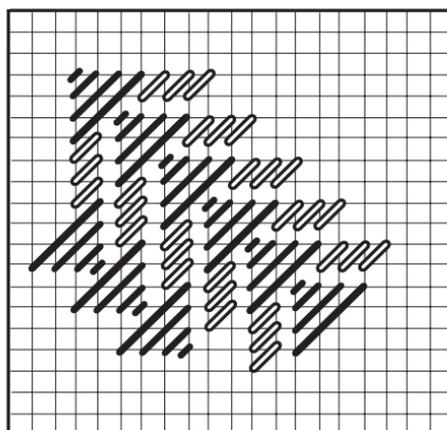
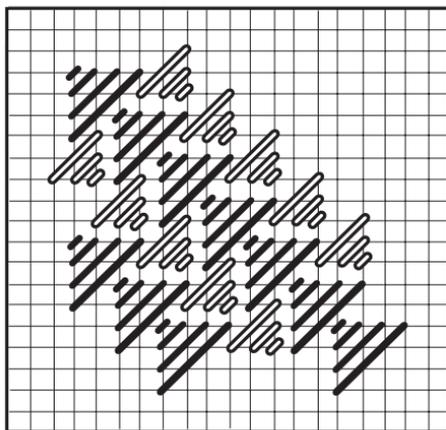
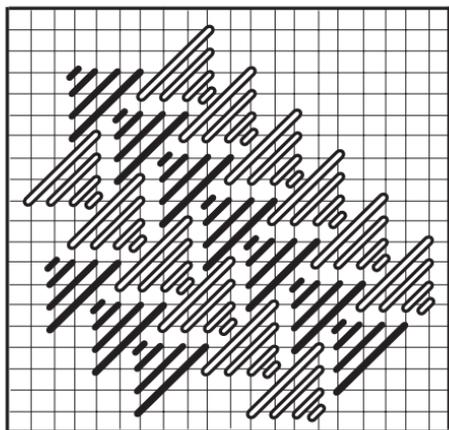


## ***Milanese and its variations***



Milanese is a fun stitch that actually looks like a quilt pattern. Use it anywhere you want a little movement and texture.

The pattern shown at top left is the basic Milanese stitch made up of interlocking triangles that face in opposite directions. You can see by simply moving the triangles one thread closer together your interlocking triangles get smaller creating a different look. (See pattern shown at top right.)

Or move two interlocking rows apart and suddenly there is room for three diagonal stitches each over two threads elongating the legs of the triangles. This variation is actually called the Oriental Stitch but you can easily see its origin in the Milanese Stitch.

When working this stitch, it is recommended you work up a row of triangles and then down the next so that you don't lose your way.

Experiment with two different colors of thread or two different finishes to create textures and patterns in your stitching.