

Basic Detail Report



Sampler

Primary Maker
Mary Jane Story

Medium

Plied silk thread on coarse linen canvas

Description

A narrow horizontal practice sampler worked on sturdy linen canvas ground in plied silk thread in brown, tan, and russet. The linen retains its selvedge edges at the left and right sides, showing a single red edge thread, and hems at the top and bottom edges. The sampler's bottom hem is distinctly uneven, slanting up sharply from the left to the right corners. A large upper case alphabet is embroidered along the top two rows, followed by numerals one through thirteen and the monogram "M N T." Below runs a full lower case alphabet. In the lower left corner of the sampler are worked large 1 1/4 inch upper case letters A and B in eyelet stitch. A small quarter-inch lower case alphabet forms the bottom row of embroidery, followed by the signature "Mary Jane Story sampler." Other than the large Algerian eyelet letters, all work is done in simple cross stitch. A simple cross stitch variation border bands run along the edges of the sampler and separate the alphabet lines.

Dimensions

5.88 × 19.38 in. (14.9 × 49.2 cm)