

# Basic Detail Report

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## Pin Cushion

### Medium

Linen, plied silk thread, printed cotton, wool, and steel pins

### Description

A small rectangular pin cushion constructed of loosely woven brown linen, embroidered in plied silk threads in forest green, brick red, pale sky blue, pale pink, dark brown, golden tan, and oyster white. The front of the pin

cushion includes three sets of initials, including "RS," "SS," and "MS," and several small single design elements including a stylized tulip, a small strawberry, and a heart. On the back of the pin cushion, several horizontal lines of cross stitch banding are worked within a small cross stitch border. Along one long side, a strawberry repeat band appears. The embroidered linen is stretched tightly over the underlayer, comprised of a scrap of what appears to be a brown and red on white 18th century printed cotton floral fabric. The short ends of the linen are worked in a variety of openwork chain stitching. The cushion may be stuffed with wool. Scattered over both sides of the cushion are forty coil headed steel straight pins.

### Dimensions

1.13 × 3.75 × 2.38 in. (2.9 × 9.5 × 6 cm)