

Embroidered Pocketbook

Primary Maker

Deacon Family

Medium

Plied silk thread, canvas, silk, and cardboard

Description

A small rectangular pocketbook with front and back panels stiffened with cardboard and a shallow shaped foldover flap. The exterior of the case is of linen ground entirely embroidered in plied silk threads in deep green, dull pink, soft tan, and oyster white. The diamond and diagonal panel pattern is worked in Queen stitch. The interior of the front and back panels as well as the flap are lined in drab green plain woven silk. Two accordion fold pockets, constructed of fine dull brown plain weave silk and stiffened with cardboard panels, are sewn into the interior. Brown silk wedges form side gussets. The brown silk used for the pockets and gussets has been neatly and

discreetly pieced in several areas during construction.

Dimensions

 $4.13 \times 3.5 \times 0.63$ in. $(10.5 \times 8.9 \times 1.6$ cm)