



SEWING SCISSORS KEEP ~ IT'S BEEN QUITE A JOURNEY

15 August 2026

Dear Needlework Friends,

It's been a busy few weeks since returning home from the Embroidery Guild Conference in Palmerston North at the beginning of July. It was such a lovely time meeting up and chatting with so many of you. Sincerely appreciated the time you spent sitting with me. Especially loved all the hugs and kisses and expressions of love. Thank you.



Sewing Scissors Keep

The first task once home was to collect the frames from my framer so that Keith could frame my finished pieces. Then another day to set up the back-drop and the photographing of them, several more days finalising the instructions, creating the layouts of each design and then typing them up. I have visited my printer three times over the last couple of weeks. Two designs completed ready for release and another will be ready this coming week. One of these designs is featured in this newsletter - Sewing Scissors Keep. Three versions of a pouch to hold your sewing scissors. I stitched these pieces before the flood and afterwards found them some time later buried in the residual wet sticky smelly mud. Firstly hosed all these pieces with the hose and then hand-washed them. They are okay but rather crumpled/wrinkled, the fabric a bit discoloured in places and the thread colours not as vibrant as when originally stitched. Lost all notes and charts and so have had to rewrite and re-chart.

With exception of the three sewing scissors keeps, I had a tally-up of how many of my own designs I've stitched and published since the flood - seventeen. Even amazed myself! That's almost one design every two months since we moved into this home in September 2023. Have to confess that I didn't feel like stitching for the six months after the flood. Was too shocked and heart-broken. Also, to begin with, didn't have any needlework supplies apart from what so many kind and thoughtful persons graciously gifted. Besides my own designs, have also managed to stitch several JBW & GigiR designs. So - I guess my hands have been busy.

Again, thank you to all the ladies who have been taking part in the 'Shades of Teal' project. It has been enjoyable receiving all the photos of your progress. Another few photos in this newsletter. Each participant has chosen their own colour palette and not the colours as per my original design. Great to see. Immensely impressed with Jenny's achievements -- she is stitching two versions of the design - one for herself and the other for her sister.

Mid-Winter Challenge: Christmas in July. Did you take up the challenge? Do you need help with finishing or ideas for finishing? Special afternoon for this - Wednesday, 19 August : 1pm - 4pm. Details of what to bring, costings, etc. in this newsletter.

September is coming and therefore, Sampler September month. The month when needleworkers throughout the world who LOVE samplers begin a new sampler. As mentioned in my last newsletter - I needed to design my 2026 sampler. Pleased to convey that I have designed a piece, but not stitched it as yet. Would you like to join me and stitch it with me over the next six months? One part each month. Read further to learn more.

I sincerely hope you enjoy reading this newsletter and are inspired by what you see.

Love & blessings, your needlework friend,

Shereilyn



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NEW - Barberry Row Designs



Sewing Scissors Keep

A wonderful needlework accessory

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A pouch in which to keep your large pair of sewing scissors

Safe from damage and safe from others
who wish to use them for alternative purposes
to their intended purpose!

SNC Version

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*Silk 'n Colors by The Thread Gatherer
& DMC Stranded Cottons*

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SNC 239 - Turkey Feathers

315 : 833 : 3346 : 3721 : 3807 : 3830

STITCH COUNT: 67w x 205h

FINISHED SIZE: 4.25" x 10" (11cm x 26cm) - on 32 count

STITCH TECHNIQUES: Cross Stitch, Algerian Eyelets,
Four-Sided Stitch, Running Stitch & Backstitch

Printed Design : \$ 40.00 / PDF Download : \$ 35.00

Sewing Scissors Keep



MONO Version

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Sampler Threads by *The Gentle Art*

& DMC Stranded Cottons

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SAM 0980 - Lagoon

500 : 501 : 3847

STITCH COUNT: 67w x 205h

FINISHED SIZE: 4.25" x 10" (11cm x 26cm) - on 32 count

STITCH TECHNIQUES: Cross Stitch, Algerian Eyelets,
Four-Sided Stitch, Running Stitch & Backstitch



[SHOP - Sampler Threads & Simply Shaker Sampler Threads](#)



OPEN POUCH Version

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Sampler Threads by *The Gentle Art*

& DMC Stranded Cottons

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SAM 0312 - Currant

814 : 902

STITCH COUNT: 67w x 158h

FINISHED SIZE: 4.25" x 10" (11cm x 26cm) - on 32 count

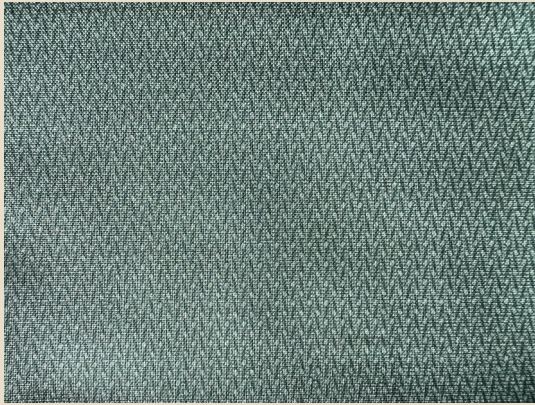
STITCH TECHNIQUES: Cross Stitch, Algerian Eyelets,
Four-Sided Stitch, Running Stitch & Backstitch



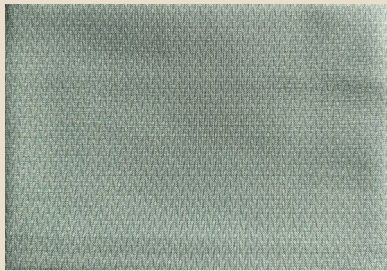
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NEW: Finishing Fabrics



FLORBBG - Blue Bottle Green



FLORMG - Mint Green



FLORB - Beige



TINYG - Tiny Green Flowers

New to the Gallery fabrics
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Suitable for lining a needlework project bag
or
as a backing fabric
for a needlework small or ornamental

FAT QUARTER ~ \$9.00

METRE ~ \$35.00



TINYB - Tiny Beige Flowers



TINYP - Tiny Pink Flowers

FINISHING FABRICS

PROJECT: *Sampler September*

September is the month the world remembers and recognises
the importance & significance of sampler makers
and the samplers they created throughout history
by needlewomen of today beginning a sampler
at the beginning of the month of September

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Each year since 2022 I have designed a sampler that features several alphabets of different styles
and various antique sampler motifs or patterns worked in cross stitch,
rows or areas of decorative needlework stitches
and a quote, an antique sampler verse or words of my own choosing.

Sherelyn's September Sampler ~ 2026



Design Materials :

Fabric: Permin Linen (40 count) - Lambswool

Threads: DMC Stranded Cotton -

520 : 543 : 778 : 779 : 793

3033 : 3052 : 3053 : 3687 : 3688 : 3689 : 3802

Stitch Count: 196w x 246h

Design Size: 9.8" x 12.3"

Techniques: Cross Stitch, Satin Stitch, Smyrna Cross,
Eyelets, Four-Sided Stitch, Buttonhole & Backstitch

2026 Sampler Verse

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*Friendship and flowers
brighten any day*

Presenting this year's sampler as a six monthly project
Would you like to participate?

Details of the costings and how to participate
available before the beginning of September

Please email - barberryrow@outlook.co.nz
- to register your interest - NO obligation

Previous Sherelyn's September Samplers



[VIEW - SEPTEMBER SAMPLERS & OTHER SAMPLERS](#)

WORKSHOP: Christmas Challenge Finishing

Christmas in July

Did you begin and finish a Christmas design during the month of July?
Do you need help with finishing or ideas for finishing your needlework piece?
If so, join me

WHEN: Wednesday, 19 August 2026

WHAT TIME: 1pm - 4pm

WHAT COST: \$20.00

(finishing supplies - interfacing, batting, stuffing, etc. supplied)

WHERE: 9 Cumberland Rise, Taradale, Napier

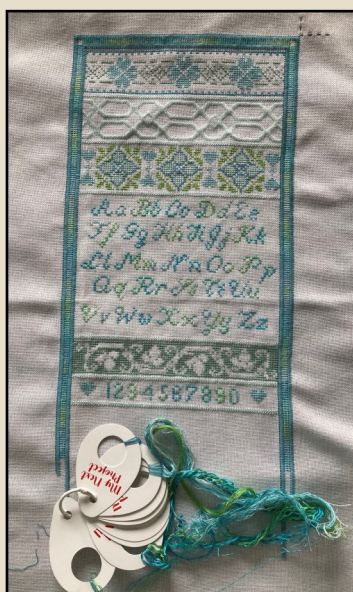
WHAT TO BRING: Your needlework piece, thread for creating cords and/or tassels,
scissors, pins, sewing needles, pencil or biro & paper,
piece of cardboard (NOT light weight. Weight = back of a writing pad)

NOTE: You are welcome if you wish to finish other pieces of needlework and would like a little guidance

To register - please email me: barberryrow@outlook.co.nz

PROGRESS - Shades of Teal

More images of the progress by some of the ladies participating in this project
Thank you for sharing your progress.



Jenny - Tauranga

These two samplers are both being stitched by Jenny.
Sampler for herself (on the left) - SNC 993 - Irish Blues
& the other for her sister - SNC 056 : Mermaid Shimmer

Joy - Havelock North
SNC 071 : Lavender Blues

Mary - Hastings
SNC 991 : Thistle Garden
*Note: Mary chose her green thread to work the Assisi area.
Lovely adaptation, Mary*

DESIGN SPOTLIGHT



D ... is for Dreams

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Finish as an ornamental
Or as a pincushion

This design published some time ago.

~ Exclusive ~

Special Price on this design for a limited time

A thank you for reading the newsletter
and being a part of the
Barberry Row & Heirlooms
Needlework Family



Printed Design : \$ 15.00 (excl. postage) / PDF : \$ 10.00



~ D ... is for Dreams ~



FABRIC: Belfast Linen - 32 count - Raw (#053) : 7" x 8" (18cm x 20cm) - two pieces

THREADS: DMC Stranded Cotton - Ecu : 794 : 977 : 3362

DMC - Coton Perle #12 : Ecu

EMBELLISHMENTS: Charm : *Live Your Dream* (gold or pewter)

Tassel : Decorative - pre-made (optional)

STITCH COUNT: 66w x 76h

DESIGN SIZE: 4" x 5" (10.5cm x 12.5cm)

TECHNIQUES: Satin Stitch, Cross Stitch, Smyrna Cross, Rhodes Heart & Backstitch



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(name, address, phone number)

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Heirlooms Needlework Gallery

9 Cumberland Rise • Taradale • Napier

Dates & Hours : 2nd & 4th Fridays of a month

11am - 3pm

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Other Times - Telephone or Text for an Appointment

Phone: 027 649 8817

Please do not leave a message



You are welcome to stitch with me on the days that the gallery is open.

Bring your needlework project & your lunch. Tea & coffee available.

AMENDMENT : The Needlework Gallery WILL NOT be open ~ Friday, 9 October 2026

and no HOME SWEET HOME Stitch Day ~ Sunday, 11 October 2026

Melissa and I will be at the STITCH TUI needlework weekend at Cambridge

with all the Barberry Row designs and Barberry Row needlework items

We look forward to seeing you there if you too are attending this event

UPCOMING EVENTS / DATES TO REMEMBER

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Heirlooms Needlework Gallery : Open & Stitch Day	Friday	28 August	11am - 3pm
NATTER DAY	Sunday	30 August	11am - 3pm
Heirlooms Needlework Gallery : Open & Stitch Day	Friday	11 & 25 September	11am - 3pm
HOME SWEET HOME *	Sunday	13 September	11am - 3pm
NATTER DAY	Sunday	27 September	11am - 3pm

* Special Stitch Day for those stitching this project. Also open day for whoever would like to stitch their own project.

IF YOU ARE IN THE AREA, YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME TO JOIN US FOR THESE IN-GALLERY EVENTS



*Thank you for being a part of our Barberry Row & Heirlooms Needlework Family
and your loyal support. Sincerely appreciated.*

Sherelyn

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Sherelyn*





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Love What You Do



A Mini Sampler

(worked over one fabric thread with one strand of thread)

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Simply Shaker Sampler Thread by *The Gentle Art*

SAM 7014 - Antique Rose

& DMC Stranded Cotton - 3731

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FABRIC: Permin Linen - 28 count - China Pearl

STITCH COUNT: 149w x 958h

FINISHED SIZE: 3.4" x 5.35" (8cm x 14cm) - on 28 count

STITCH TECHNIQUES: Cross Stitch, Algerian Eyelets,
Smyrna Cross & Backstitch

Printed Design : \$ 25.00 (excl. postage) / PDF : \$ 20.00

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