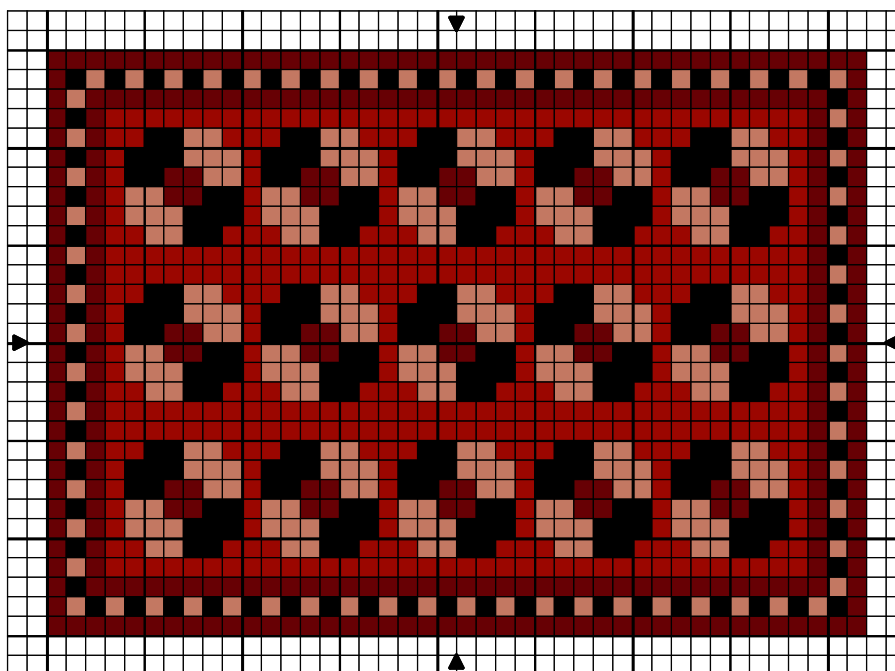






1:144 scale Oriental rug: Ersari, circa 1900



	DMC	
	356	light terracotta
	347	red
	221	dark red
	310	black

Stitch Count	42 x 30
Design Area	7/8 x 5/8 inches at 48ct
	3/4 x 1/2 inches at 54ct
	3/4 x 1/2 inches at 60ct
	5/8 x 3/8 inches at 72ct

Note: When stitched on 60 count gauze, this rug is an accurately scaled version of a circa 1900 Ersari rug. You can add or skip rows of medallions to change the size.

Cut silk gauze at least 1" wider and longer than design area. Glue gauze into an "embroidery frame" cut from sturdy card, with an aperture $\frac{1}{2}$ " less than the size of the gauze.

Stitch the medallion centers first, starting in the middle and counting carefully. Then complete the medallions before filling the background. Stitch the borders one by one, from the inside out.

If you'd like to have fringe, stitch one or possibly glue on a strip of partly unravelled fabric. Apply Tacky Glue or similar to the last few rows of stitches, on the back only! Work the glue into the stitches with a firm paintbrush. Or use FrayCheck, but be aware that if it seeps through to the right side it may darken the shade of the thread. Remove gauze from frame and carefully cut next to the stitching.

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