

# Basic Detail Report

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## Sampler

### Primary Maker

Eleanor J. Taylor

### Medium

Plied silk thread on linen

### Description

A family register sampler embroidered on open weave natural linen with plied silk threads in shades of medium and olive green, brown and pale tan, off white, dark blue, pink and purple. In the center of the piece, a family register, worked in brown, reads "Edward Taylor born Mar.

9, 1799 / Lydia Wikoff July 16, 1798 / Married Oct. 19, 1819 / Children as follows / William W. born Oct. 25 1820 / Eleanor I. [J] June 25 1826 / George G. aug 9 1835," within a rectangular border with clipped corners worked in white and black silk. Above the register are two large elaborate two-handled vases with large roses and rosebuds and clusters of trees with pairs of perching birds. On either side of the register are florid bouquets, with a single butterfly at right. Below the register is a pictorial scene featuring a low hill populated with a horse, cow, sheep, birds, and what appear to be dogs. A weeping willow arches atop the hill at right, while a leafy tree and a large bird atop a small branch are depicted at left. Above the hill is the inscription "Eleanor I. [J] Taylor / 1839." Immediately to the right of the inscription is a red bird perched atop a small pine tree. A green and white checkerboard border runs along the left and right sides of the sampler, while a zig zag strawberry vine borders the top and bottom edges.

### Dimensions

Sight: 17.63 × 16 in. (44.8 × 40.6 cm)