BAUBLES AND CANDLES FREE CHRISTMAS PROJECT

WHAT YOU WILL NEED

A rigid heddle loom (any size is fine if you just want to weave the sample. <u>A 7.5 dent heddle</u> <u>A threading/reed hook</u> A stick shuttle wider than the width of your weaving A pick up stick wider than the width of your weaving <u>A tapestry needle</u>

YARN OPTIONS

For my warp I used a light worsted/dk weight wool in white. I used this same yarn for my plain weave. The same yarn, but in different colours was used for the pattern weft. Please see the video for colours used. For embellishments, I used small amounts of DMC embroidery floss.

Sampler Specifications:

If you wanted to weave a sampler just like mine, here are the basic measurements.

Number of ends: 64 (32 slots)

Approximate width on loom: 8"

Sett: 7.5

Total warp length: 35"

The baubles and candles use the same overshot weaving technique as my reindeer, snowmen, gift boxes and winter trees.

There is a pattern weft that forms the picture or design, and in between every pattern pick is a plain weave pick (either an up or a down shed).

Weaving Instructions:

The Baubles –

I left a border either side of my designs in order to centre them and make sure that none were inadvertently cut in half! I left 6 threads on each side. This is optional, and you an adjust the border threads to suit. I'm not including the border threads in the weaving steps, but if you watch the video you won't have any trouble following along with these instructions.

Remember that you need to weave a plain weave row in between every pattern weft.

<u>Step 1</u>. 6 up, 2 down, *7 up, 2 down, repeat from * (7 up, 2 down for the rest of the way across)

Step 2. *5 up, 4 down, repeat from *

Step 3. 4 up, 6 down, *3 up, 6 down, repeat from *

Step 4. Repeat row 3, with a contrast colour

Step 5. Repeat row 3, with the original colour

Step 6. *5 up, 4 down, repeat from *

Step 7. Repeat row 1

The Candles:

For the candles, I left a border either side of 5 threads instead of 6, to work in better with the required calculations for the design.

Step 1. *4 down, 4 up, repeat from *

<u>Step 2</u>. Repeat row 1, alternating plain weave rows with pattern rows.

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