



Embroidered Potholder

Medium

Plied silk thread on linen

Description

A small square tightly-woven linen panel with rounded corners, worked in plied silk embroidery threads in shades of dark green, medium green, light olive green, deep salmon pink, rose, pale pink, pale yellow, and black. The floral motif is comprised of a large central stylized rose in graduated shades of pink worked in satin stitch, edged with green leaves. The rose is flanked on either side by vining tendrils sporting smaller roses and rosebuds, all worked in pink shades with green leaves. The stems and

vines extend from a curving green base. The entire design appears to have been first drawn in with ink, then embroidered. The initials "A B" are worked in cross stitch in fine black silk thread immediately below the central rose bloom. The back of the panel is lined with slightly coarser linen and bound with narrow woven linen tape. A 2 1/2 inch loop of the same narrow linen tape is sewn to the top center of the panel.

Dimensions

7 × 7.5 in. (17.8 × 19.1 cm)