Blog #59 - Samplers, Samplers and more Samplers ... Saturday, 27 May 2017

As promised in my last blog - more pics of amazing samplers that adorn the walls at the beautiful home of Ellen & Tom Chester and too, other exquisite needlework pieces.

This time all samplers and needlework pieces are in Ellen's office and **all** are Ellen's creations, published under her company name of 'With My Needle'.

Almost all designs are currently in stock and therefore are available to be purchased from the Needlework Gallery. www.barberryrow.com/wmn/wmn.html











Here are a few pics of 'With My Needle' designs that have been stitched and are on display at the Needlework Gallery -



WMN:KIND - Kind and True



WMN:BHPRIMER - Blue House Needle Primer



WMN:HUSWIF - Mrs. Waddelow's Huswif



WMN:QU - Quaker Samplings (over one thread)



WMN:REM - Remember Me Sewing Pocket (Front & Back views)



And finally, a work in progress: WMN:FEMALE - Of Female Arts

In addition to all of Ellen's designed samplers hanging on the walls of her office, there was also an antique cabinet containing all the other items she has designed needlebooks, huswifs, etui's, needlework boxes, scissor fobs and more





An amazing collection - and of course, all so beautiful.

Ellen has been given a wonderful gift.

We are so fortunate that she has shared her awesome talent with us all so that we can recreate the wonderful pieces she has designed. - 3 -

And finally, up against the last wall in her office is a bookcase on which are the most fantastic needlework books! A wonderful library.

And - all so neatly stacked and categorised.



As per my previous blog - I really cannot find the words to adequately describe all the beautiful needlework on display and the gracious, elegant home in which they are housed.

Only one more day in Cincinnati with Ellen & Tom - Thursday, the 11th of May -

In the morning Ellen and I spent some time together - stitching, chatting and enjoying one another's company and in the afternoon whilst Ellen caught up on some tasks I went for a walk around the area in which they live.

A beautiful place. All homes are surrounded by a golf course, huge trees, streets fenced with white railings. So peaceful.



What a wonderful time I had experienced in the USA and what a wonderful welcome home.

I am truly blessed.

Bye for now.



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That evening Ellen, Tom and myself went to the golf clubhouse for dinner.

Very nice dinner and very nice surroundings!

Next day (Friday), hugs and kisses again as we said our farewells and I flew from Cincinnati to Houston, to Auckland, to Napier, arriving at home the following Sunday -Mothers' Day and my birthday to more kisses and hugs (this time from Keith).