Basic Detail Report



Sampler

Medium

Silk on linen

Description

A rectangular sampler worked on natural linen, using silk threads in shades of green, blue, and ivory. In the center of the sampler, a leafy oval medallion surrounds the inscription "A. D. 1828 / M. Horner's / Work Aged / 11 Years." The central oval is flanked by floral baskets. Above, the verse "When reason as the helm appears / Which grace the heav'nly pilot steers / The bark runs

steady tho' the tempests roar / And brings us safely to a peaceful shore" is worked in dark brown, flanked by stylised floral urns. A small stylized foliate band separates verse from signature oval. Along the lower third of the sampler is a central scene depicting a large central tree, a pair of dogs, and what appears to be two small human figures, the scene flanked on either side by floral sprays. A wide border of a stylized floral vine runs along all four sides, with a narrow sawtooth band worked in ivory silk along the top and sides of the sampler.

Dimensions

Framed: 20 × 19 in. (50.8 × 48.3 cm)