Trust is a Virtue Ornament

Merry Christmas 2003 ~ This ornament was designed last year for Just Cross Stitch to match the Christmas Virtues chart. This chart is still available in our catalogue! The red and green colours are first (antique colours in brackets) Note: There are possible substitutions indicated if you need them.

Traditional Christmas Colours
Design area: 40h x 40w (3.3” x 3.3”)
Cut fabric: 25ct Lugana White (6” X 6” for ornament)

Symbols Materials
- Kreinik #4 Braid #102 – vatican gold
- NN #8 Perle Cotton #81941 - passion flower (sub. Soie #1843)
- Au ver a Soie/Soie d’Alger Floss #1843 – soft greens
- Au ver a Soie/Soie d’Alger Floss #4635 – burgandy
- Mill Hill Antique Glass Beads #3021 - creme
- Soie Perlee #589 - taupe - (substitution: #4 Braid #102)
- Soie Perlee #108 soft greens - (substitution: Soie #1843)
- DMC Floss #3033 – platinum
- Au ver a Soie/Soie d’Alger #1844 – dark green

Antique Christmas Colours
Cut fabric: 28ct Cashel Linen Platinum (6” X 6” for ornament)

Symbols Materials
- Kreinik #4 Braid #102 – metallic gold
- Caron Wildflowers “Pineforest” – deep greens
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- DMC #8 Perle Cotton #498 – red
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- Mill Hill Antique Glass Beads #3021 - creme
- Soie Perlee #108 soft greens - (substitution: Soie #1843)
- Kreinik #4 Braid #002 – metallic gold
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- Mill Hill Antique Glass Beads #3021 - creme
- Soie Perlee #37 – dusty rose
- Soie Perlee #108 - soft greens (substitution: Soie #1843)
- DMC Floss #3033 – platinum
- Au ver a Soie/Soie d’Alger #1844 – dark green

INSTRUCTIONS:

FILIGREE BORDER: Cross Stitch metallic border using 1 strand Kreinik #4 Braid #102 gold (#102 vatican gold).

1. ANGEL: Cross Stitch the Angel using 1 strand of Kreinik #4 Braid #1002 gold (Kreinik #4 Braid #102 vatican gold). Attach Mill Hill Antique Beads #3021 creme using 1 strand of DMC Floss white (DMC Floss #3033 platinum) as shown on Main Chart. Use 1 strand of Kreinik #4 Braid #1002 gold (Kreinik #4 Braid #102 vatican gold) to backstitch halo and heart hanger.

2. HOLLY AND BERRIES: Use 1 strand of Wildflowers “Pineforest” deep greens (2 strands of Au ver a Soie #1843 soft greens) to Cross Stitch holly. Work French Knot berries using 1 strand DMC #8 Perle Cotton #498 red (2 strands of Au ver a Soie #4635 burgandy). Refer to Main Chart for placement. There are two unworked fabric threads between this band and the next.

3. LETTERING: Use 1 strand of DMC Floss #500 dark green (Au ver a Soie #1844 dark green), to backstitch lettering. Following Main Chart, Cross Stitch as shown, using 1 strand Kreinik #4 Braid #1002 gold (#102 vatican gold). There are two unworked fabric threads between this band and the next.

4. ALGERIAN EYELETS AND OBLONG CROSS STITCH: Use 1 strand #12 Perle Cotton #503 light green to work Algerian Eyelets (Soie Perlee #589 taupe). Work Oblong Cross Stitch between each Algerian Eyelet using 1 strand of DMC Floss #500 dark green (Au ver a Soie #4635 burgandy). There are two unworked fabric threads between this band and the next.

5. HALF CROSS STITCH: Use 1 strand #12 Perle Cotton white (Soie Perlee #creme) for the half cross stitches across centre and to the top of circle following Main Chart. There are two unworked fabric threads between this band and the next.

6. LAZY DAISY POINSETTIA: Refer to Placement Diagram for placement of Poinsettia. Cross Stitch: Use 1 strand of Kreinik #4 Braid #002 gold (#102 vatican gold) to Cross Stitch centres of Poinsettias. Cross Stitch above and below Poinsettias using 1 strand of Wildflowers “Pineforest” (NN #8 Perle Cotton #81941 passion flower). Lazy Daisy Poinsettia: Work 8 Lazy Daisies around centre gold Cross Stitch with 1 strand DMC #8 Perle Cotton #498 red (Soie Perlee #37 dusty rose).

7. HALF CROSS STITCH BAND: Using 1 strand of DMC #12 Perle Cotton white (Soie Perlee #creme) work half cross stitch across center of circle following Main Chart. There are two unworked fabric threads between this band and the next.

8. PARTIAL RICE STITCH AND PARTIAL DIAMOND EYELET: Use 1 strand of DMC #12 Perle Cotton #503 light green (Soie Perlee #589 taupe) to work large Cross Stitch over fabric threads. Then using 1 strand of Wildflowers “Pineforest” (Soie Perlee #108 soft greens) work diagonal Straight Stitches over two fabric threads across the bottom right and upper left of large Cross Stitch. Then stitch the Partial Diamond Eyelets at the beginning and end of Rice Stitch row using 1 strand of Kreinik #4 Braid #1002 gold (#102 vatican gold). Use 1 strand of Kreinik #4 Braid #1002 gold (#102 vatican gold) to work Straight Stitches between each Rice Stitch. Work Stem Stitch from left to right across bottom of circle using 1 strand of Wildflowers “Pineforest” (NN #8 Perle Cotton #81941 passion flower). There are two unworked fabric threads between this band and the next.

9. FLORAL BAND: Use 1 strand of DMC #8 Perle Cotton #498 (2 strands Au ver a Soie #4635 burgandy) to Cross Stitch following Main Chart. Backstitch stems and bow using 1 strand of DMC Floss #500 dark green (Au ver a Soie #1844 dark green).

FINISHING SUGGESTIONS: Ornament: cut two pieces of matboard about 1/8 larger than stitched design. Glue quilt batting on each, let dry and trim. Center the design over batting and anchor with straight pins. Clip curving corners, glue raw edges on back. Repeat on other matboard using a fabric of your choice. Glue both pieces wrong sides together. Glue cording around outside edges to finish off. Greeting Card: apply a piece of iron-on interfacing to the back, trim the fabric to size and insert.