



HOMESCHOOL SAMPLER

A simple counted cross-stitch design for your hands and heart.







Finished Size of Design Area: 72 sts w x 50 sts h; 5.75"w x 4"h (15cm x 10cm) on 25-count fabric



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"Develop a passion for learning. If you do, you will never cease to grow."

— Anthony J. D'Angelo

I thought this sampler would be a good first project for someone just learning to stitch. If you are an inexperienced cross-stitcher, please see my tutorial on the basics of counted cross stitch at aliciapaulson.com/pages/cross-stitch-tutorial.html .

Sample done on:

- 25-count Lugana from Wichelt in Pewter
- Ginnie Thompson Flower Thread (conversion given to 6-ply DMC cotton embroidery floss in colors shown in Color Key)

Color Key:

Ginnie Thompson Flower Thread (GTFT) is not as readily available as DMC floss, so I've given conversions for both threads. Use 3 plies of DMC floss or 2 plies of GTFT over 2 threads of Lugana.

	DMC Color Name	DMC#	GTFT #
V	Garnet, medium	815	250
lacktriangle	Rosewood, dark	3857	255
0	Dusty Rose, very light	3326	260
f	Raspberry, light	3833	280
•••	Blue Green	502	457
•	Pine Green	3364	448
<	Fern Green	522	466
	Avocado Green, dark	935	470
×	Black	310	900
%	Beaver Gray, light	648	810
>	Hazelnut Brown, very dark	869	735
∞	Old Gold, very light	677	300
S	Peach, very light	948	200

How to read a cross-stitch chart, and begin stitching:

In a cross-stitch chart, each box represents one pair of crossed stitches. The piece of fabric includes an (approximate) 3" (8cm) margin on each side. To start, find the center of the chart (follow the lines indicated by the black arrows) and the center of the fabric (fold the fabric lengthwise and crosswise; the intersection is the center) and begin stitching (or counting from) there.

If you choose to substitute fabrics, here are the sizes you can expect for your finished design:

	Fabric count	Finished size of design area
8-	count Aida	9" x 6.25" (23cm x 16cm)
11-	-count Aida	6.5" x 4.5" (17cm x 11cm)
28	3-count linen	5" x 3.5" (12cm x 9cm)
32	2-count linen	4.5" x 3" (11cm x 8cm)

Enjoy!

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With best wishes for happy stitches,

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