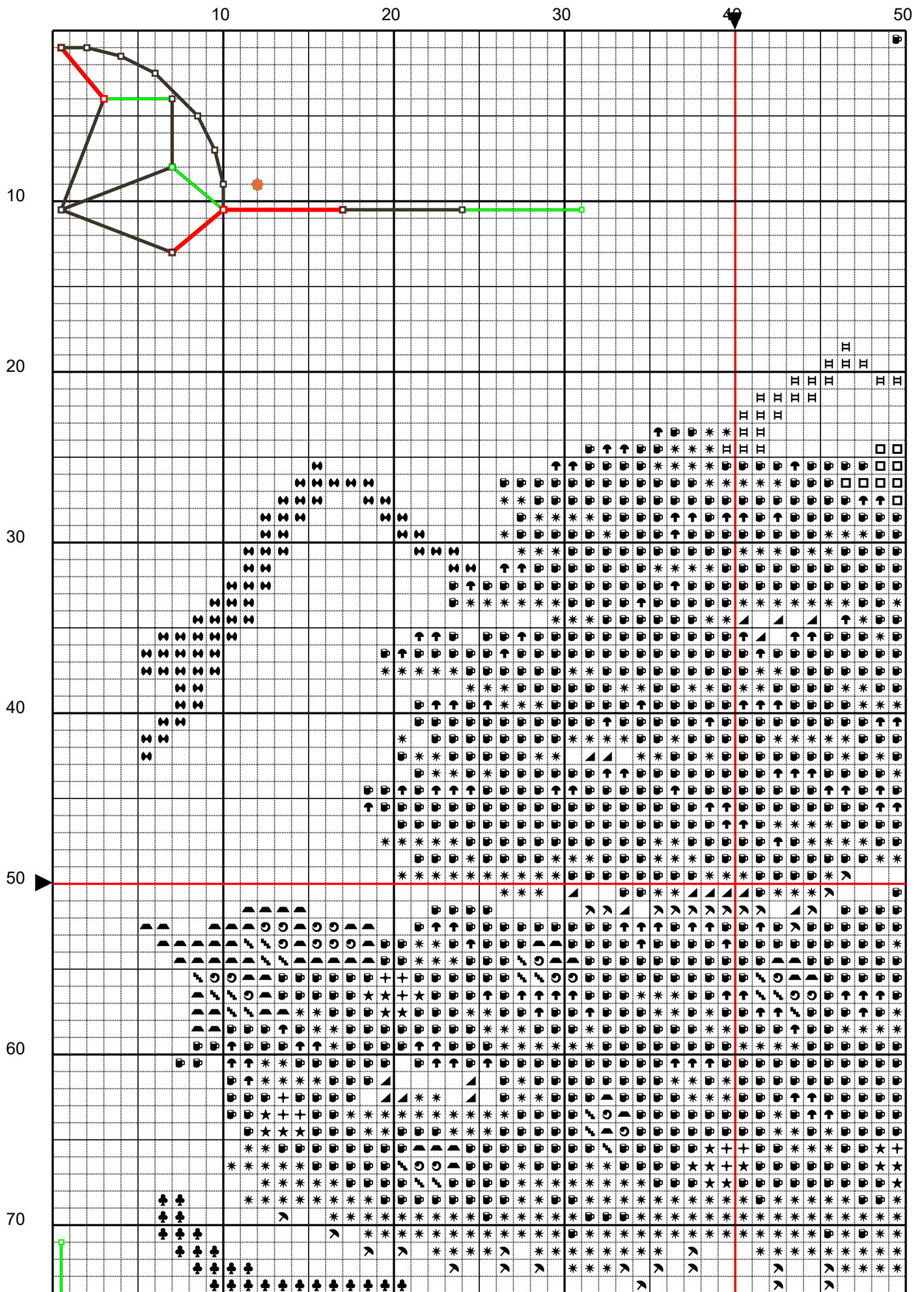
When I first approached Lothlorien, I got my first sight of Calas Galadhon from a distance. A huge mound of trees. A beautiful, living mountain. Unlike any other mountain or hill I have ever seen.

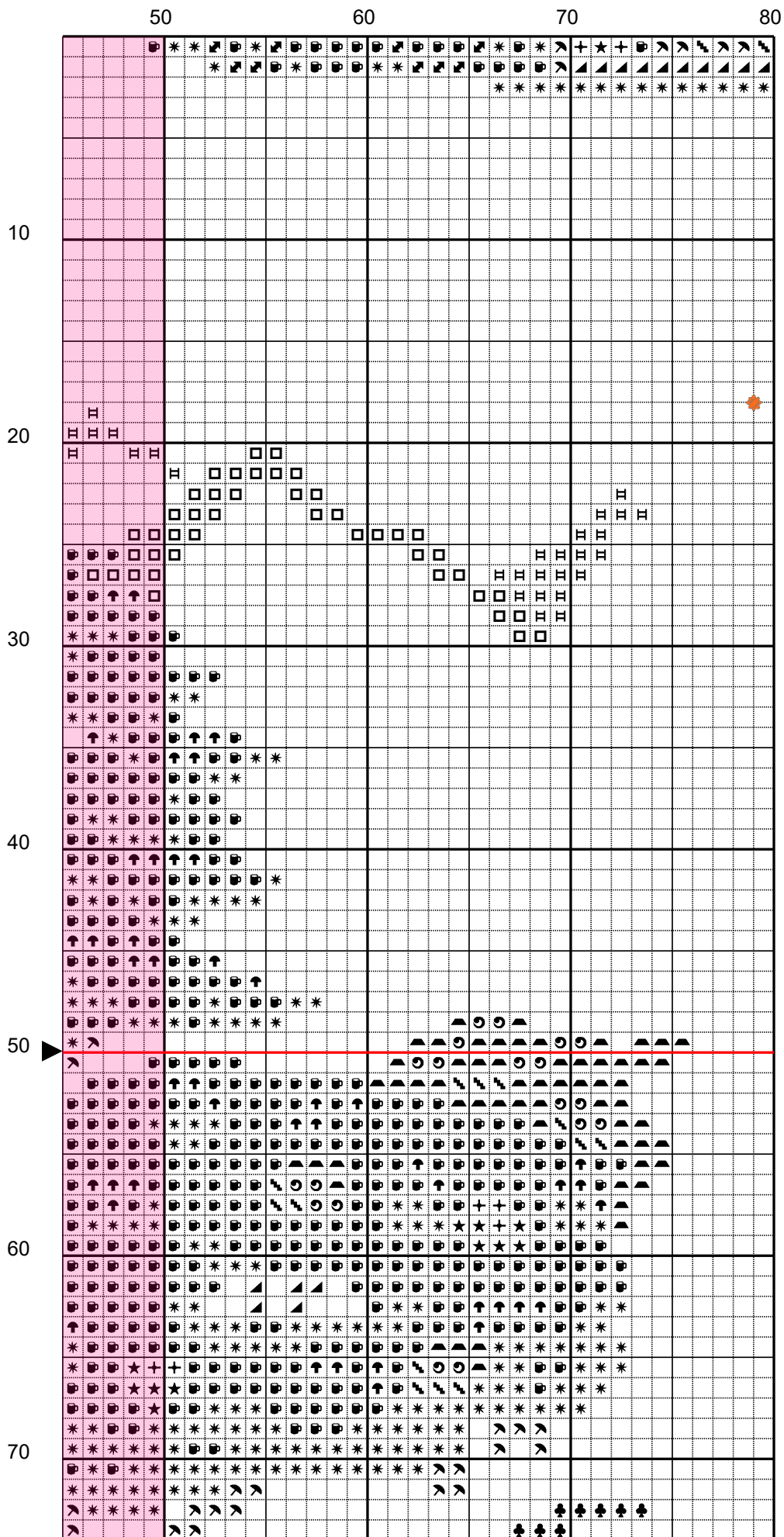
Bilbo, I know that you have your heart set on retiring to Rivendell, but I swear that you would love it here in Lothlorien. You should change your plans and come here.

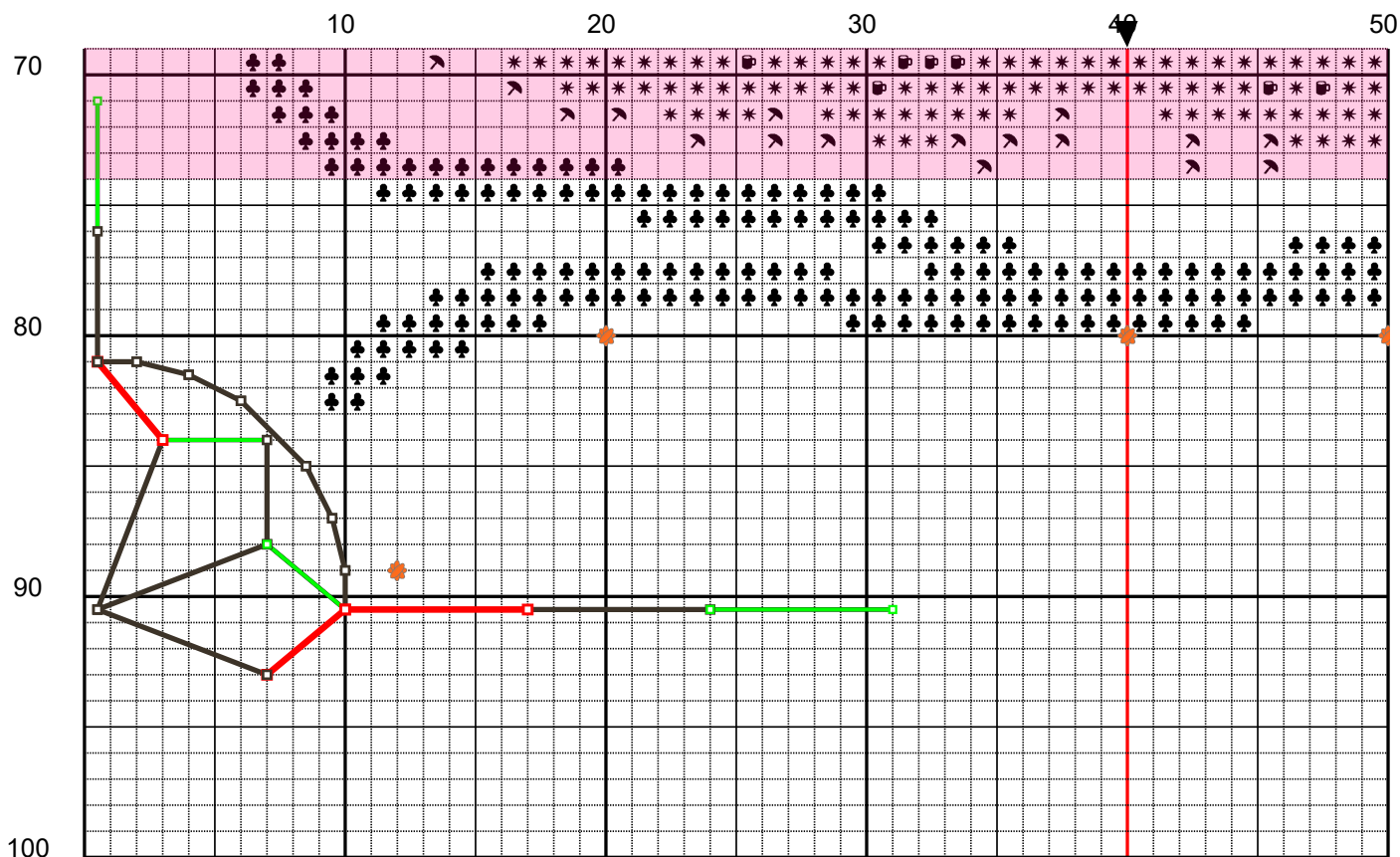
Either way, stay safe my friend.

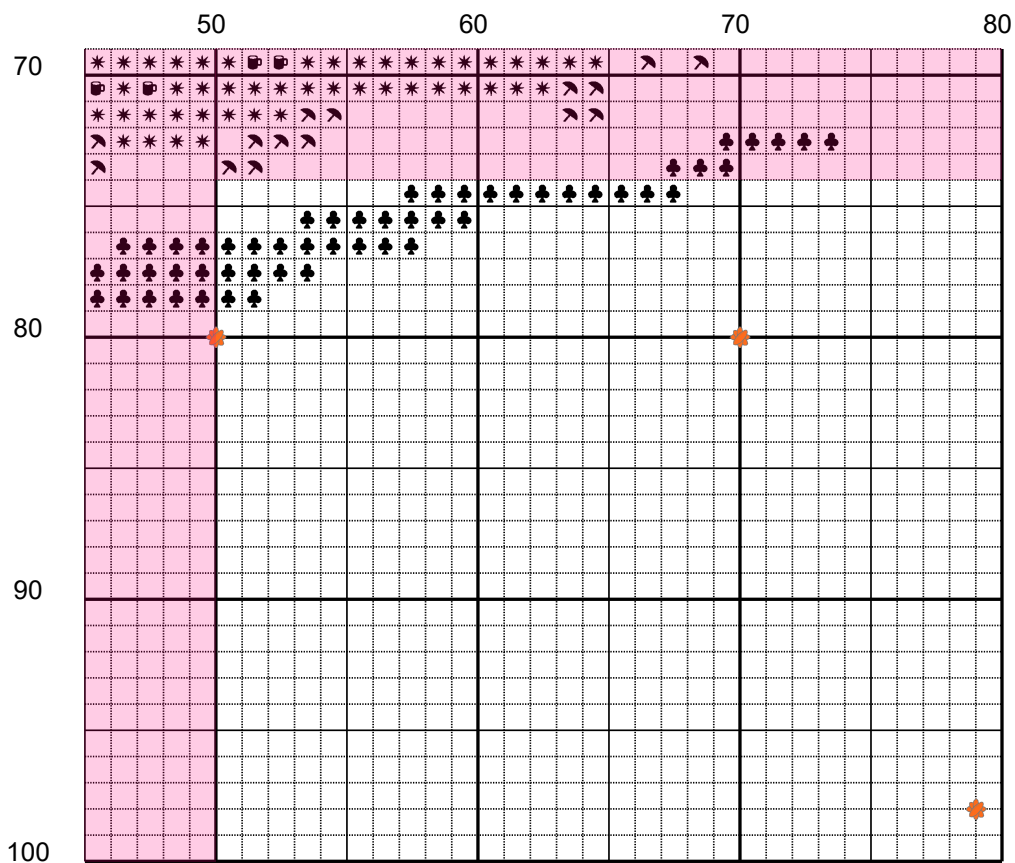
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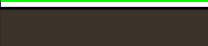


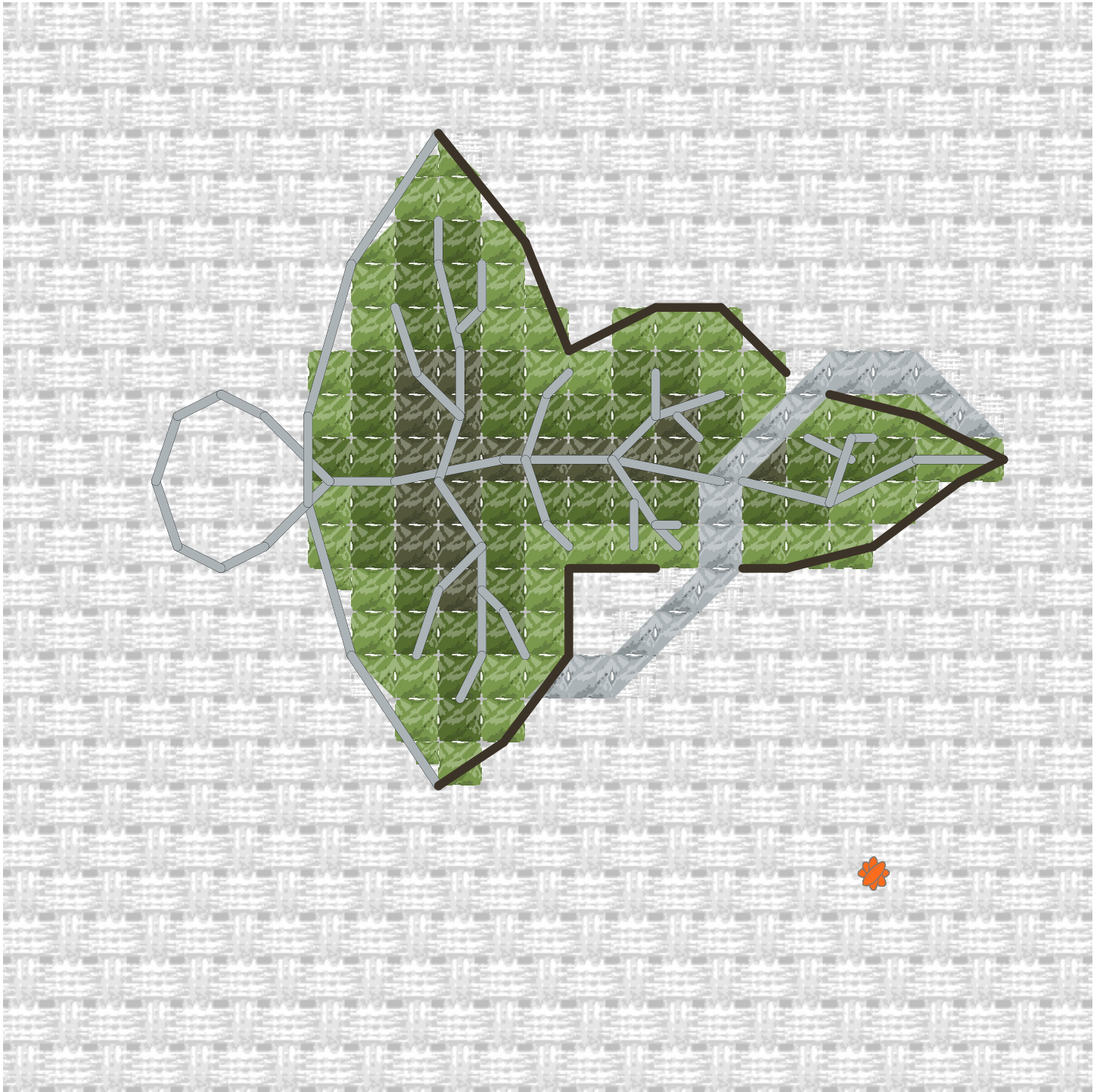


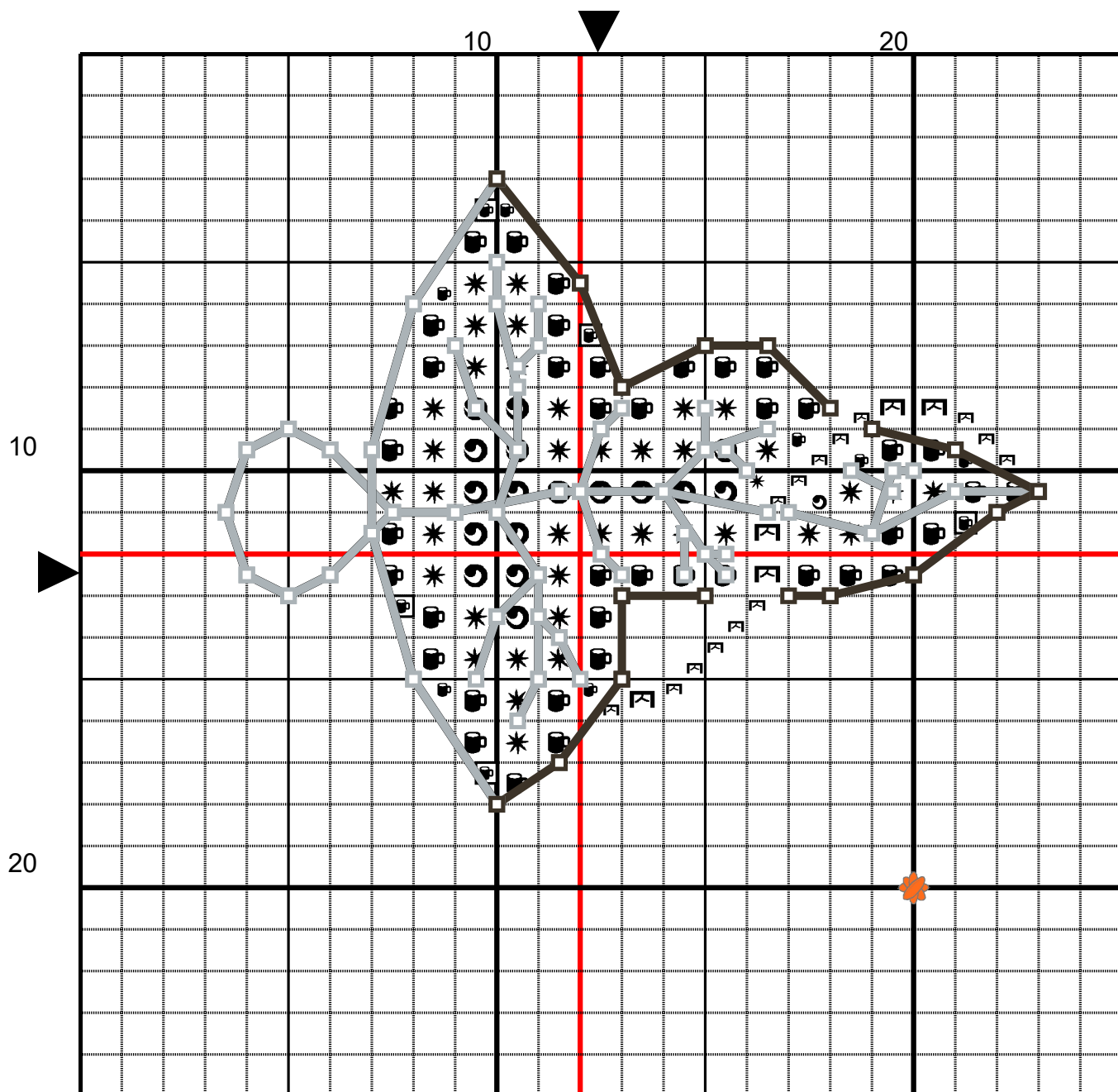




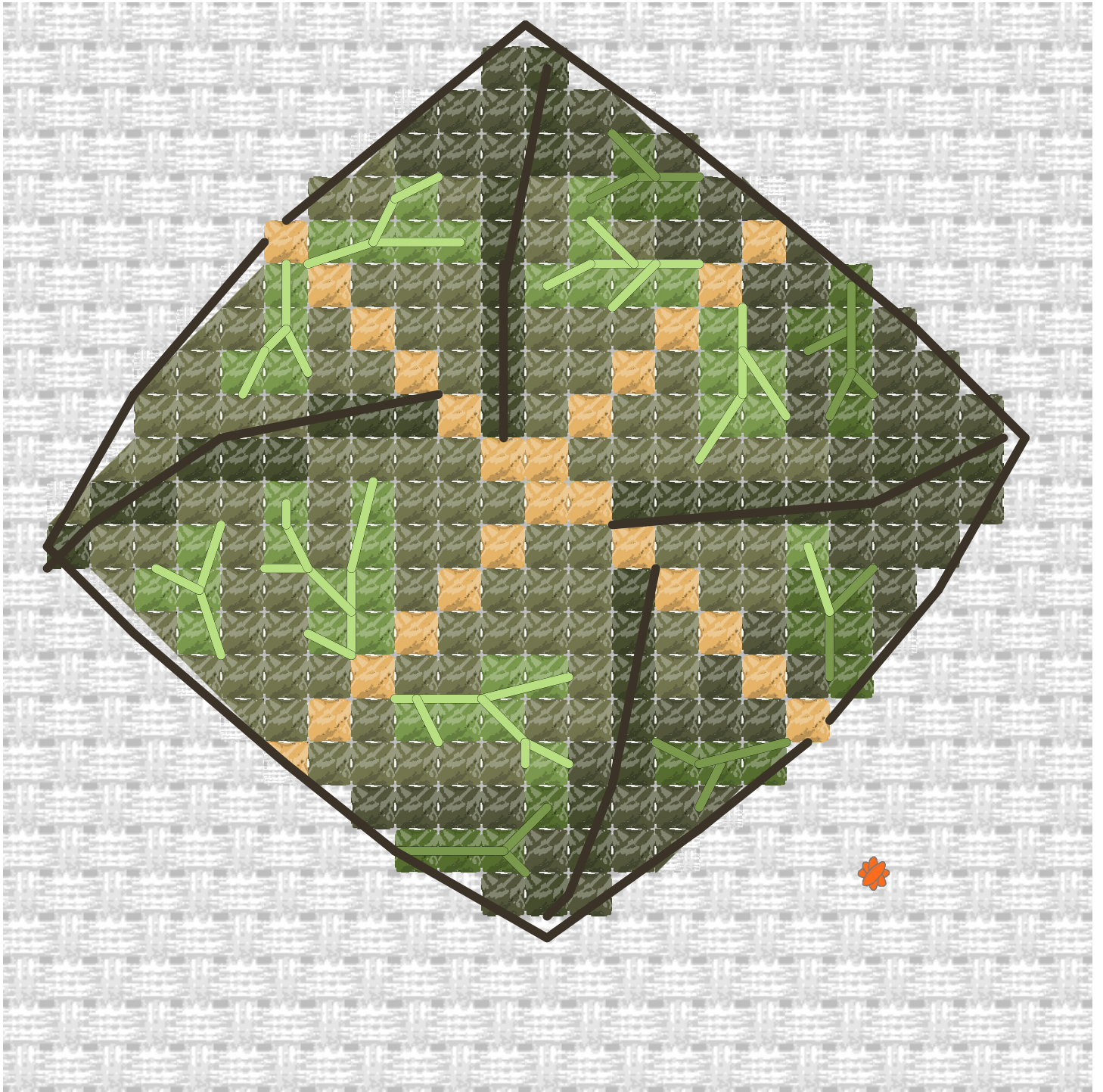


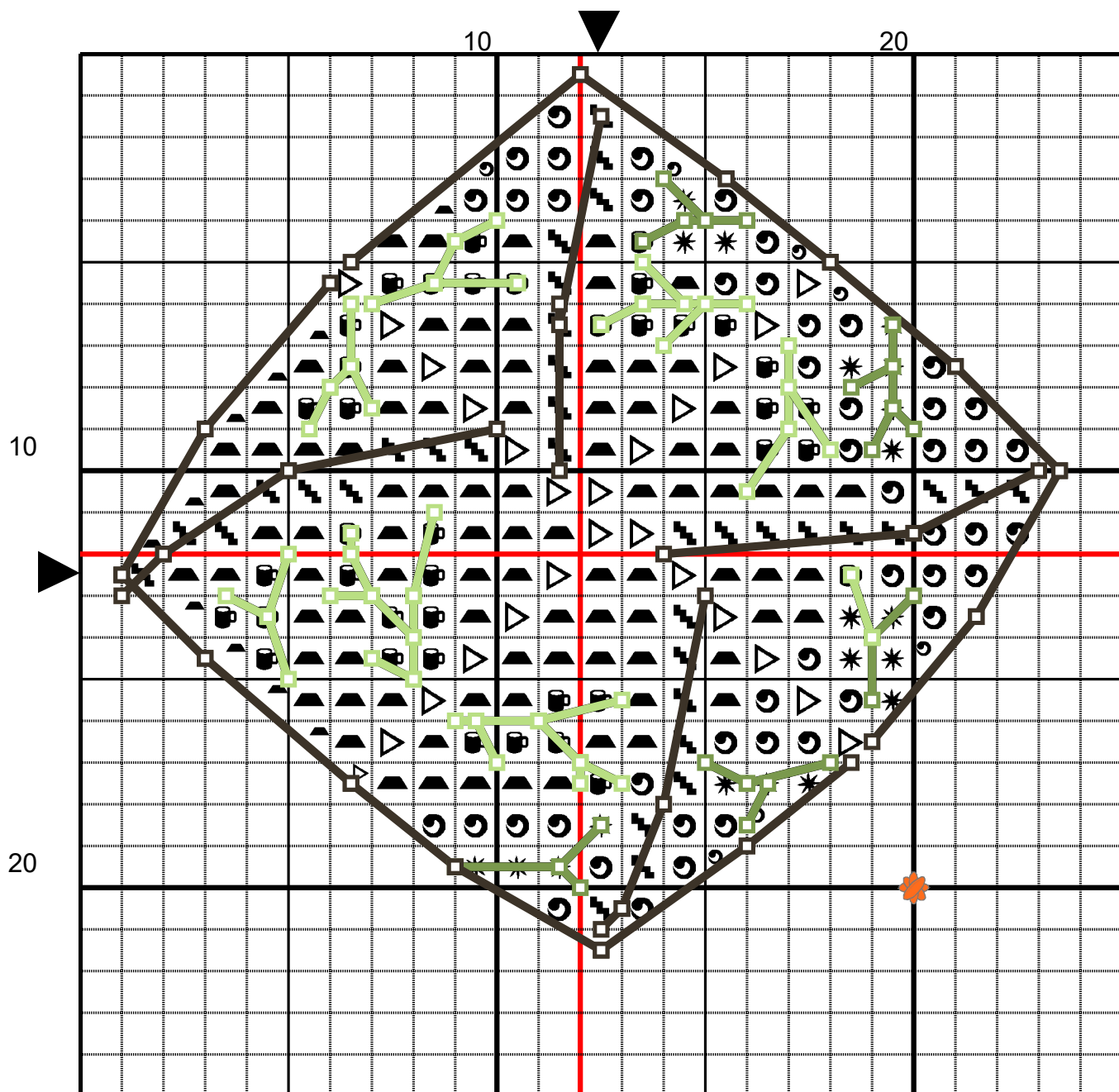
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▲	DMC 839	Beige Brown dark	2	0	33	
↶	DMC 840	Beige Brown medium	2	0	52	
↷	DMC 3051	Green Grey dark	2	0	37	
↷	DMC 3052	Green Grey Med	2	0	40	
▲	DMC 3053	Green Grey LT	2	0	113	
*	DMC 3346	Hunter Green Med	2	0	529	
♣	DMC 3347	Yellow Green Med	2	0	1149	
↑	DMC 3348	Yellow Green LT	2	0	139	
↶	DMC 3772	Desert Sand very dark	2	0	9	
	DMC 3787	(1) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	(3) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
★	DMC 3853	Autumn Gold dark	2	0	27	
+	DMC 3854	Autumn Gold medium	2	0	16	
No.	B/S - Color					Stitches
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DMC 3787 (3 str)	(3) Brown Grey dark					6
						

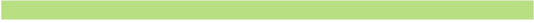


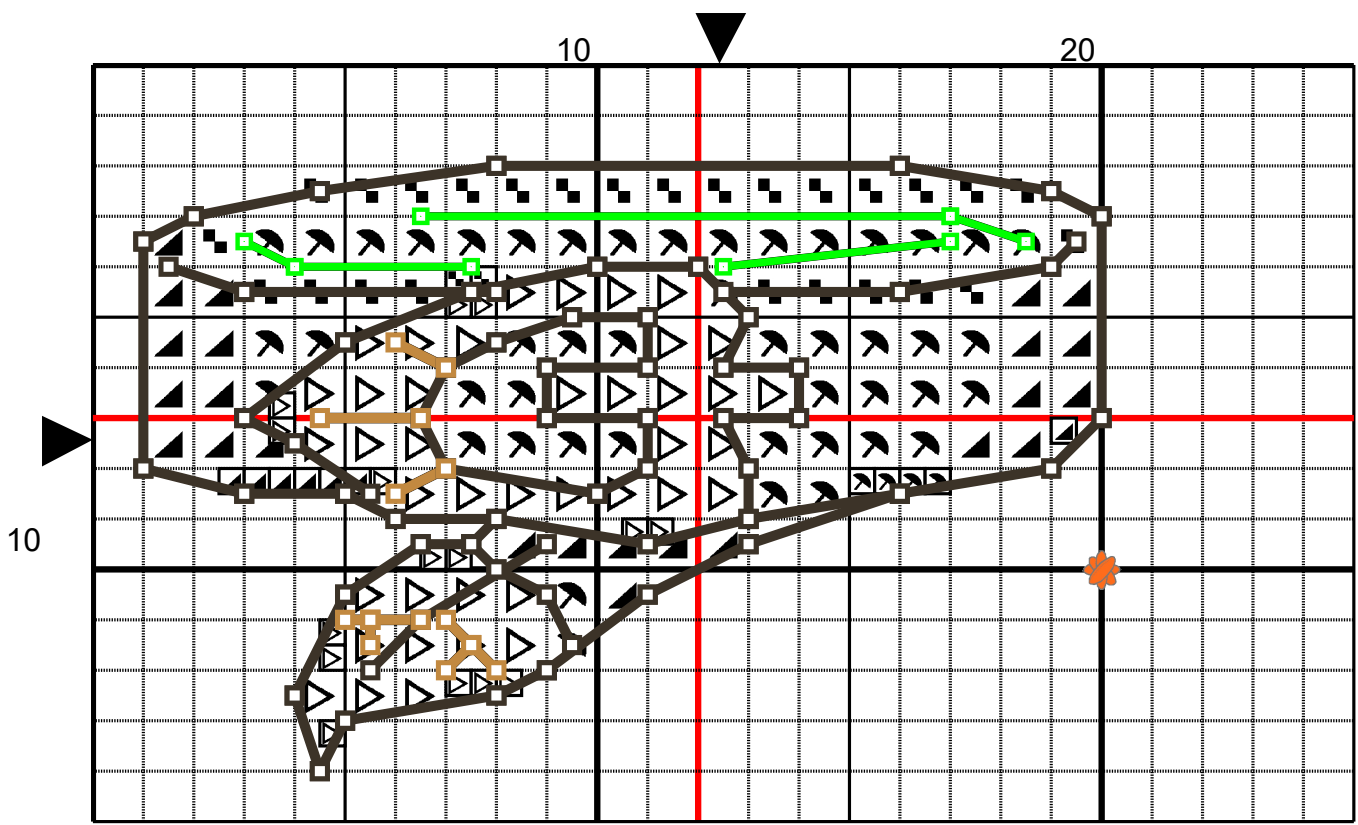


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☐	DMC 3347	Yellow Green Med	2	0	53	
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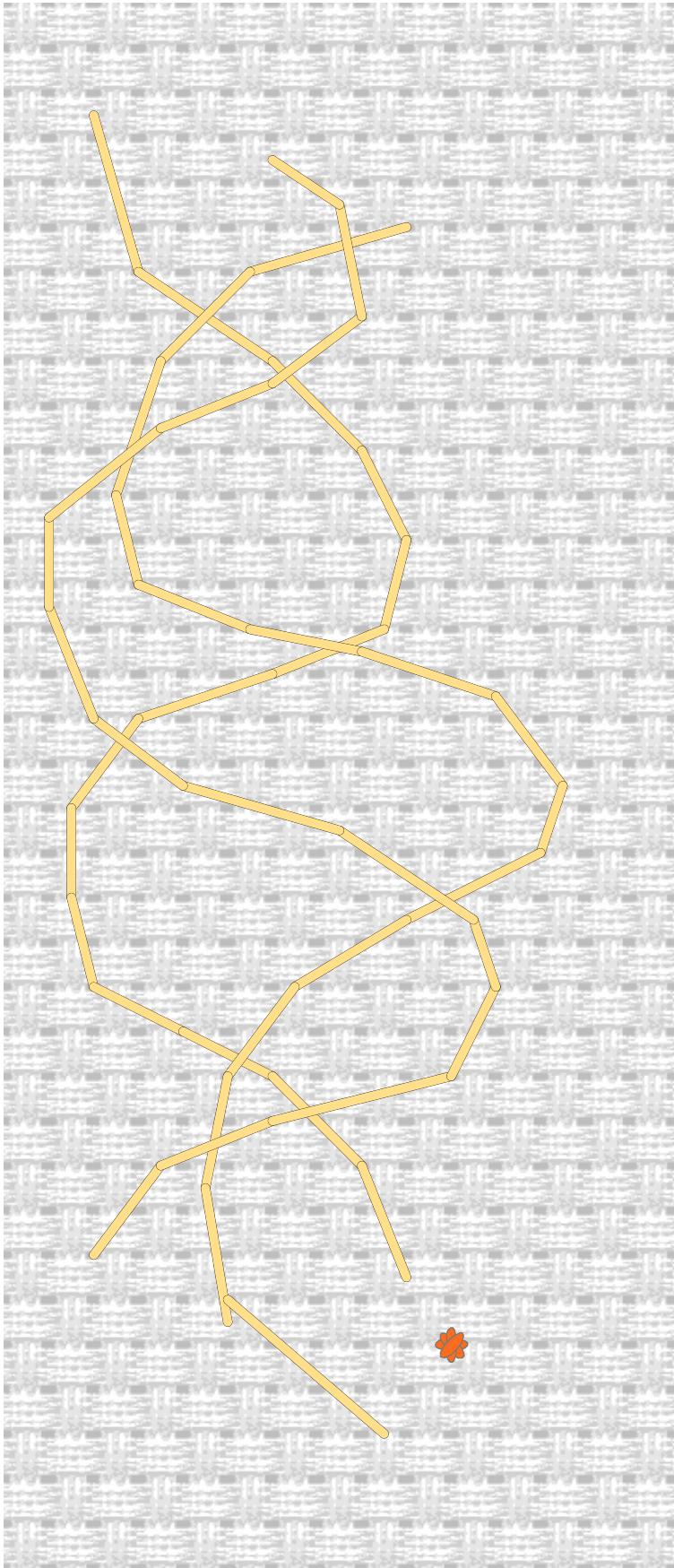


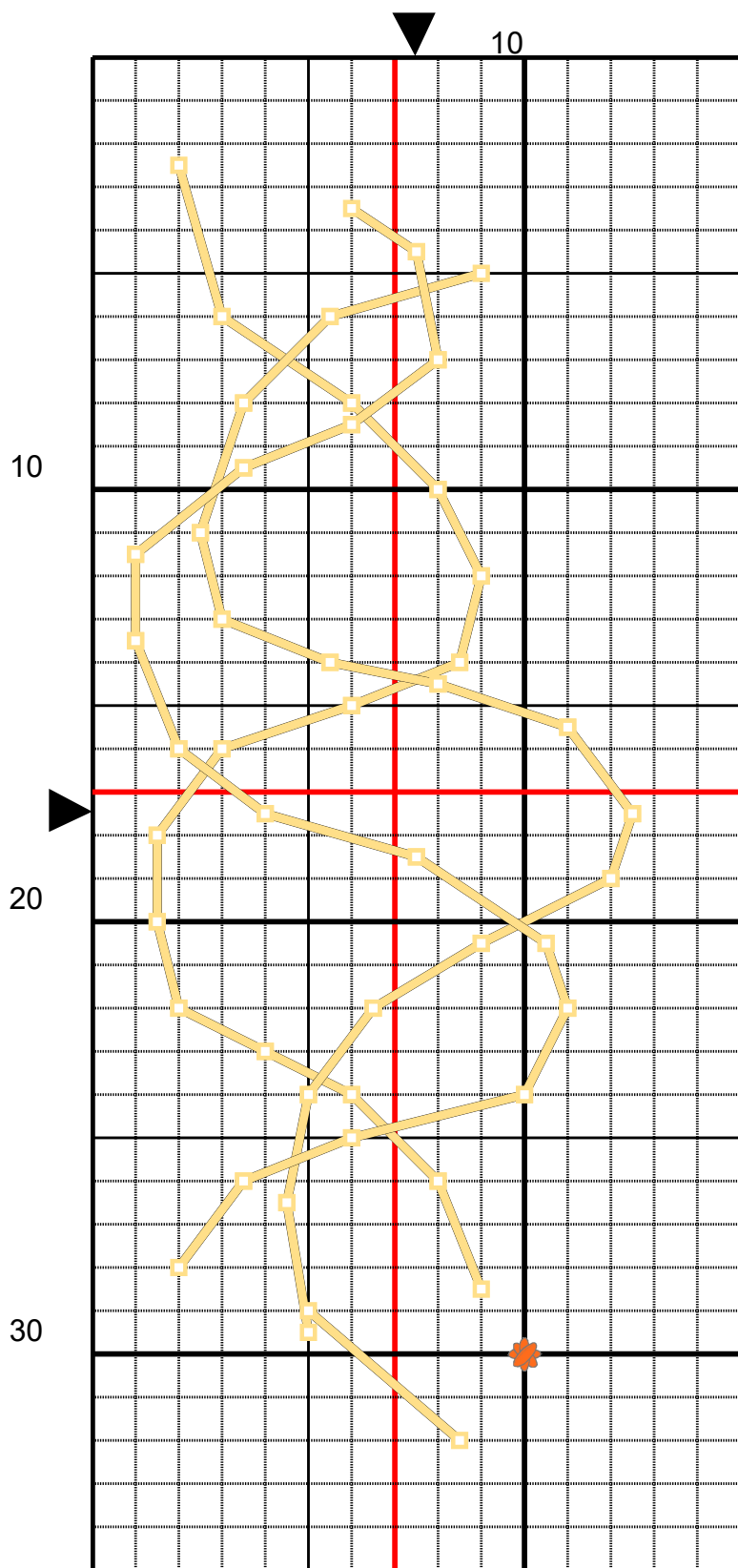


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	DMC 3348	Yellow Green LT	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	2	0	b/s only	
No.		B/S - Color				Stitches
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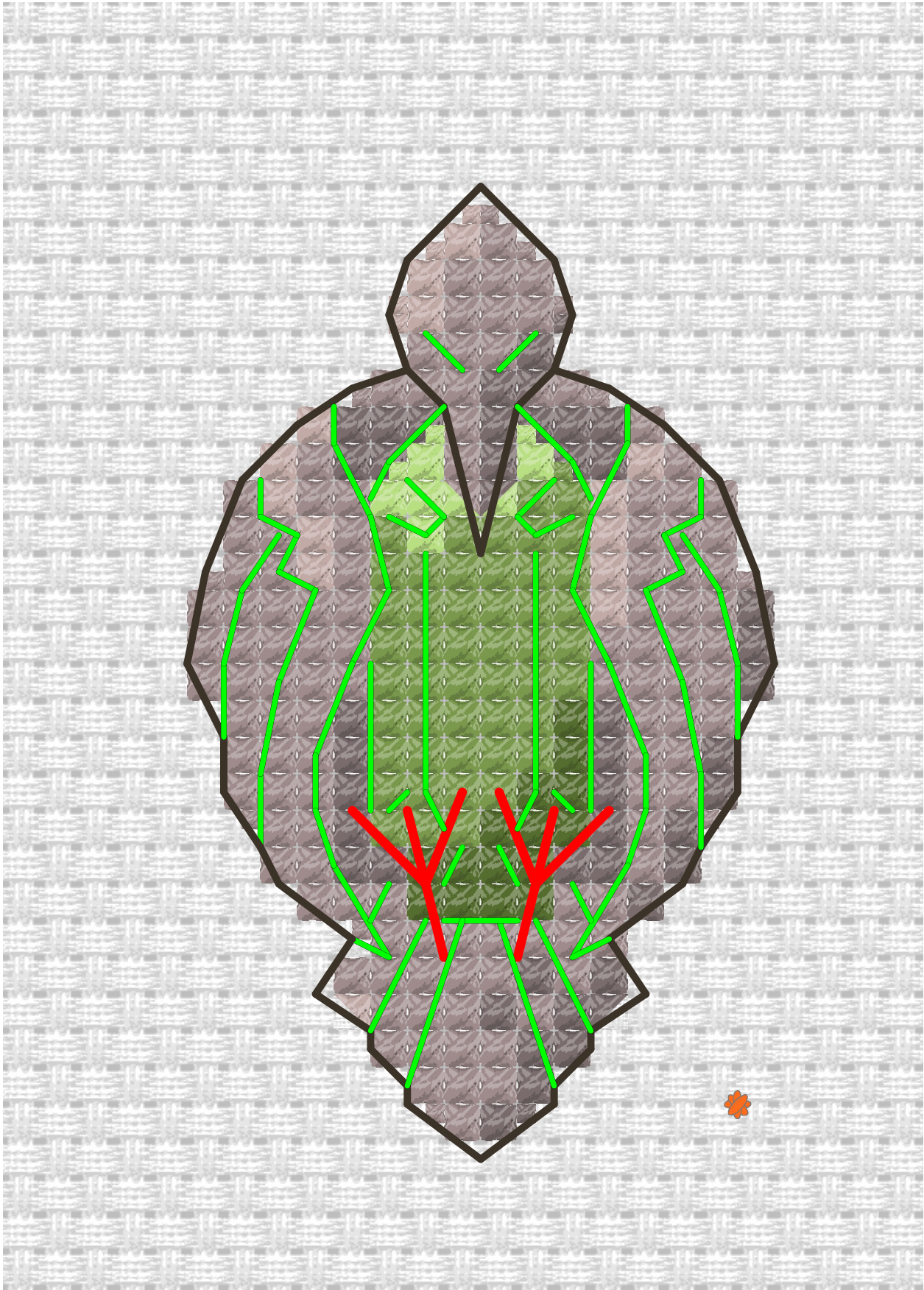


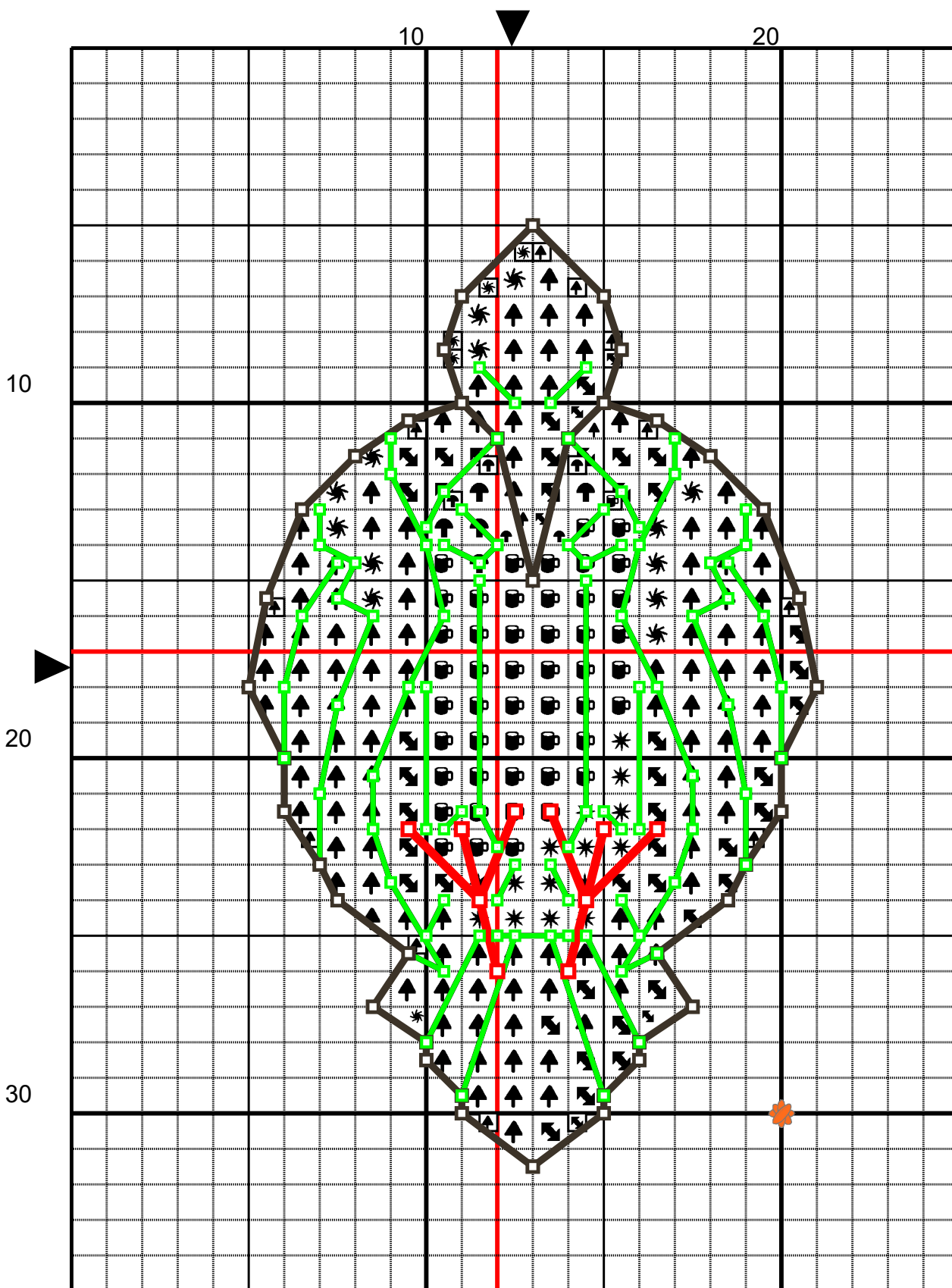
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■	DMC 841	Beige Brown light	2	0	28	
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	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	2	0	b/s only	
No.	B/S - Color					Stitches
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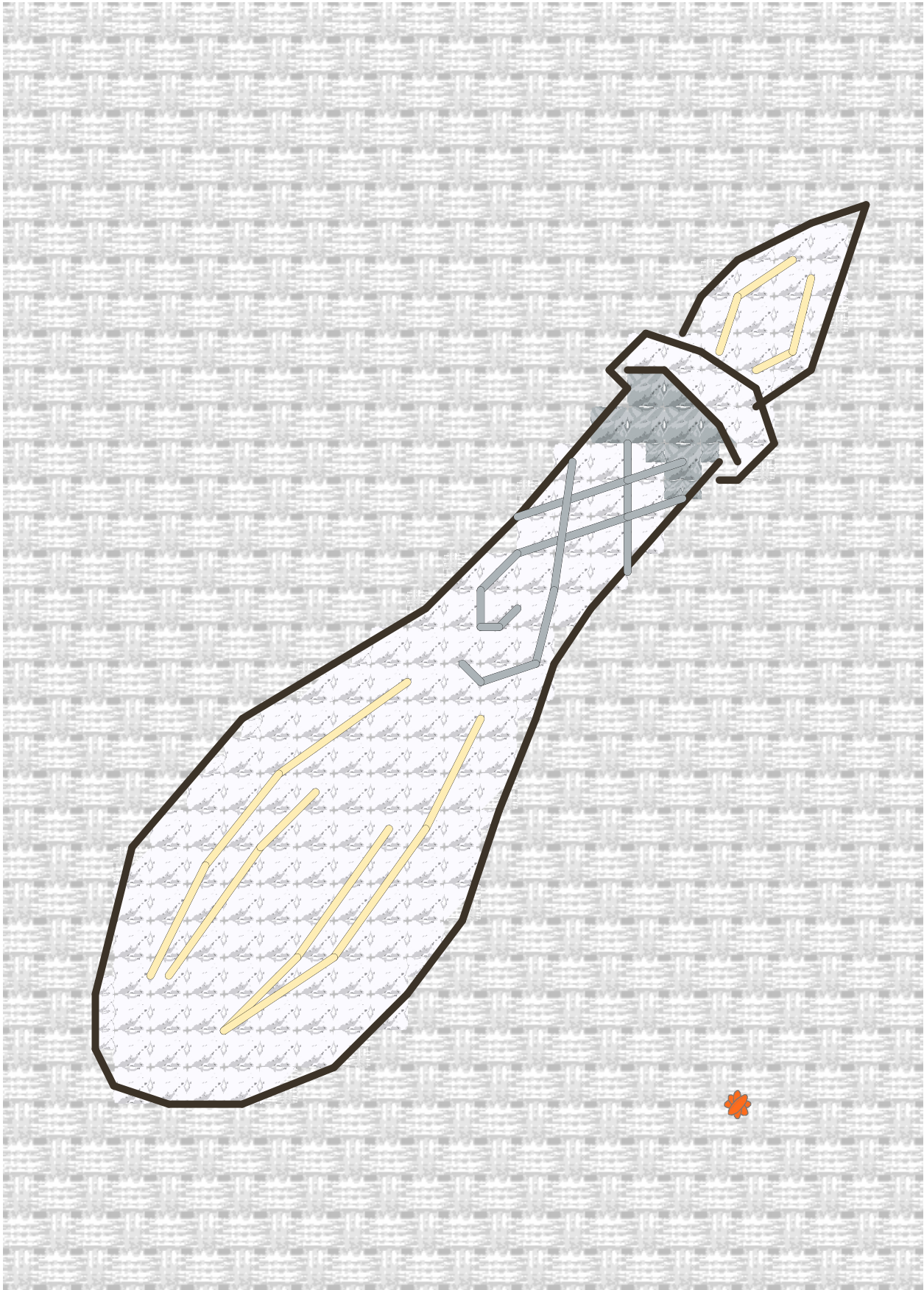


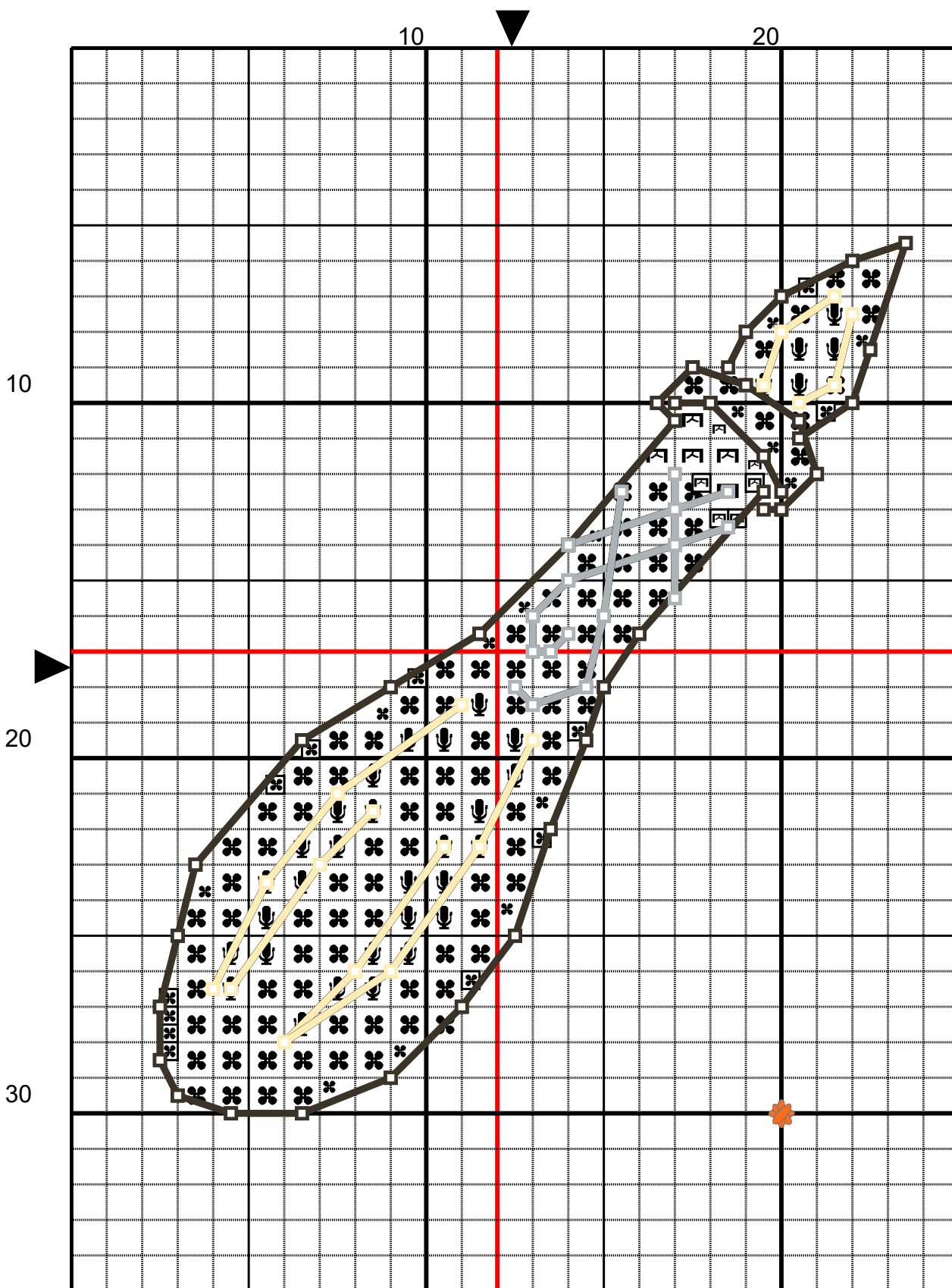
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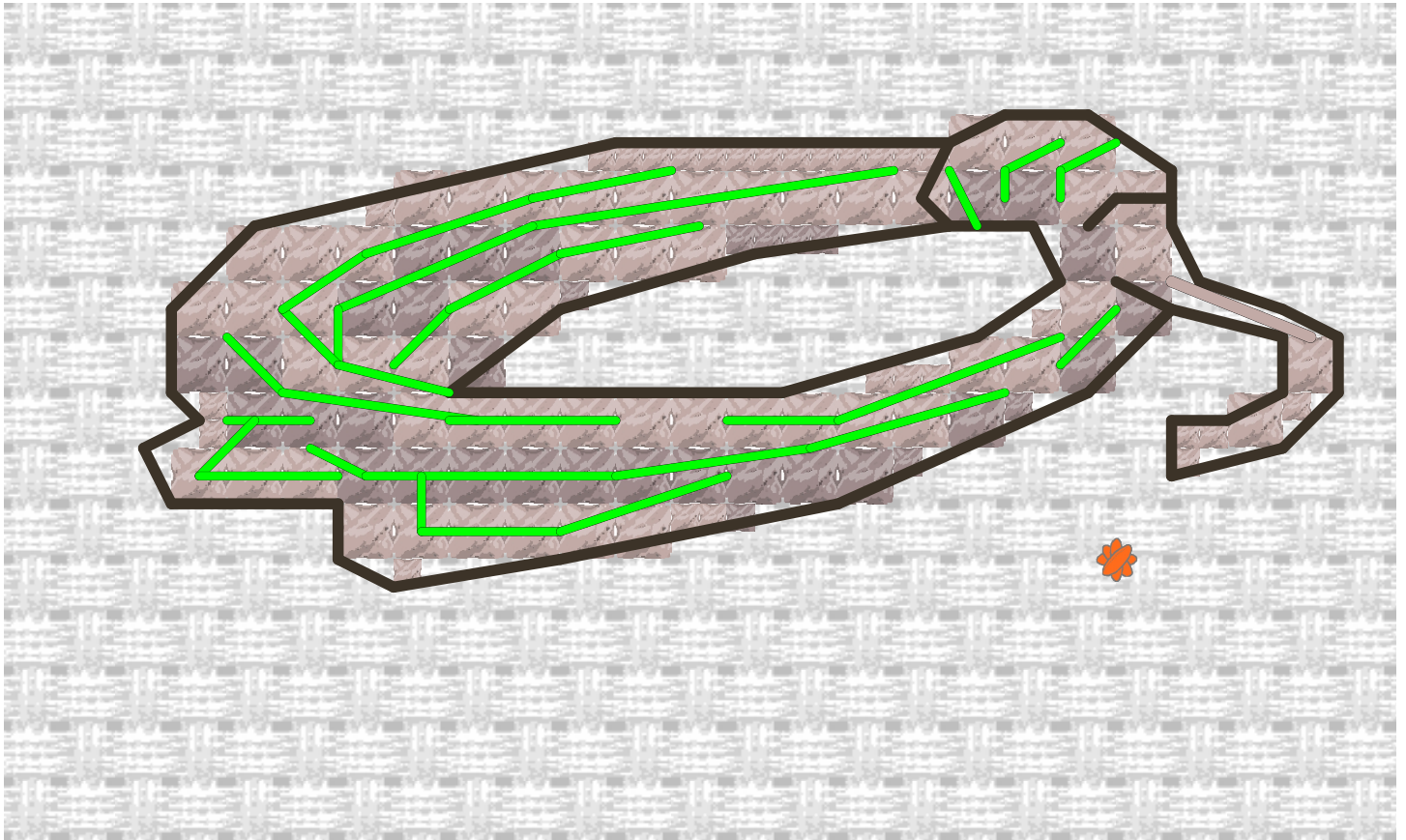


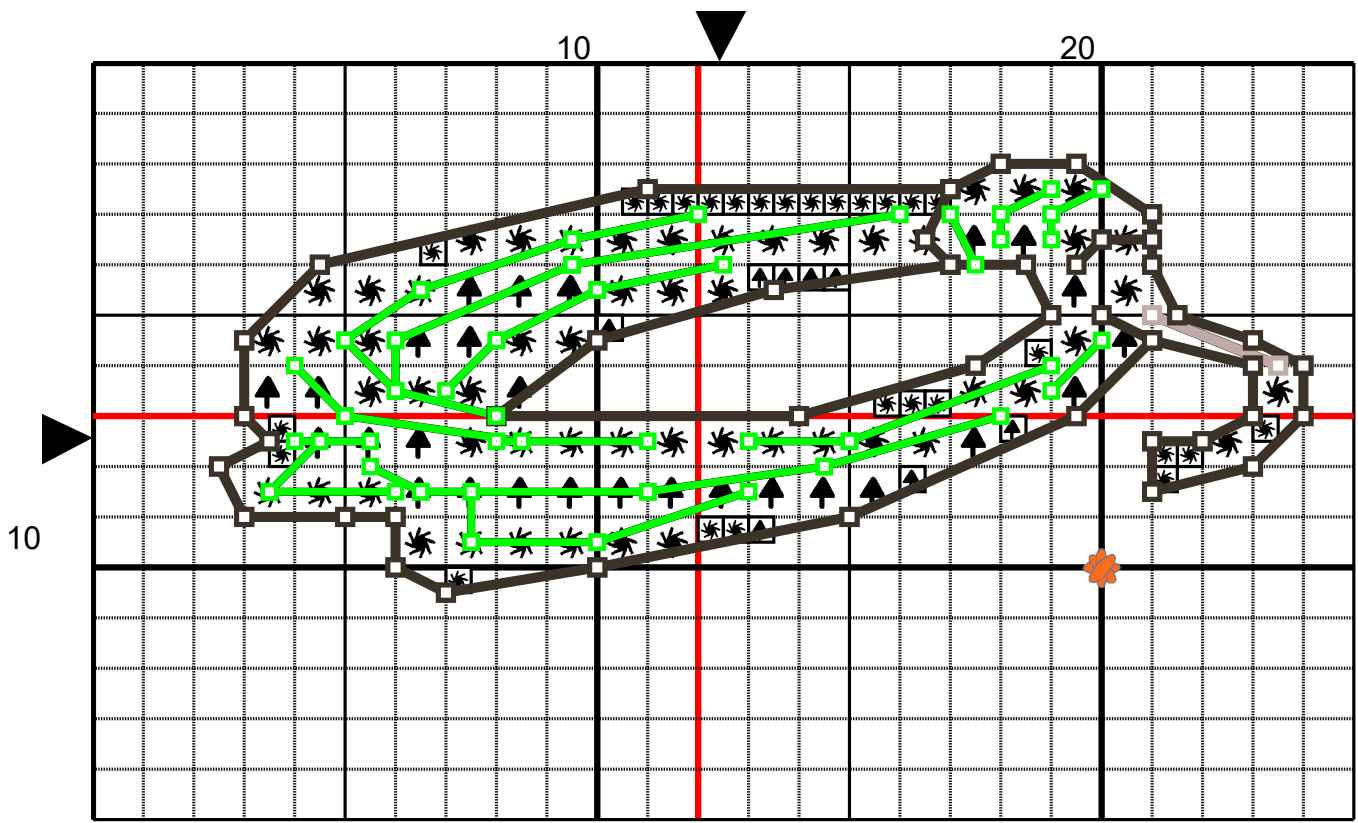
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No.	B/S - Color					Stitches
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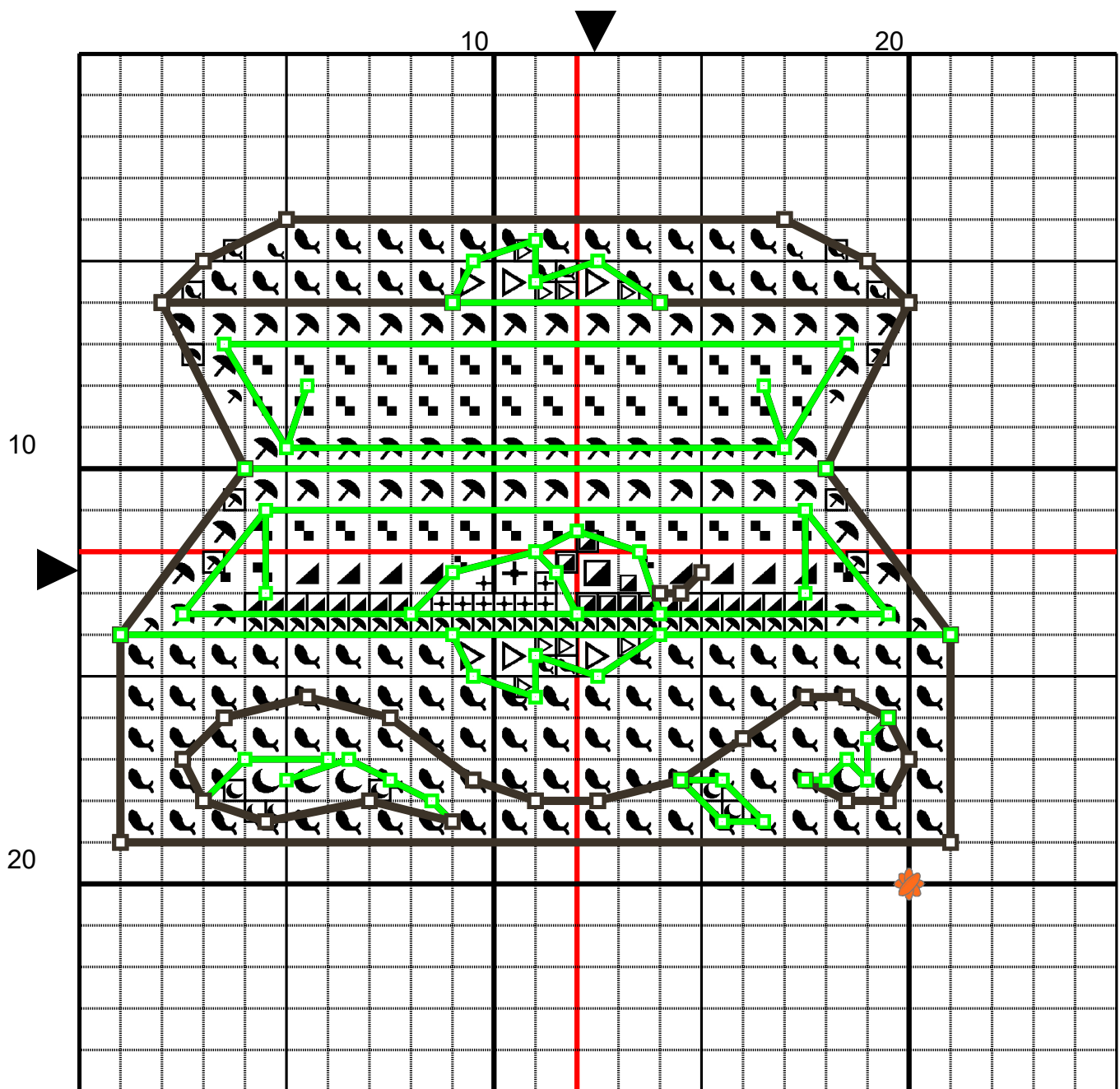
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	DMC 3823	Yellow ultra pale	2	0	b/s only	
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No.		B/S - Color				Stitches
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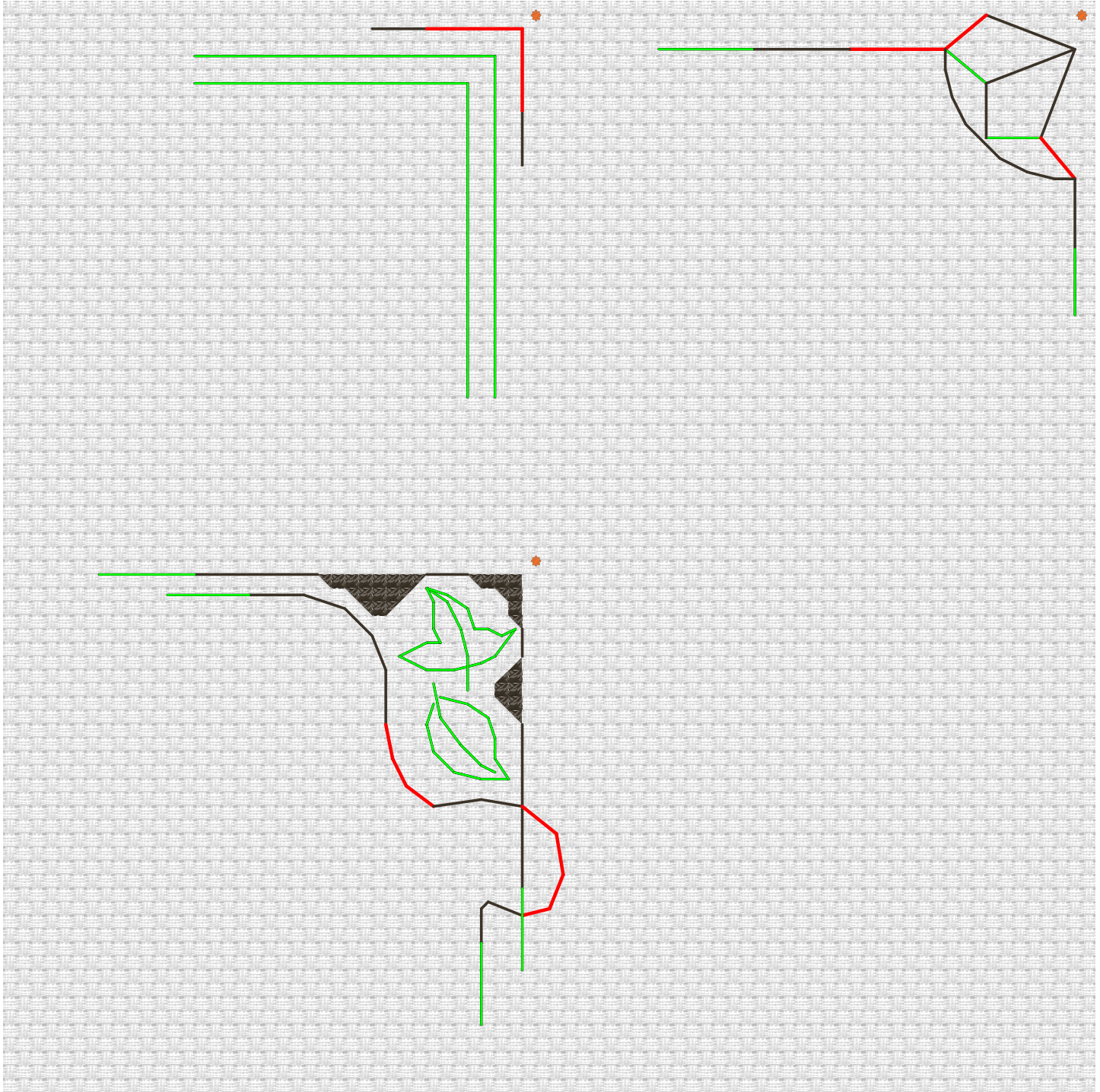


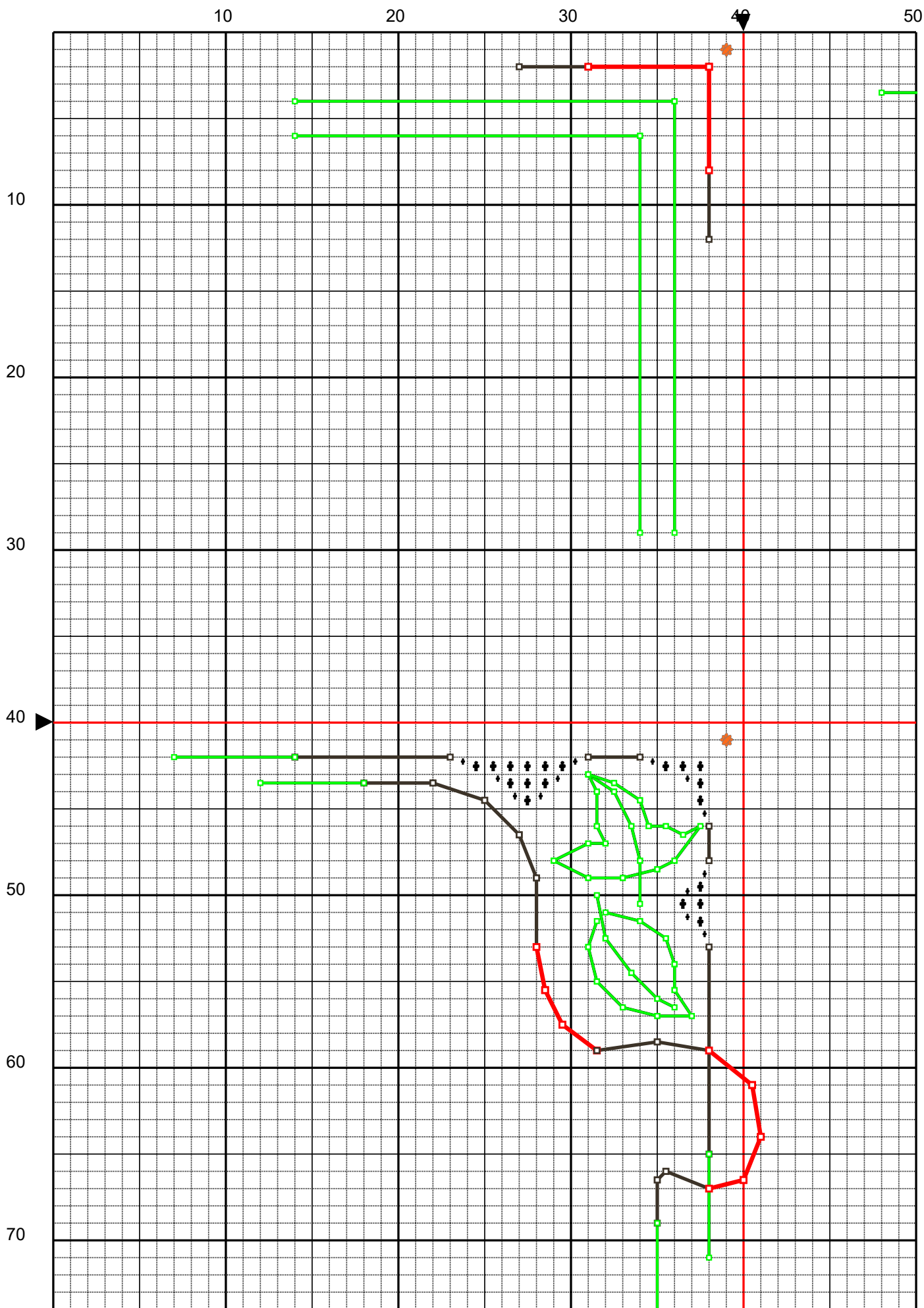
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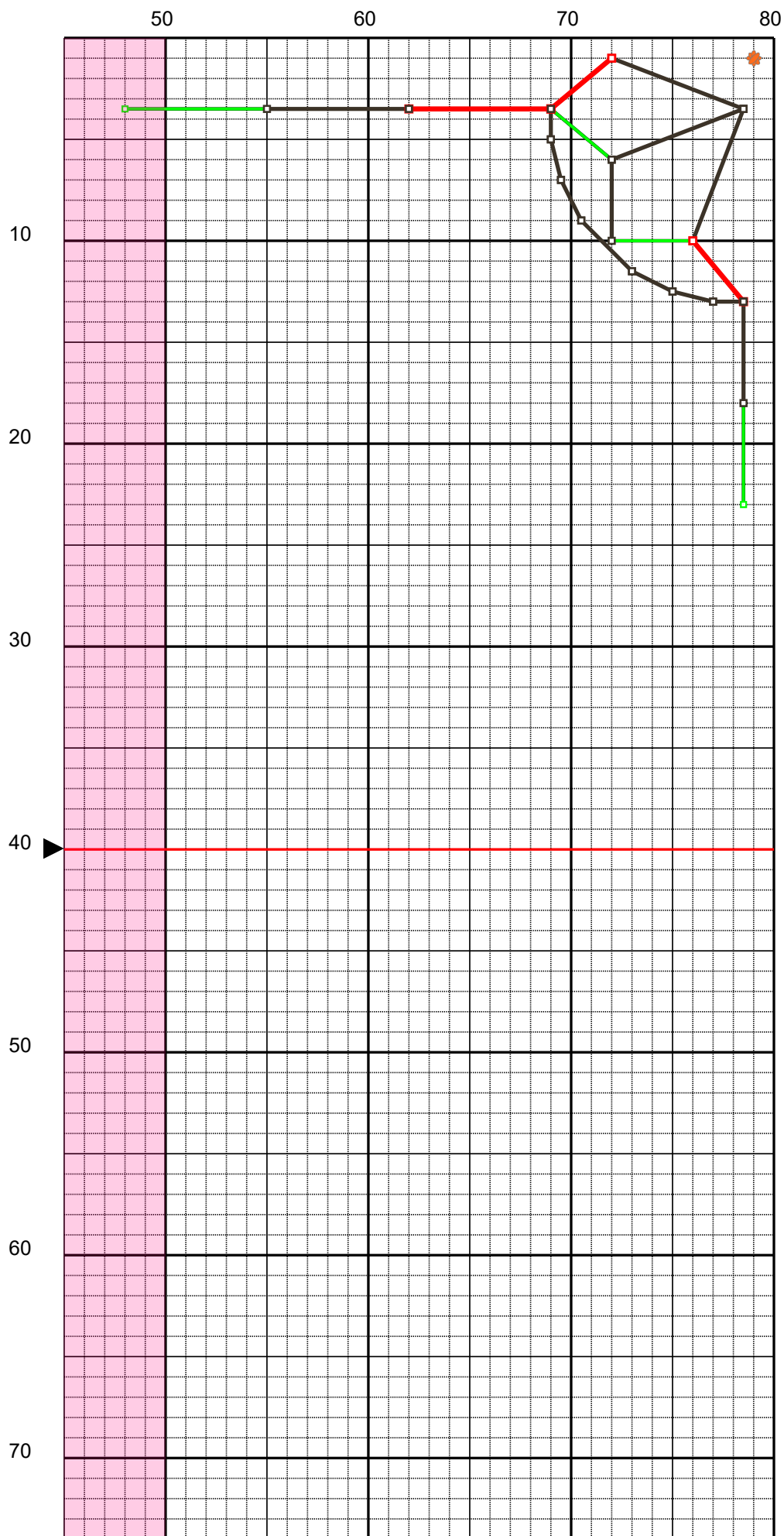


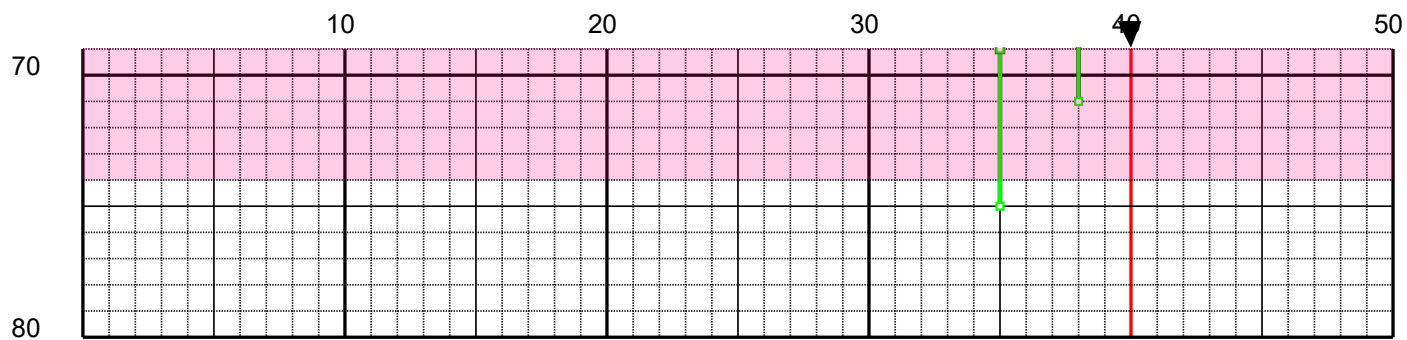


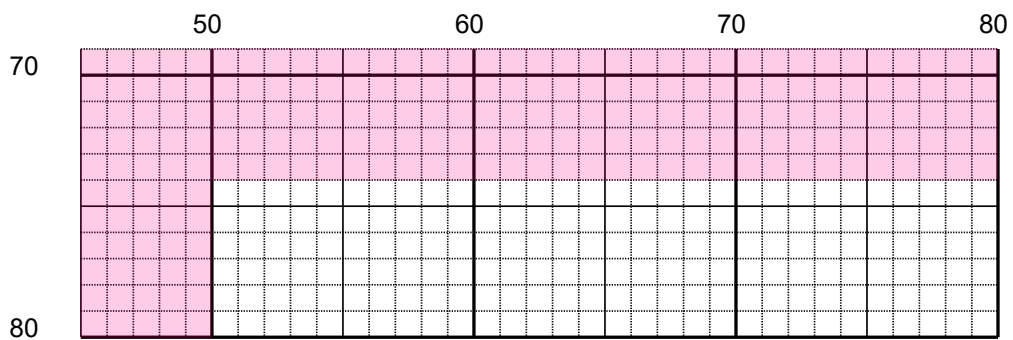
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	DMC 839	Beige Brown dark	2	0	24	
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	DMC 841	Beige Brown light	2	0	47	
	DMC 3787	(1) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	2	0	b/s only	
	DMC 3830	Terra Cotta	2	0	8	
	DMC 3854	Autumn Gold medium	2	0	9	
No.	B/S - Color				Stitches	
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DMC 3787 (2 str)	Brown Grey				35	
						











	Number	Name:	Strands	Knots	Stitches	
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†	DMC 3787	Brown Grey	2	0	32	
	DMC 3787	(3) Brown Grey dark	2	0	b/s only	
No.		B/S - Color				Stitches
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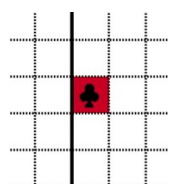
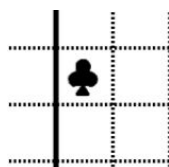


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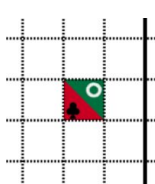
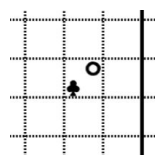
Symbols Explanation

Here is a breakdown of the symbols used. Each section includes a black & white symbol, and a colour symbol, as well as stitched examples. The upper stitched example is normal sized, and the lower is at twice the size.

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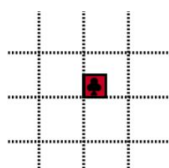
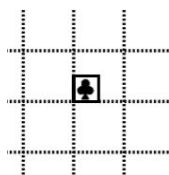


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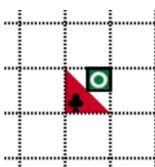
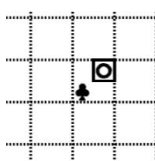


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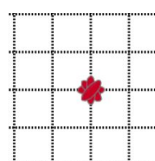
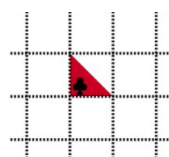
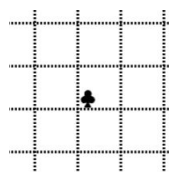
Note that the symbol is surrounded by a square



$\frac{3}{4}$ Stitch and Quarter Stitch



$\frac{3}{4}$ Stitch



French (or Colonial) Knot

Symbol is in colour regardless

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CrossStitch*