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Title Sampler

Date 1837

Primary Maker Sarah Lucy Skinner

Medium Embroidery; silk thread on a plain-woven, undyed linen ground

Description Marking sampler worked in dark brown, medium brown, light brown, and light khaki silk threads on a plain-woven linen ground in cross stitches over two threads. The sampler is rectangular, oriented horizontally. It is laid out with five rows of three alphabets and an inscription. The inscription is "1837". The lines of alphabets and text are separated by various narrow borders, including straight and meandering lines. There are vertical markers after the first and second alphabets. There is no border. The sampler has a 2/8-inch double-turned hem on all four edges. It is not framed. Letters and Numbers: There are three alphabets. The letters are uppercase block in alphabet 1, lowercase block in alphabet 2, and uppercase script in alphabet 3. The letter J is present in the first and second alphabets; the letter U is present in all alphabets. The third

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alphabet ends at the letter U. Stitches: The sampler is worked in cross stitches

over two threads. Condition: The sampler has at least two holes. The upper left

and lower right corners and surrounding areas of the ground are stained. There

is minimal fading. The sampler is not framed.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width): 4 1/2 x 8 1/2in. (11.4 x 21.6cm)