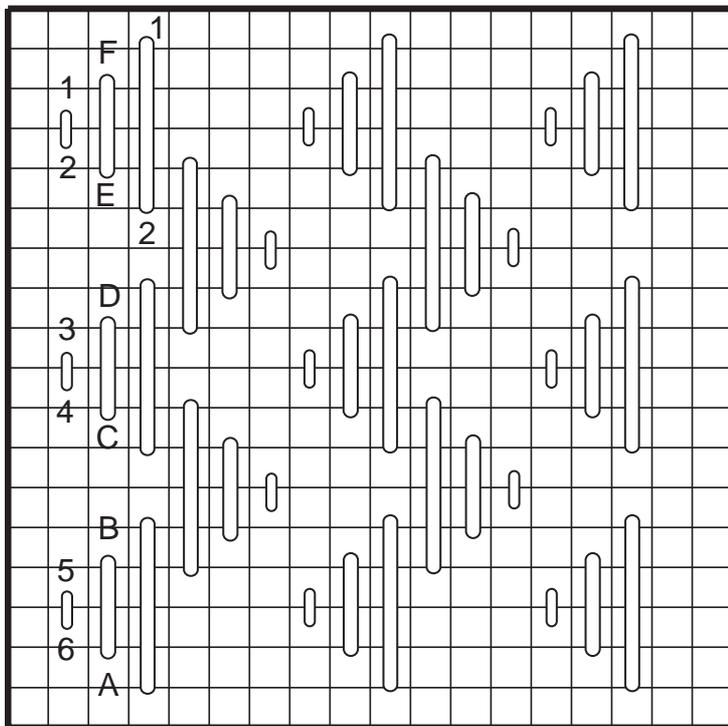


Darning Pattern



Darning Patterns are some of our favorite stitches. They are quick to complete and showcase not only the wonderful threads that are available but the beautiful painting on the canvas. This is, after all, usually what made you buy the canvas in the first place. Lighter weight threads will allow more of the canvas to show through. With this particular darning pattern, you see the threads on top of the canvas and showing through from the wrong side as well.

Begin at number 1 weaving your needle up and down following the numbers toward the bottom of the canvas. Start again at the bottom following the numbers toward the top. Continue in this manner, compensating as necessary.

Consider using the new Buds, Backgrounds from Rainbow Gallery or Kreinik Very Fine (#4) Braid for a sparkly look.

Design Tip: When looking at the pattern above, do you see rows of triangles pointing in either direction? Stitch the first 3 rows of the pattern in one color and the next 3 in a contrasting color for a striped effect, or use 2 different threads in the same color for a subtle textured effect. Experiment and have fun!