

Basic Detail Report



Teaching Sampler

Medium

Plied silk thread and linen thread on linen

Description

A large square sampler on closely-woven medium-weight linen with a selvedge along the bottom edge and narrow hemmed left, top, and right edges, worked in plied silk thread in dark green, grass green, olive green, rose, pale pink, dark brown, medium brown, pale peach, pale yellow, pale turquoise blue, tan, and off white. Virtually all embroidery is done in cross stitch, with a few instances of

satin stitch. Forty-three separate motifs are embroidered on this linen panel, including nine border fragments, three houses, seven types of birds including a tiny brown owl, three floral baskets and two small empty basket examples, and a large variety of floral sprays, sprigs, and single blossoms. On the far left edge of the sampler is one-half of a large floral spray. Only two animals are depicted, including a large brown stag near the center of the linen panel, and a tiny lion embroidered in the extreme lower right corner. The grassy bands below two of the houses are worked in rows of satin stitch. The door on the building at the far right appears to be embroidered using unplied fibrous linen thread, done in satin stitch.

Dimensions

16 × 18.38 in. (40.6 × 46.7 cm)