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Cross Stitch Designs



NEEDLEART BY BRENDA GERVAIS



*B*IRDS OF A FEATHER
Part III...the finish!

BIRDS OF A FEATHER

Stitch count – 173 wide X 190 high

ITEMS NEEDED:

1. Linen of choice to accommodate above stitch count (35 count Confederate Gray by Weeks Dye Works was our linen of choice). See sizing chart below.
2. Weeks Dye Works embroidery floss numbers (1 skein each, unless noted otherwise) – 1101 Light Khaki, 1121 Straw, 1171 Dove, 1173 Confederate Gray, 1193 Guacamole, 1238 Cappuccino, 1246 Sage (2 skeins), 1266 Caper, 1271 Bark, 1331 Brick, 2152 Kentucky Bluegrass, 2200 Kudzu (3 skeins), 2211 Olive, 2254 Cinnabar, 4121 Indian Summer
NOTE – if using 30 count linen increase 2200 Kudzu to 4 skeins.
3. Needle

Sizing:

15/30 count – 11 1/2" wide X 12 5/8" high

18/35 count – 9 1/2" wide X 10 1/2" high

20/40 count – 8 5/8" wide x 9 1/2" high

NOTE – these measurements DO NOT include excess fabric for framing & finishing purposes.



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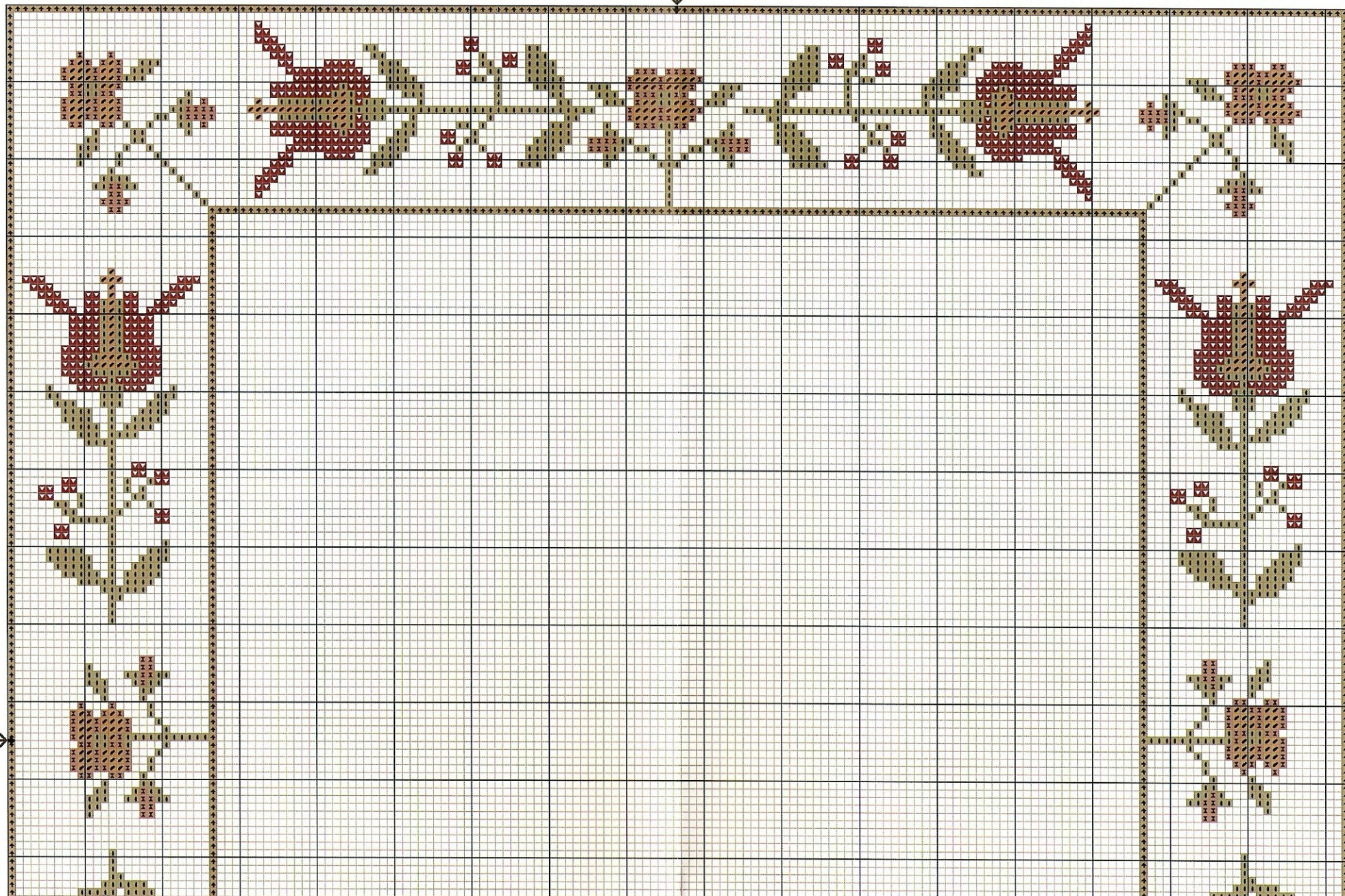
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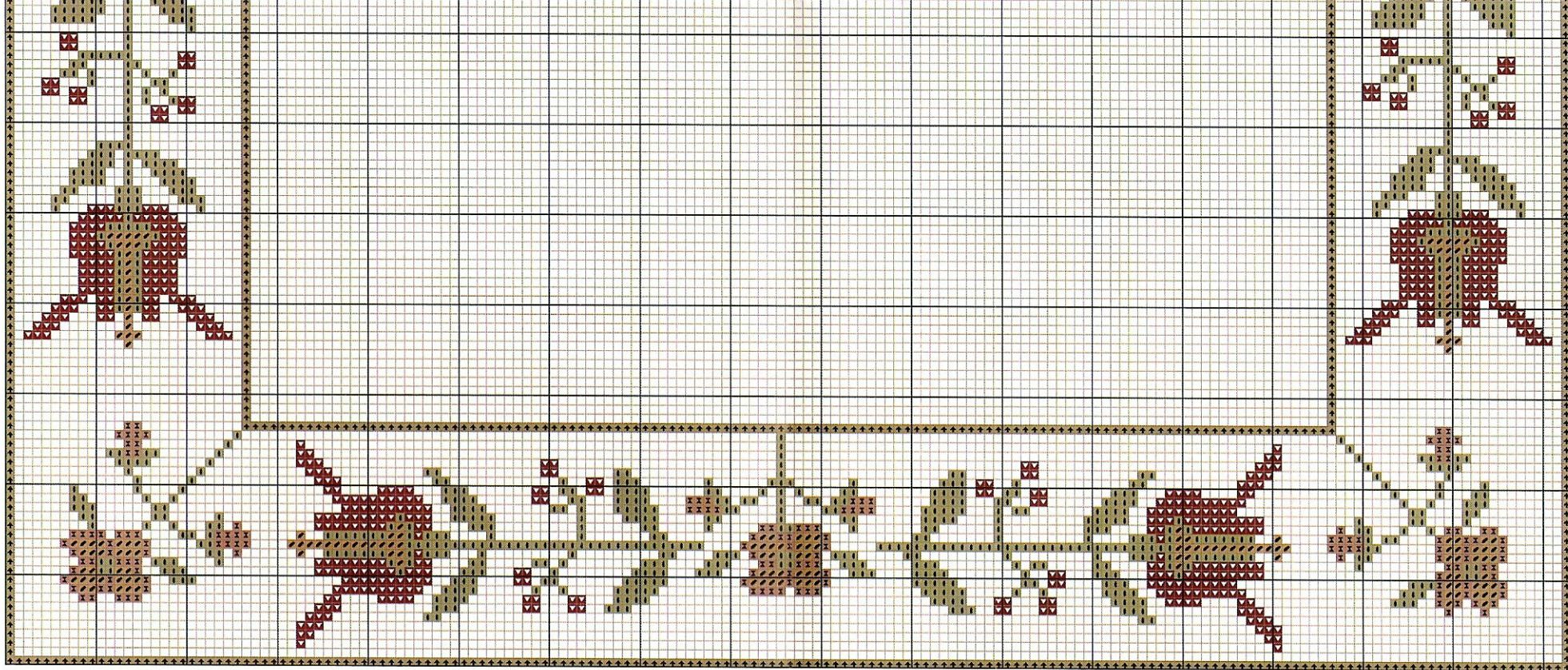
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Part I



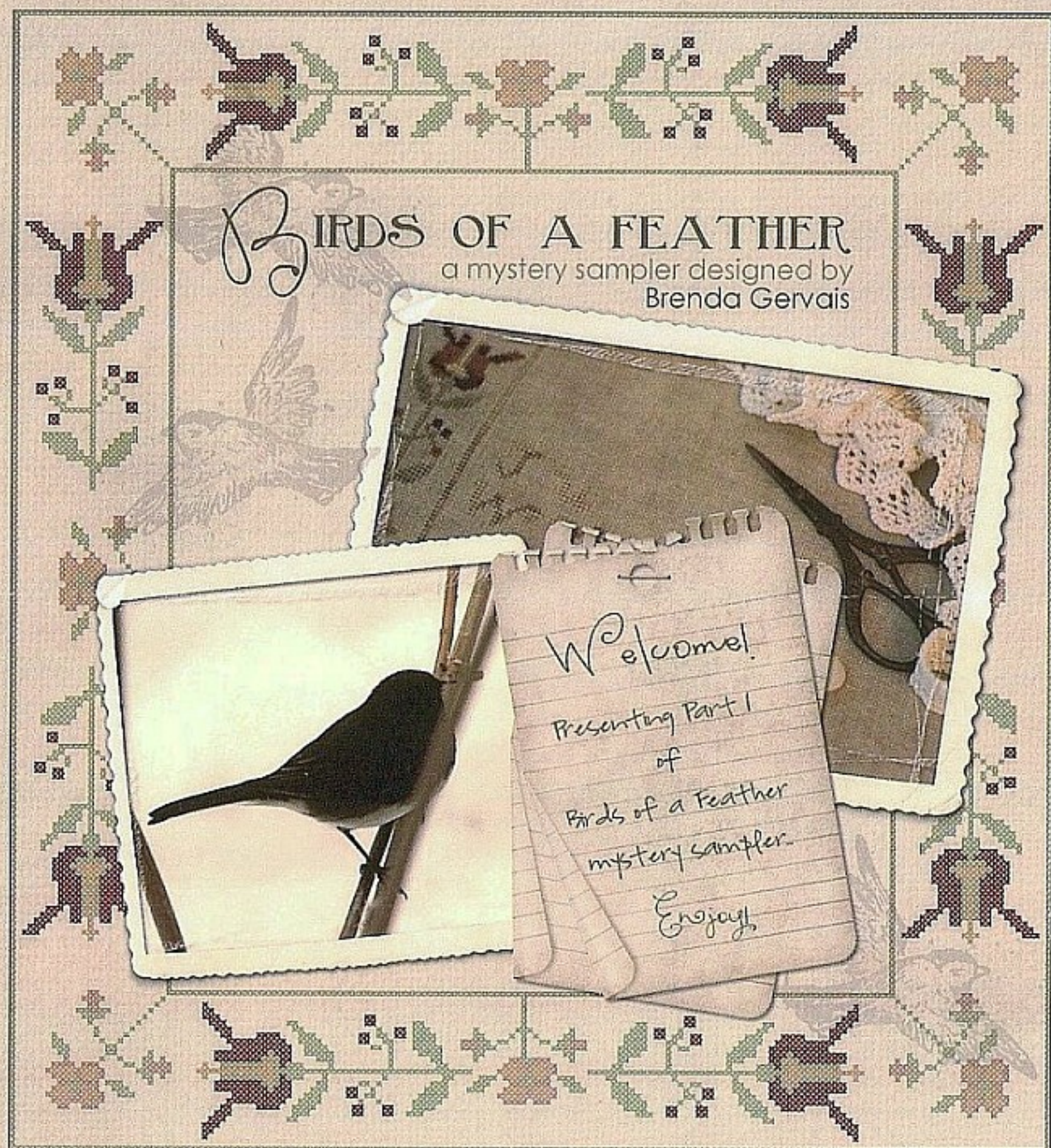


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Clue #1 – The original sampler is worked on 35 count Confederate Gray linen over 2 threads using 2 strands of floss for most areas of the design. A very small portion of the sampler is worked over 1 thread, using 1 strand of floss. At the time of signing up for this club, you may have had other linen choices to choose from. If you've chosen different count linen, please adjust your linen size and strand count accordingly. The pattern will instruct for 35 count worked over 2 threads.

Fabric:	35 count, Weeks Dye Works linen - Confederate Gray (worked over 2 threads)
	173w X 190h Stitches
Size:	18/35 Count, 9-1/2w X 10-1/2h



Floss Used for Full Stitches:

Symbol	Strands	Type	Number	Color
	2	Weeks	1101	Light Khaki
	2	Weeks	1121	Straw
	2	Weeks	1171	Dove
	2	Weeks	1173	Confederate Gray
	2	Weeks	1193	Guacamole
	2	Weeks	1238	Cappuccino
	2	Weeks	1246	Sage
	2	Weeks	1266	Caper
	2	Weeks	1271	Bark
	2	Weeks	1331	Brick
	2	Weeks	2152	Kentucky Bluegrass
	2	Weeks	2200	Kudzu
	2	Weeks	2254	Cinnabar
	2	Weeks	4121	Indian Summer

Floss Used for Petite Stitches:

Symbol	Strands	Type	Number	Color
	1	Weeks	2211	Olive

Floss Used for Straight Stitches:

Symbol	Strands	Type	Number	Color
	1	Weeks	1101	Light Khaki
	1	Weeks	1266	Caper

- o Determine your linen size, depending on the size of stitch count you have chosen. As a rule of thumb, I always allow an excess of 3" of linen beyond the finished size of the design, on all sides, for framing purposes.
- o Fold your fabric in half in both directions and finger crease the folds. The center of the fabric is where these folds intersect. Begin stitching at this point of the cloth, matching it up to the center of the chart. If you prefer to start in a corner, rather than center, simply measure in the amount of excess linen allowed on top & side, from the outer edge of linen, and begin your stitching there...whatever way you are most comfortable with!
- o IMPORTANT: Count twice and stitch once! Stitch placement is important here as we progress from pattern to pattern. There isn't a lot of room for "fudging"...so remember, to stitch accurately!

Once the club comes to an end and your stitching is all completed...

- o It's time to prep your piece for framing...
Lie a terry towel down on your ironing board. Place right side of stitched piece facing down on the towel. Iron stitched piece, removing any wrinkles. If necessary, gently spray with water and then iron. Do not saturate piece, go sparingly with the water mist! DO NOT OVER-IRON!
- o Frame or finish to your liking.

Clue #2 – The frame I selected for the finished sampler is by Valley House Primitives, LLC – www.valleyhouseprimitives.com
Profile: MCL
Color – Moss/Redcoat
Design – Cheasapeake/Distressed

IMPORTANT: Part II and Part III patterns will be charts only. This is the only pattern that will supply instructions & a floss color key...hold onto this page as you'll need it for the remaining two charts to follow.



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Part II





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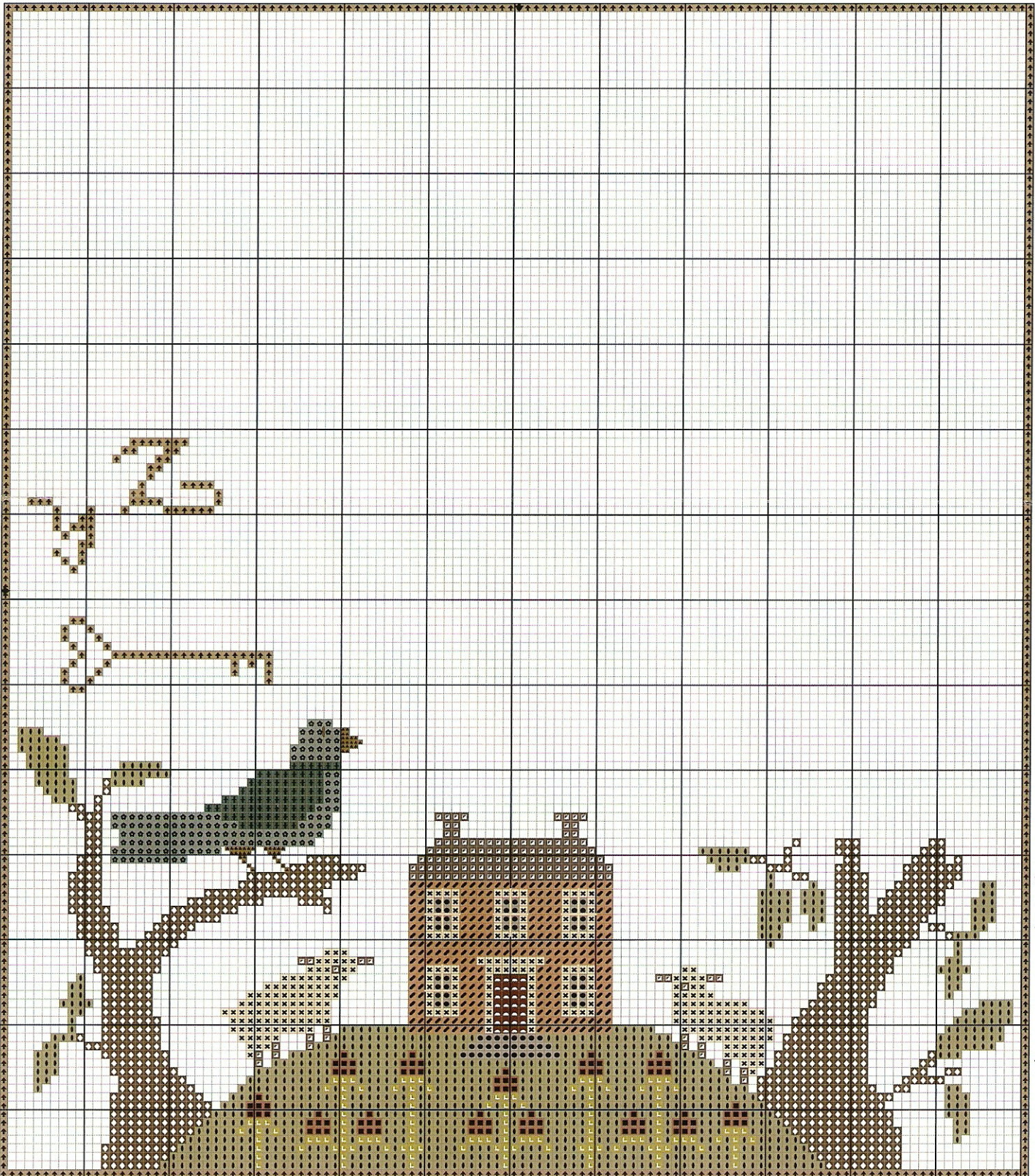


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Part III

We will be offering a limited supply of the picture frame shown on the pattern cover to fit 35 count finish. For ordering info call (712) 732-5419.



Many thanks to www.valleyhouseprimitives.com for providing us with the beautiful frame for finishing the piece...it's the perfect finish!