

# Basic Detail Report



## Title Sampler

Date 1826

Primary Maker Harriet N. Allyn

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Medium Embroidery; silk thread on a plain-woven, undyed linen ground; glass, wood, black and gold paint

Description Sampler worked in light brown silk threads on a plain-woven linen ground in cross and long-arm cross. The sampler is rectangular, oriented vertically. It is laid out with six rows of one alphabet, over an inscription at the bottom. The inscription is "Harriet Allyn Æ 11 years". The lines of alphabets are separated by straight, narrow borders. The sampler has narrow four-sided border. The sampler has a narrow double-turned hem on all four sides. Letters and Numbers: There is one alphabet; it is in uppercase block. The letters J and U are present. The alphabet ends in Y. All lowercase letters with descenders, such as the letter 'g', are placed so the descender does not extend below the baseline. Stitches: The principal stitch on the sampler is cross stitch (over two); it is also worked in long arm cross and cross stitch (over one). Condition: The sampler probably has moderate to severe fading. There are dark stains in the upper section of the sampler.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width of frame): 13 7/16 x 9 1/16in.

(34.1 x 23cm) Primary Dimensions (height x width inside frame): 12 1/2 x 8in.

(31.8 x 20.3cm) Primary Dimensions (approx. height x width of ground): 10 1/4 x 6 1/2in. (26 x 16.5cm)