301: A Summer Day!

Skill Level: Intermediate

Technique: 17th Century Sampler Stitching on linen,

counted thread.

Design Area: 5.1-inches wide by 8.7-inches high worked on 35-count linen (cut fabric size is: 11-inches wide by 15-inches high). 6-inches wide by 10.1-inches high worked on 30-count linen (cut fabric size is: 12-inches wide by 16-inches high). Student will have choice of linen count.

Teacher: Eileen Bennett

Kit Cost: \$55

Kit Contents: Linen fabric, DMC floss, DMC white Special Dentelles, needles, a 25-page instructional manual which includes charting, stitch diagrams with instruction sheets, photo, washing instructions and a two-page history of Embroidery Pattern Books 1523-1700. In addition, a three-page bibliography of "Samplers and Sampler Making" will be given to each student.

A soft antique-white-colored linen background teams with beautiful jewel-toned threads to brightly color an embroidered summer field bursting with strawberry vines and flower designs. Reaching back to the richly embellished era of 17th century England, this sampler was inspired by Richard Shorleyker's popular 1632 penstroke book of blackwork designs which lavishly decorated clothing and household textiles of the time period. 21 'olde sampler' stitches are used to capture fond memories of A Summer Day!

