

# Basic Detail Report

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## Sampler

### Primary Maker

Sarah A. Vanderveer

### Medium

Plied silk thread on linen

### Description

An alphabet and family record sampler on natural linen, worked in plied silk thread in shades of dark green, light green, medium blue, sky blue, pale yellow, cream white, dark brown, golden brown, and tan. The sampler includes a variety of stitches including cross, long-arm cross, square, Algerian eyelet, chain, blanket, and queen. Across

the top of the sampler runs a feathered diamond chain, with a variety of patterns filling each shape. Below are four alphabets worked on six lines, beginning with a cursive upper case alphabet, a one-inch upper case alphabet from A to Y, a half-inch upper case alphabet, and a half-inch lower case alphabet from a to z and ending with numerals 1 through 12. Below the last alphabet line runs a zigzag band. Worked in the lower half of the sampler is a clipped corner rectangle containing the family register reading "Joseph I. Vanderveer born Jan 9 1790 / Jane Smock born Nov 10 1791 / were married Dec 6 1809 / Their children are as follows / John Henry born Dec 27 1810 / Aaron March 7 1815 / Sarah Ann Nov 25 1821 / Jane Elizabeth May 13 1829." Below the register is the signature and date reading "Sarah A Vanderveer / her work / 1833." To the left and right of the register panel are two elaborate floral urns with roses and peonies. Below each urn are small motifs including pine trees, shrubs, and perching birds. A narrow herringbone stitch border runs along all four edges of the sampler.

### Dimensions

17 × 17.5 in. (43.2 × 44.5 cm)