

Basic Detail Report



Sampler Practice Piece

Medium

Plied silk thread on linen

Description

An elongated open weave natural linen panel, with selvedge edges at left and right and narrow hems along the top and bottom. The panel is worked in plied silk thread in black, dark green, grass green, dark blue, medium blue, blue-green, sky blue, clear red, rose, pale pink, purple, pale yellow, and tan. Both cross and queen stitches are used. Eight separate and well-worked motifs are embroidered on the linen roughly from left to right. A small cornucopia with a floral bouquet appears above a leaping stag. What appears to be an architectural or repeat band corner is embroidered in bold black, blue, and pale yellow. In the center of the linen panel is a four petaled floral design, worked in queen stitch, with cross stitched leaves. A large strawberry repeat band vine also in queen stitch appears above a floral repeat band worked in cross stitch. A closely stitched and colorful butterfly appears to the right of the bands. In the lower right portion of the panel is worked a naturalistic bunch of blue and purple grapes with leaves and tendrils. The architectural motif and the grapevine motif both retain lengths of their original embroidery thread, which remains uncut.

Dimensions

4 × 17.13 in. (10.2 × 43.5 cm)