

Basic Detail Report

Title Sampler

Date 1805-1810

Primary Maker Polly Peck

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

Description Marking sampler worked in dark blues, dark brown, and light brown silk threads on a plain-woven linen ground using cross stitches over two threads.

The sampler is rectangular, oriented horizontally. It is laid out with three rows of one alphabet, over a group of letters at the bottom. The lines of alphabets are separated by narrow straight borders. There is a four-sided narrow border. The sampler has a 3/16-inch double-turned hem on all four edges. The sampler is not framed. Letters and Numbers: There is one alphabet plus five additional individual letters. The letters are uppercase block in the alphabet. The letters J and U are not present. The additional letters are uppercase H and uppercase block JEPZ. There are two other letters that resemble the letter H, though they differ from the H in the alphabet. Stitches: The sampler is worked in cross stitches over two threads. Condition: There is some stitch loss, primarily to the horizontal lines separating the alphabets. The ground has yellowed and has stains at the right side. The sampler is not framed.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width): 5 7/8 x 6 3/4in. (14.9 x 17.1cm)