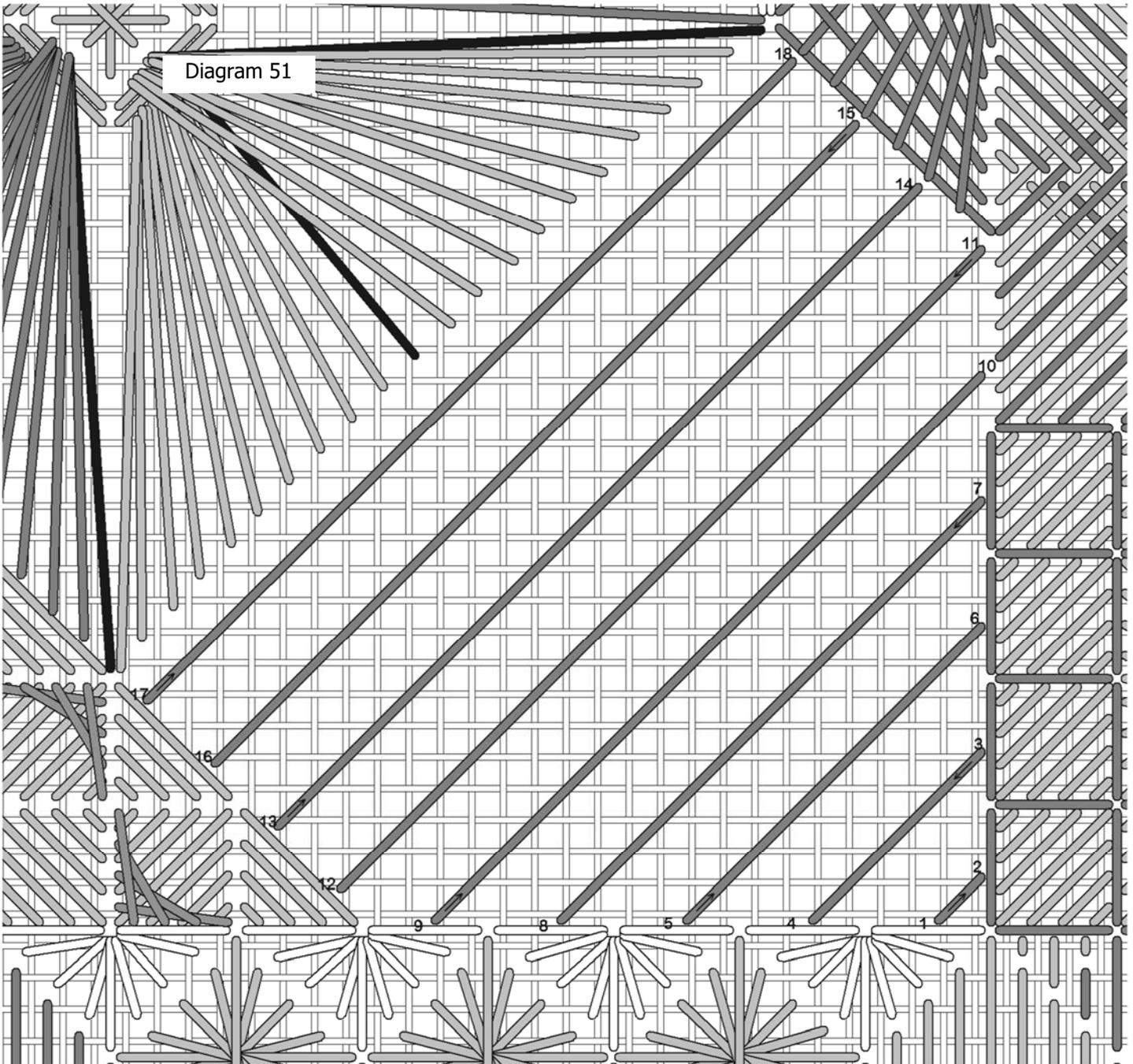


LAID RIBBONS

Thread type	As Shown	Your choice
Metallic rayon ribbon	Rainbow Gallery Neon Rays+ NP09 Purple	

For the final two areas I wanted something a little more open, so for Area M I covered laid ribbons with a herringbone stitch. First the laid ribbons: I started in the bottom right corner because that seemed easier to count to me. Lay the ribbons as flat as you can using a laying tool. I stitched economy style rather than satin stitch style. I anchored by running the ribbon through the scotch stitches on the back, because I didn't want to risk the anchor showing through in the open canvas.

Stitch as shown in Diagram 51.



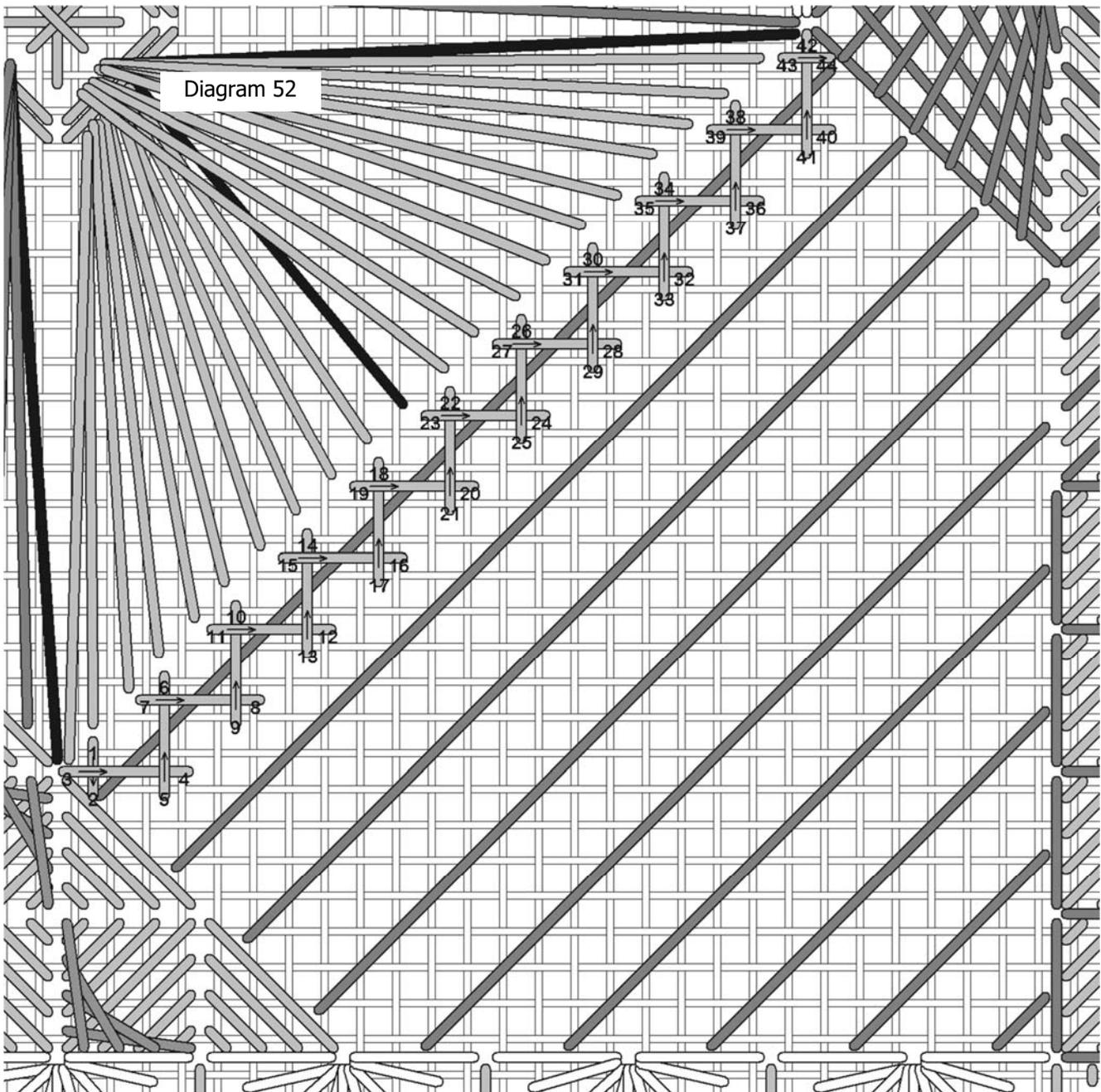
End off the ribbon the same way, by running through the backs of stitches.

HERRINGBONE

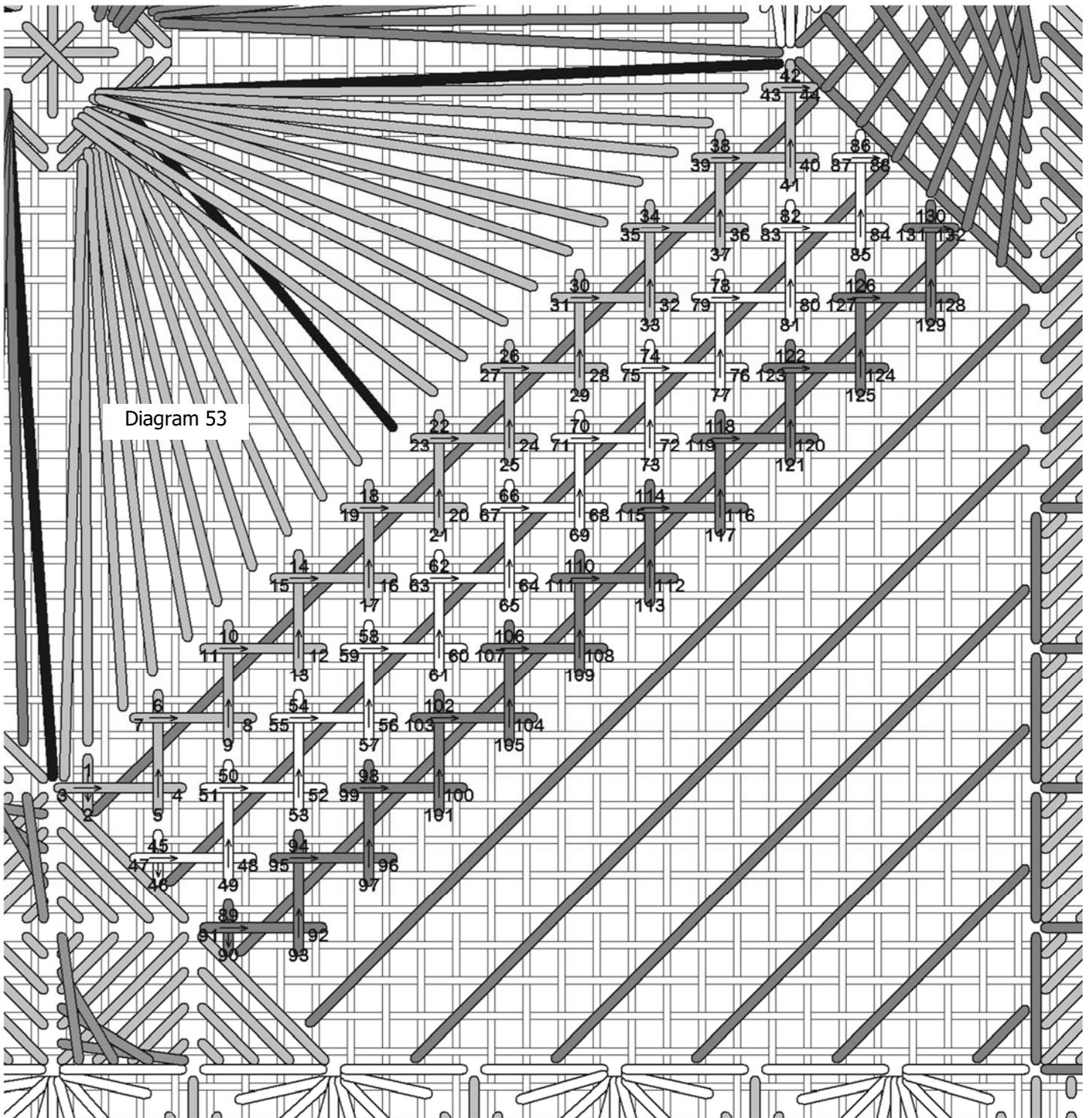
Thread type	As Shown	Your choice
Bamboo floss	Rainbow Gallery Mandarin Floss M814 Orange (2)	
Bamboo floss	Rainbow Gallery Mandarin Floss M806 Dark Dusty Rose (2)	
Bamboo floss	Rainbow Gallery Mandarin Floss M866 Very Dark Violet (2)	

Over the laid ribbons I stitched herringbone stitches, alternating the colors in rows: orange, pink then purple, and repeat until the area is completed. I used 2 strands of floss and a loop start. I think the finished area looks like rick rack!

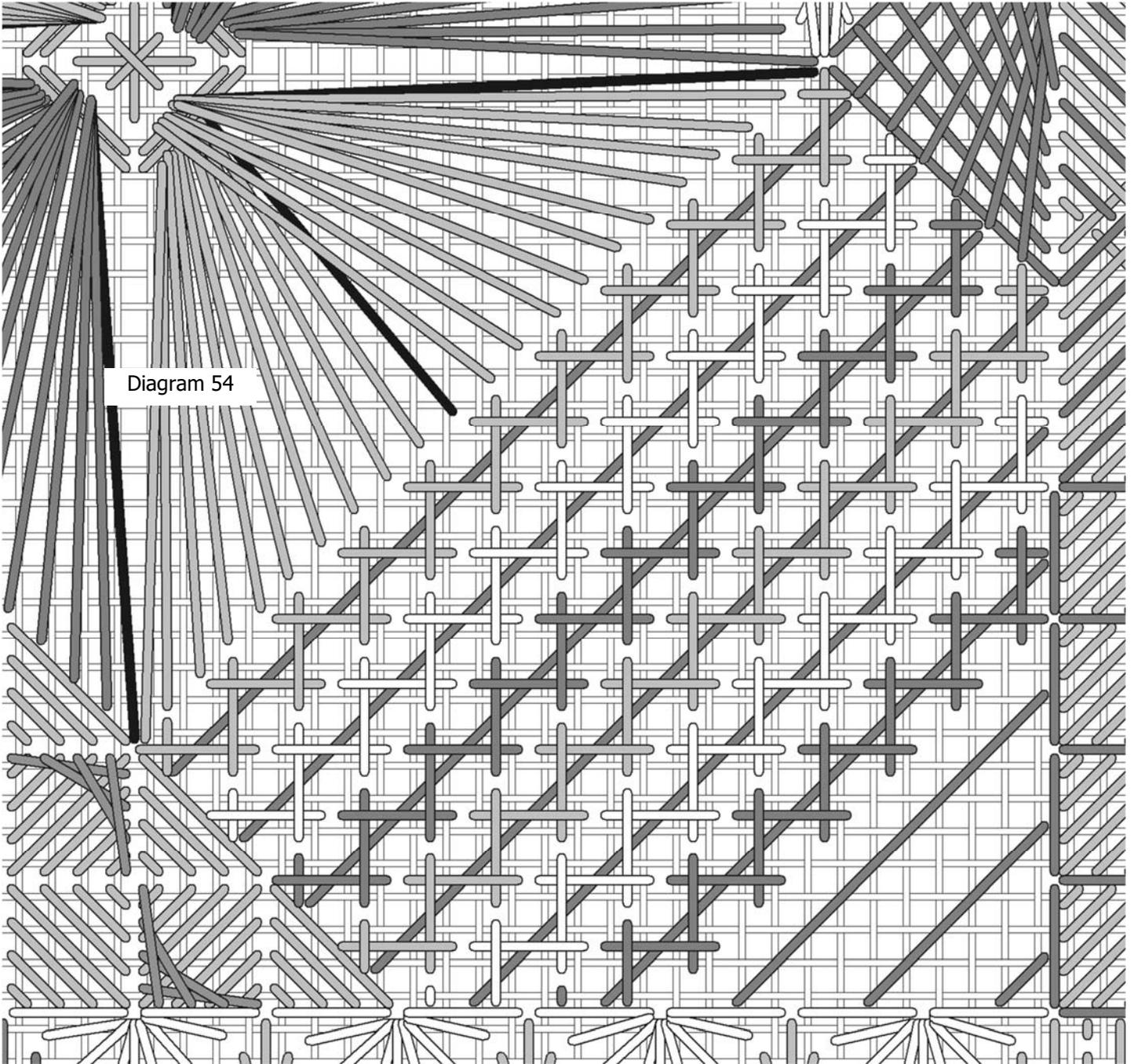
Stitch the first row as shown. There's a little bit of compensation at the edges. I did not end off the thread, but parked it to use when I needed it again.



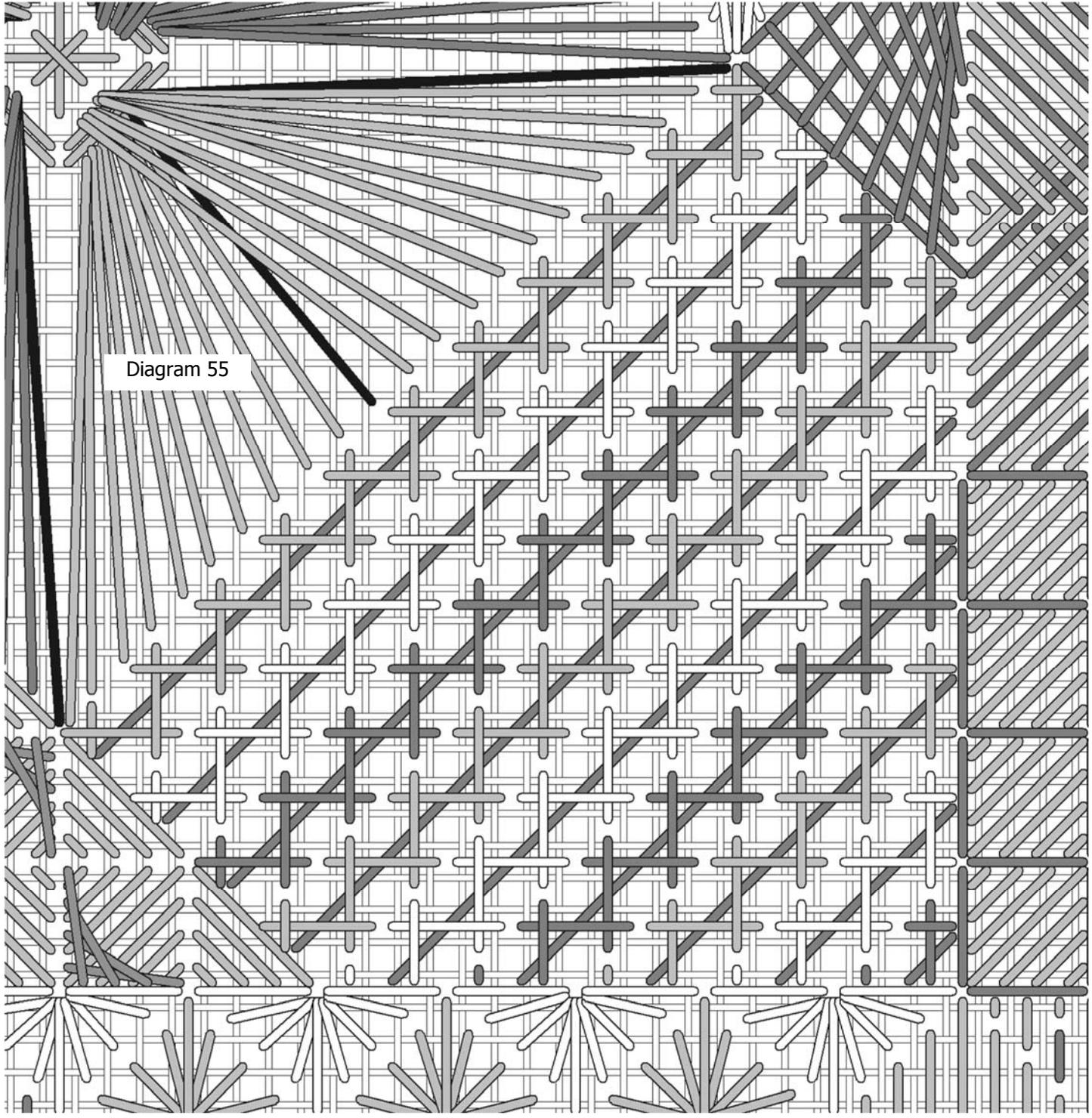
Stitch the second and third rows with the pink then purple threads.

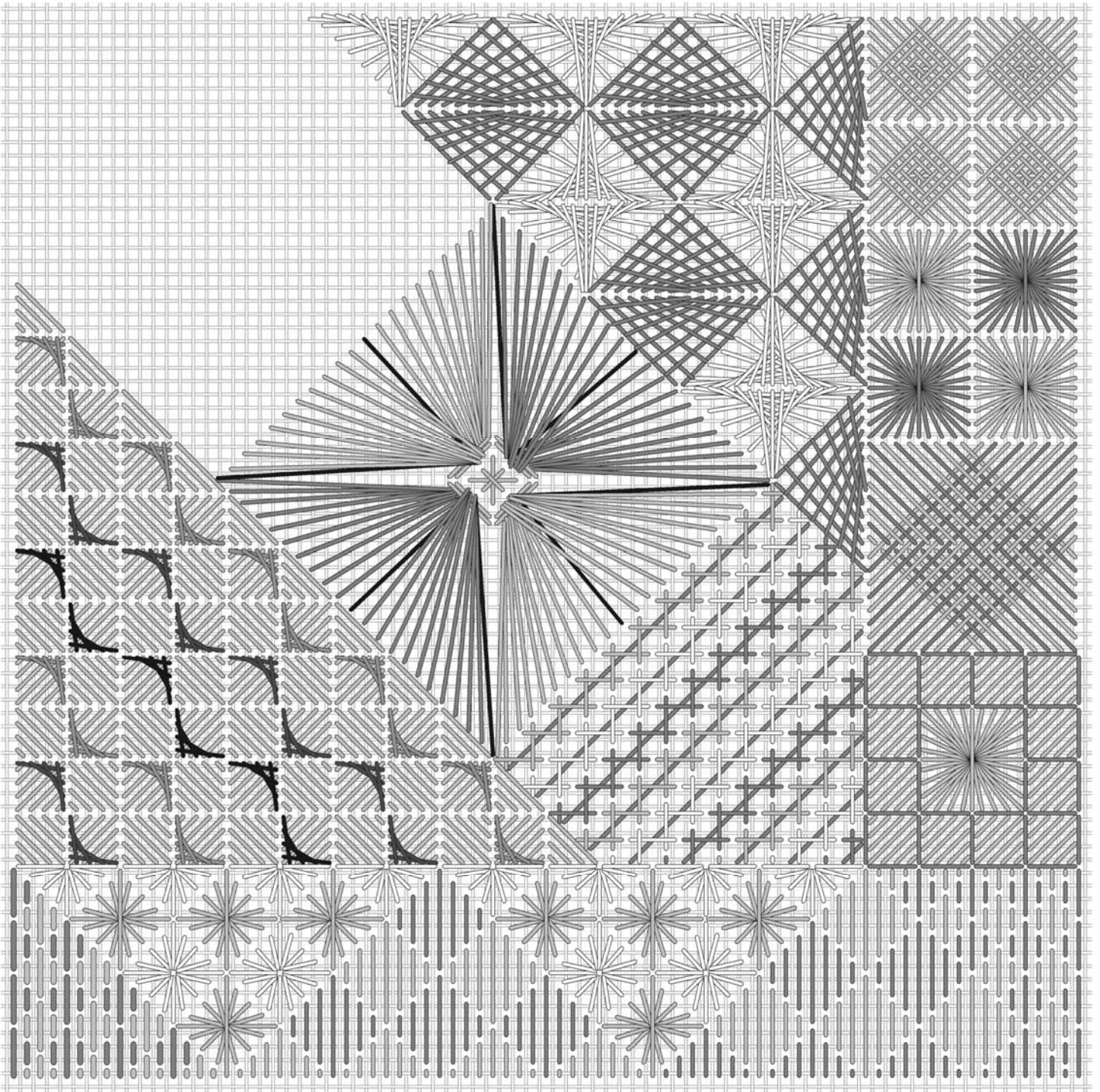


Normally with rows of herringbone all of the stitches are crossed the same way, but I was lazy and didn't end off the threads to start all of the rows on the left side. So, for the fourth, fifth and sixth rows I started on the right side, and cross the threads the other way.



Finish the area with the last three rows. I started these rows from the left side. After finishing with each color, I ended off the thread by running it through the scotch stitches on the back of the canvas.





Here's the whole thing so far—one area left to go!