

# VINTAGE ELEGANCE

A BUSINESS CARD POUCH OR SMALL PURSE

USING KREINIK VINTAGE THREADS

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## MATERIALS

Kreinik **Tapestry (#12) Braid:**

153V Vintage Burgundy (1 reel)

003V Vintage Red (4 yards)

Kreinik **Fine (#8) Braid:**

150V Vintage Amber (1 reel)

Kreinik **1/8" Ribbon:**

153V Vintage Burgundy (1 yard)

7" x 13" piece of Zweigart Lt. Caramel

Congress Cloth

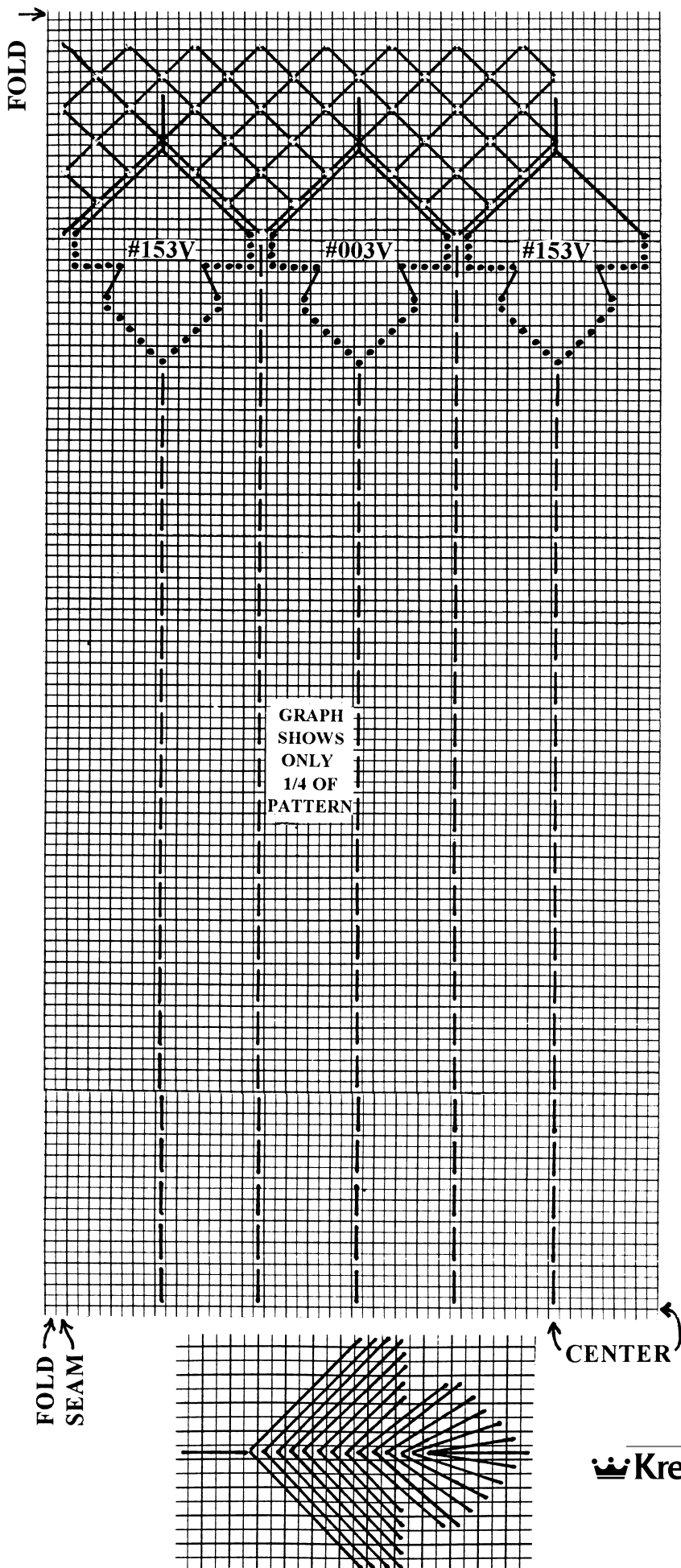
Also: #24 Tapestry needle, masking tape,

7" and 13" stretcher bars, tacks

## INSTRUCTIONS

*Upper left 1/4 of pattern is graphed; work other 3/4 as mirror images. Unless otherwise instructed, use 18" strands of metallic thread for stitching.*

1. Tape edges of Congress Cloth; mount on bars.
2. Measure 2" down from center of top edge. Work one leaf in **153V**. Begin all stitches at outer edge; sink at centerline. Work stem last. Work remaining four leaves in **003V** and **153V**, alternating colors.
3. Save 5 yards of **150V** for stripes and seams. Use half the remainder for backstitch (over 3) lattice.
4. Use 15" strands of **150V** to work running stitch stripes (under 1/over 3), beginning and ending under 1.
5. Work leaves and lattice at bottom, taking care to work them upside down as mirror images.
6. To finish: Remove from bars. Trim Congress Cloth to 1/2" inch from embroidery on sides; to 1" top and bottom. Referring to graph for fold lines, fold sides between meshes to wrong side, aligning meshes; repeat with top and bottom. Miter corners to reduce bulk. Fold in half across width, wrong side inside. Use **150V** to work seams in double running stitch (over 4); stitch through all layers. Overcast top edge in **153V**; cover 2 meshes outside and 2 inside pouch; stitch through all layers. Knot ends of 1/8" Ribbon; tack to upper corners of pouch for hanging cord.



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