

Basic Detail Report



Embroidered Terrestrial Globe

Primary Maker

Hannah E. Deacon

Medium

Ink and embroidered silk on linen, stuffed with wool

Description

A spherical globe style sampler made of fine off-white silk over a closely woven linen base, stuffed with sawdust.

The continents are outlined in black ink, with painted dark

gray watercolor shading along all continent lines and running stitches of pale pink silk embroidery thread. Latitude and longitude lines are delineated with pale pink silk thread, couched at all intersections. The elliptic line is marked with multiple pale yellow silk threads held in place with pale pink silk couching threads wherever it intersects with longitude and latitude lines. All continents and many countries are named, including "America" with the smaller notation "United States" below, "Russian Empire," and "Africa." Australia is noted as "New Holland." The maker appears to have erred in naming one of the continents, with the word "Europe" faintly visible under the title "Asia." All major oceans as well as some smaller areas are identified, such as "Bay of Bengal," "China Sea," and "Baffins Bay." The globe's finely sewn seam lines are hidden under the silk longitude threads. At the top and bottom of the globe, pale blue silk threads are used to join the points of the globe's construction. An original early 19th century brass pin with a wire wrapped head is inserted into the bottom of the globe.

Dimensions

4.88 in. (12.4 cm)