

Retro Birds Cushion chart (right)

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### ✕ Cross stitch in two strands

	DMC	Anchor	Madeira	
∩	blanc	2	2402	white
x	210	108	802	lilac
e	552	99	713	dark lilac
T	598	1062	1111	turquoise
b	644	830	1814	ash grey
■	721	324	308	orange
\$	977	1002	2302	ginger
◇	3607	87	708	pink
♥	3805	63	410	dark pink
o	3821	305	2510	gold

### ✕ Backstitch in one strand

—	169	1040	1707	pewter grey
—	413	236	1713	dark grey
—	3805	63	410	dark pink

### ✕ Backstitch in two strands

—	blanc	2	2402	white
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**STITCH COUNT** 126 high x 126 wide

**DESIGN AREA** 14 HPI (28-count evenweave) – 23x23cm (9x9in)

This design was stitched using DMC stranded cotton on 28-count evenweave over two threads of the fabric



## Shopping list

- ✕ Zweigart\* 28-count cream evenweave measuring 33x33cm (13x13in)
  - ✕ Stranded cotton as listed in the key
  - ✕ Size 26 tapestry needle
  - ✕ Backing fabric of choice. Ours is Tilda cotton print 'Light Sun, Tan Yellow' (TD480849.M), from White Tree Fabrics\*. You will need 50cm (20in).
  - ✕ Cushion pad to fit
- Thread & fabric cost**  
**Approximately £15**
- \*For stockists see page 90

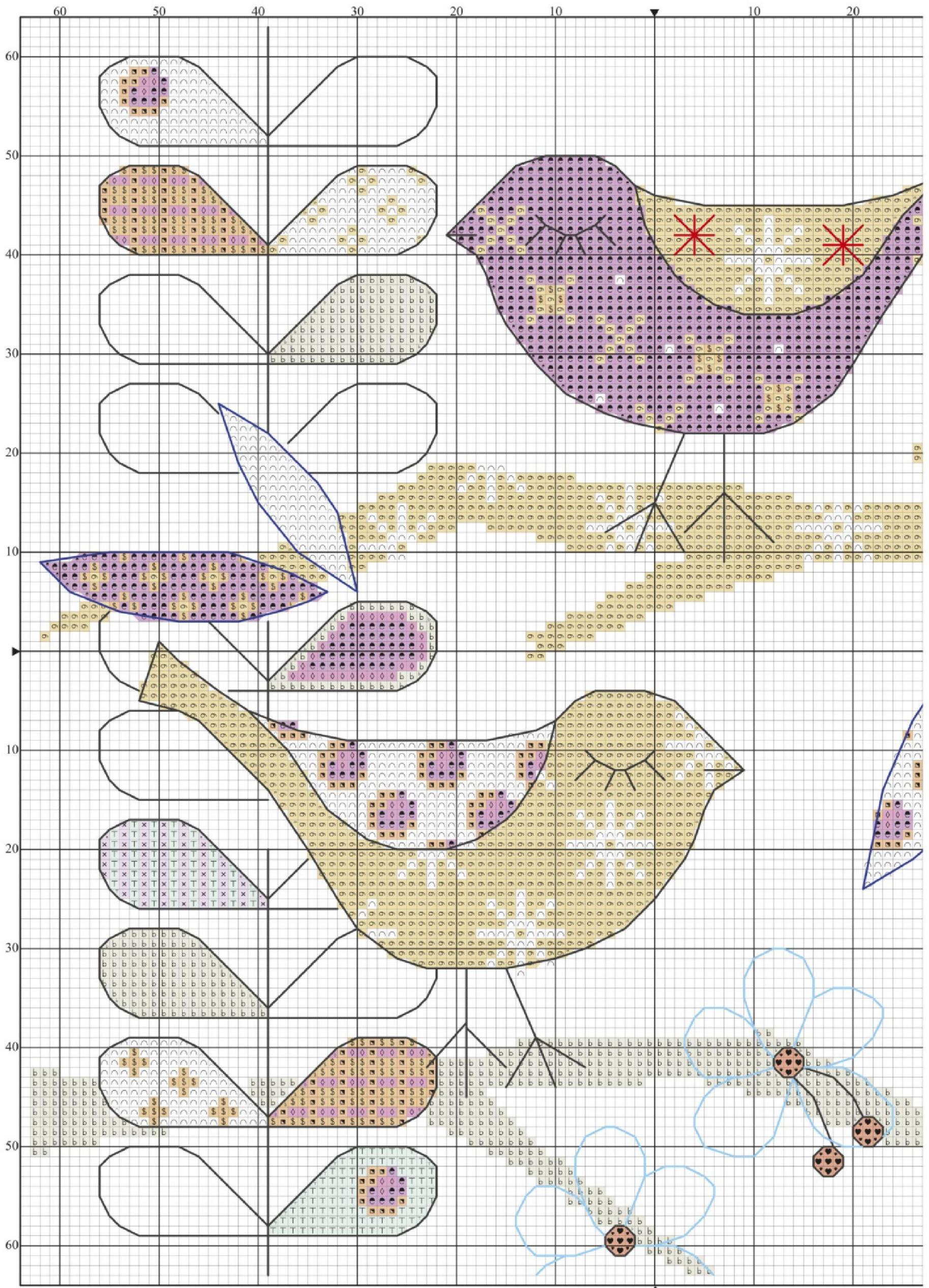
## How to...

## make a cushion

- 1 Gently wash and** press your finished stitch. Trim to size – ours is 27x27cm (10½x10½in).
- 2 Cut two panels** of backing fabric measuring 27x11cm (10½x4¼in) and pin to the sides of the stitching, right sides together. Hand- or machine-sew with a 2cm (¾in) seam allowance and press open the seams.
- 3 Cut two more** panels to 11x41cm (4¼x16in) and pin at the top and bottom of the stitching. Sew, then press the seams open.

- 4 Now cut two** back panels measuring 27x41cm (10½x16in). Press and sew a 2cm (¾in) hem along one long edge of each piece. With right sides facing, layer these panels over the front, and pin in place so the hemmed edges overlap in the middle, to form an envelope-style opening.
- 5 Sew all around** the edges. Turn through and press, then insert a cushion pad to finish.





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