Let's stay home birdhouse

- cross stitch pattern -

Pattern information

Stitch count: 63 wide x 53 high

Design size (w x h): 11.4 x 9.6 cm on 14 count Aida / 28 count evenweave/linen
10.0 x 8.4 cm on 16 count Aida / 32 count evenweave/linen
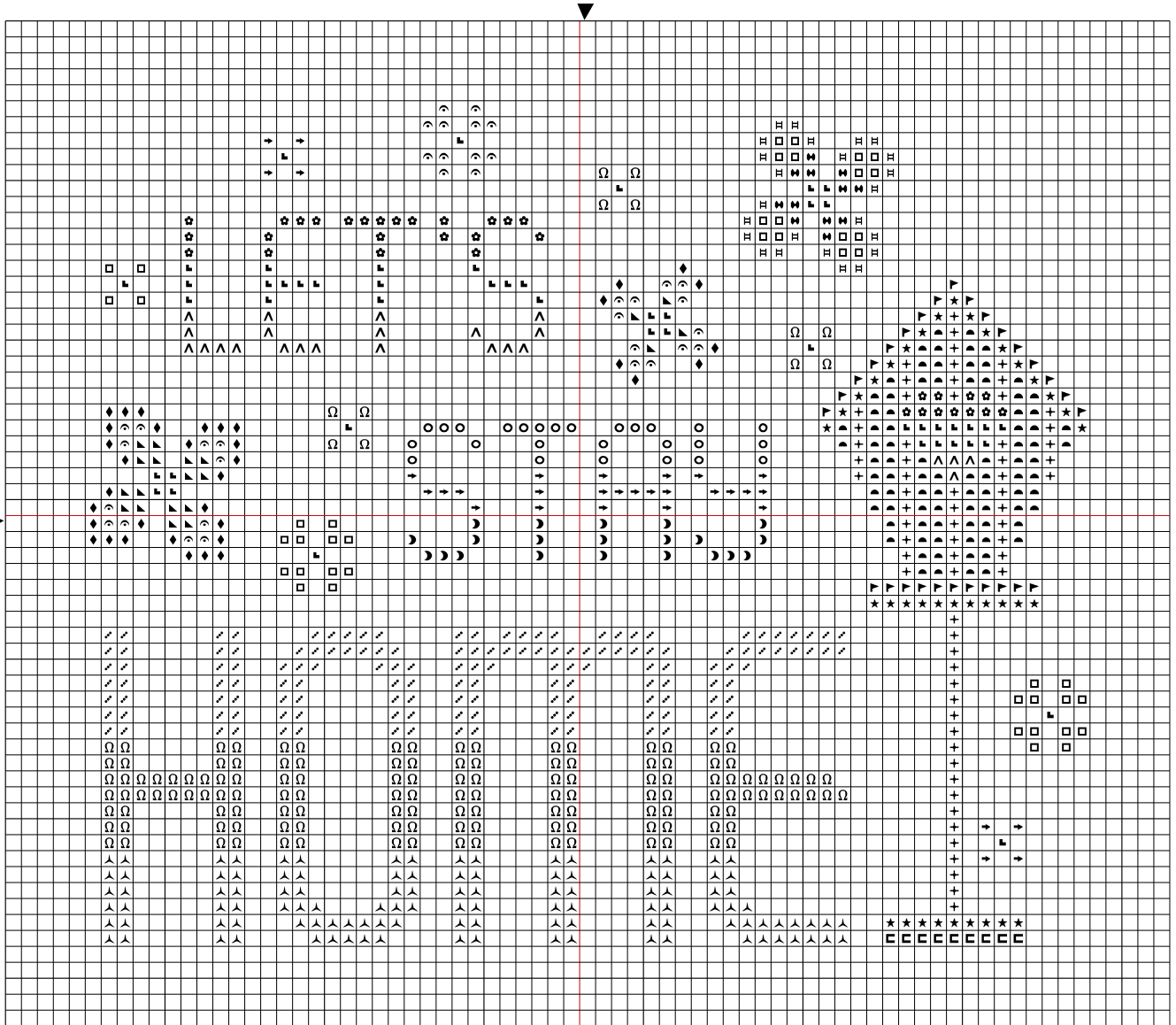8.8 x 7.4 cm on 18 count Aida

Thread used: DMC, 20 colours

Cover sample is stitched in 2 strands of thread on 16 count white Aida and framed in a 13cm (5inch) embroidery hoop

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⌒	DMC 962	Dusty Rose medium	2	0.1 skeins	36
♦	DMC 3716	Dusty Rose very light	2	0.1 skeins	36
☽	DMC 3853	Autumn Gold dark	2	0.1 skeins	21
➜	DMC 3854	Autumn Gold medium	2	0.1 skeins	32
O	DMC 19	Terracotta Pale	2	0.1 skeins	26
⋀	DMC 743	Yellow medium	2	0.1 skeins	24
◣	DMC 744	Yellow pale	2	0.1 skeins	50
✿	DMC 745	Yellow light pale	2	0.1 skeins	34
⊏	DMC 562	Jade medium	2	0.1 skeins	9
★	DMC 563	Jade light	2	0.1 skeins	37
▶	DMC 564	Jade very light	2	0.1 skeins	28
⋀	DMC 518	Wedgewood light	2	0.1 skeins	114
Ω	DMC 519	Sky Blue	2	0.1 skeins	147
⸫	DMC 3761	Sky Blue light	2	0.1 skeins	144
⋈	DMC 553	Violet	2	0.1 skeins	12
☐	DMC 554	Violet light	2	0.1 skeins	44
Ħ	DMC 153	Violet very light	2	0.1 skeins	24
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Ways to use your stitching

- create a cheerful piece of home decor for yourself or as a gift by popping it into a 13cm (5 inch) wooden embroidery hoop; this will be a tight squeeze if stitched on 14 count Aida but it fits perfectly when stitched on 16 or 18 count Aida

- turn it into a small hanging. Fold the fabric around a piece of mount board or cardboard, then glue or tape down the edges. Back with a piece of felt and add a loop of ribbon at the top.

- use just the birdhouse element to create a tiny 'new home' card or a tag for a present. Trim around the design 3 squares away from the stitching at each edge then fray the edges and patch onto a small card blank or gift tag.

Customising the pattern

- if you don't have all the recommended thread colours you can easily adapt the pattern to what you have in your stash. The flowers, birdhouse and letters don't need to be stitched in several shades; just stitch each one in a single colour; use either one from the recommended colours or any colour you like from your stash

- add beads in the flower centres instead of the yellow cross stitches for a touch of dimension

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Finally...

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