

# Favoured Shades Sampler



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Progress 5 ~ Part 5

As I began my last progress update - where, oh where, did the last six months go?

Once again, this progress report will not be as comprehensive as previous ones or as per *The Mystery Sampler* ones, as so many of you have already finished your sampler, but some of you have not and so this and the final progress update to follow are for you.

I am beginning this progress update with a photo of Alison's partially worked sampler as she has chosen to replace the alphabet with a verse that reads,

"Digging in the garden  
Digging like a mole  
Hopeless for the manicure  
Great for the soul"

and then added a vase of flowers beside the words. Very creative, Alison of Taradale! Alison had to farewell her faithful friend and companion - her dog named, Monty - last year and so she added his name and the years he was with her (1999 - 2014).

## Now on to Part Five -

**Area Eighteen:** I am sure you will not have had a problem with the Four-Sided stitch as you previously worked this earlier in Area Five of your sampler and I hope you did not find it too stressful to chart your own words if you decided to change them.

**Area Nineteen:** I know many of you have been anxious about working this area, but please don't be, as I also know some of the ladies who were anxious and overcame their anxiety to work it, loved doing it in the end and were so pleased with their efforts. If you are anxious, tackle this at a time when there are no distractions and I assure you that all will be well. And even if you do make a little mistake by not counting correctly - all is not lost! One of my lovely customers miscounted - to rectify the situation she changed the pattern to work inside the filet area to a large heart in the centre and two smaller ones either side - and the result looked awesome! One's eye was caught by the heart designs and not that the whole area was two threads closer to one edge of the sampler than the other. (I did take a photo for you - but I cannot find it on my camera. I must have accidentally deleted it!)

**Area Twenty:** Once again, I'm sure that the Four-Sided stitch rows were no problem and the charting of your name not too much of a challenge. It's amazing how the addition of a Rhodes Heart or a Rhodes Square or a Diamond Stitch or an Eyelet can avert the eye from any miscounting.



My final progress update  
I will send in a few days time.  
Till then, I sincerely hope you are  
continuing to enjoy creating your  
own unique sampler.

*Sherelyn*