

Back your fabric with Vilene before cutting it to size and sliding it into your photomat, then use as a mouse mat!





Let's get inspired

# SEW TWEET!

We've put together some birds of a feather to beautify your stitching. Pick out your favourites or stitch a whole flock!



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## MATERIALS

### Coaster

- Zweigart 28 count white Brittney evenweave, ref: 3270/100; 12x12cm (5x5in)
- Fabric Flair plastic coaster, 8cm diameter (3¼in)
- Vilene, 12x12cm (5x5in)

### Mouse mat

- Zweigart 28 count white Brittney evenweave, ref: 3270/100; 30x25cm (12x10in)
- Photomat with sleeve for inserting cross stitch, 22.5x18.5cm (9x7¼in)
- Vilene, 30x25cm (12x10in)

### For both

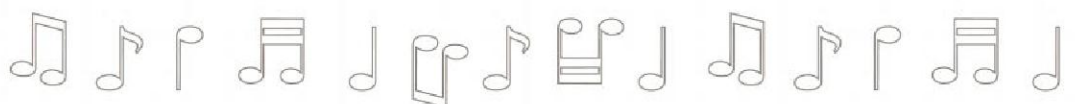
- Stranded cotton as listed in the key
- Size 26 tapestry needle

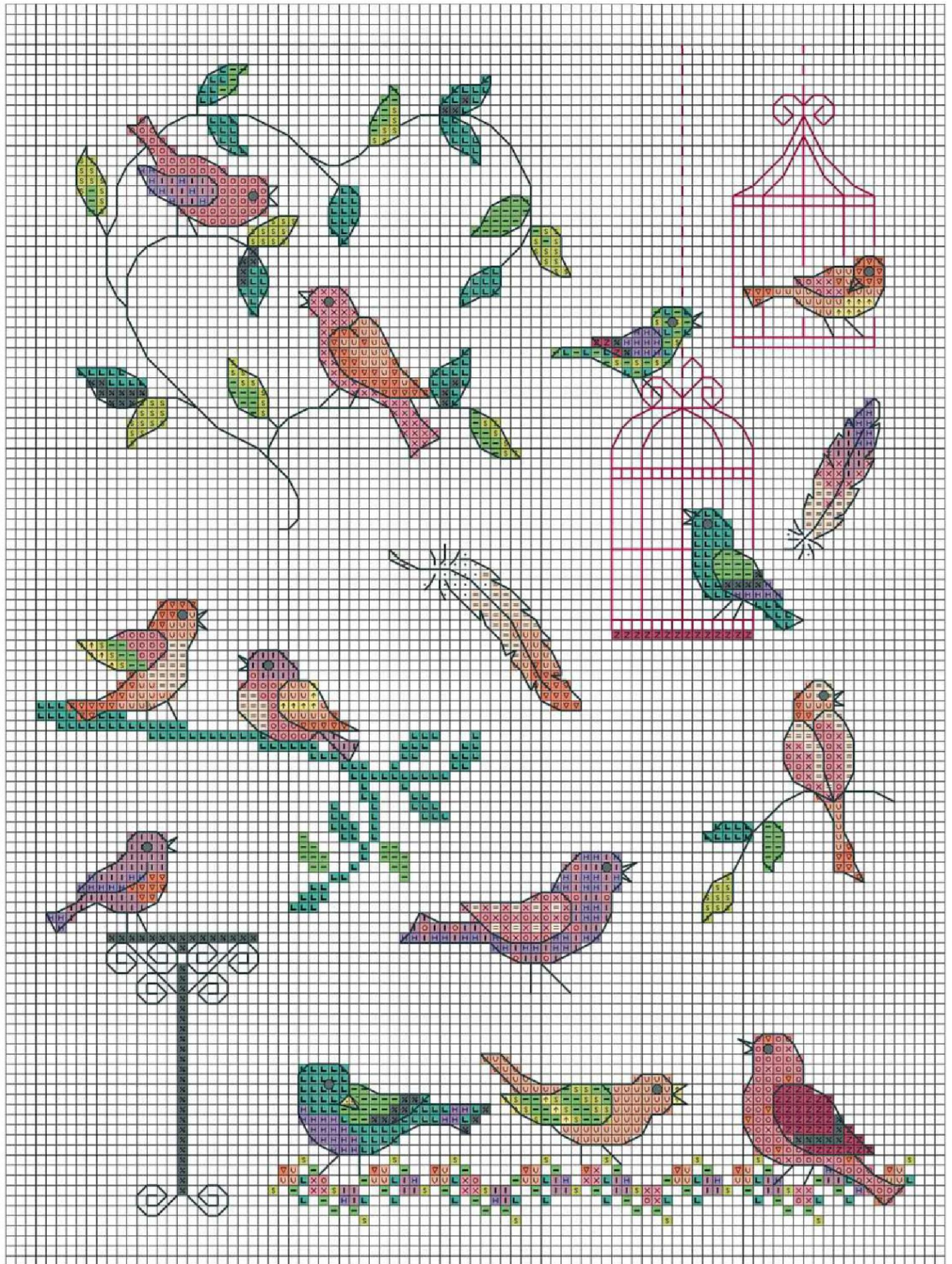
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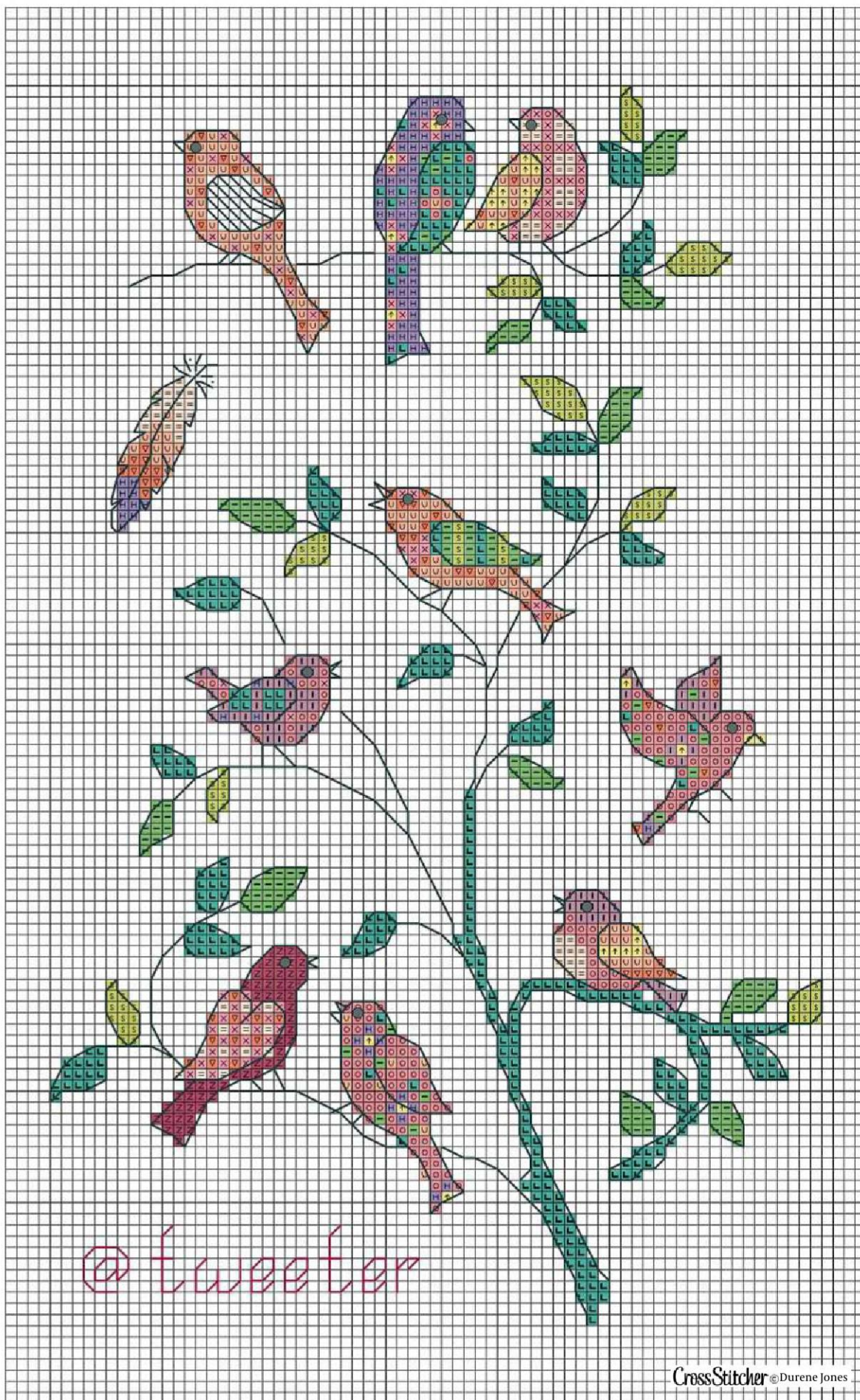




Up up  
&  
away









Stitch count: 31 high x 25 wide  
 Design size: 6x6cm (2¼x2¼in)  
 Stitch time: 2 hours

These designs were stitched on 28 count evenweave over two threads of fabric.

## Make a... coaster

### Step 1

**STITCH** your design and then cut the evenweave slightly larger than your coaster. Iron Vilene onto the back.

### Step 2

**REMOVE** the coaster back and then place it centrally over the fabric. Draw around the edge and then carefully cut out the circle of fabric.

### Step 3

**PLACE** the stitching in the coaster and then snap on the back to hold it in place.

	DMC	Anchor	Madeira
<b>Cross stitch in two strands</b>			
	155	1030	902
	703	238	1307
	712	926	2101
	744	301	112
	924	851	1706
	948	1011	306
	957	031	612
	3340	329	301
	3350	059	603
	3733	075	813
	3812	188	2706

	DMC	Anchor	Madeira
<b>Cross stitch in two strands</b>			
	3819	278	2703
	3824	008	2605
	3836	090	711
	blanc	001	white
<b>Backstitch in one strand</b>			
	924	851	1706
	outlines		
	3350	059	603
	words		
<b>French knots in one strand</b>			
	924	851	1706
	eyes		

## More to make...

Our flocks of folksy birds are fabulous for all sorts of occasions. Here are some easy ideas to get you started...

**1** Arrange the birds to create a wall hanger with a wooden dowel at each end.

**2** Use beads instead of stitches to add beautiful bird motifs to a purse using waste canvas.

**3** Stitch the birds onto aida band and attach round a plain tin to create a pretty desk tidy.

