

# The Gardener

Garden Club

Series #9

# Blackbird Designs

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the Garden Club series.

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## Symbols

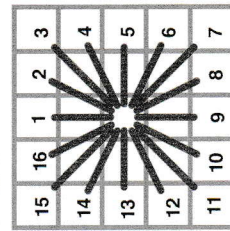
- + GA Aged Pewter (DMC 926)
- ◆ GA Antique Rose (DMC 3722)
- ! GA Apple Cider (DMC 612)
- / GA Apricot Blush (DMC 3774)
- ▼ GA Burlap (DMC 831)
- ▲ GA Endive (DMC 3011)
- x GA Grasshopper (DMC 370)
- GA Heirloom Gold (DMC 869)
- v GA Linen (DMC 950)
- ♥ GA Old Red Paint (DMC 221)
- GA Terra Cotta (DMC 3859)
- GA Tin Bucket (DMC 3768)
- ▷ GA Toasted Barley (DMC 647)
- GA Wheat Fields (DMC 436)

GA - Gentle Arts Threads

**Design Size:** 65W x 65H

**Fabric:** 32ct. Parchment by Weeks Dye Works

**Sampler Size:** 4" x 4"



Eyelet stitch  
over 4 linen  
threads

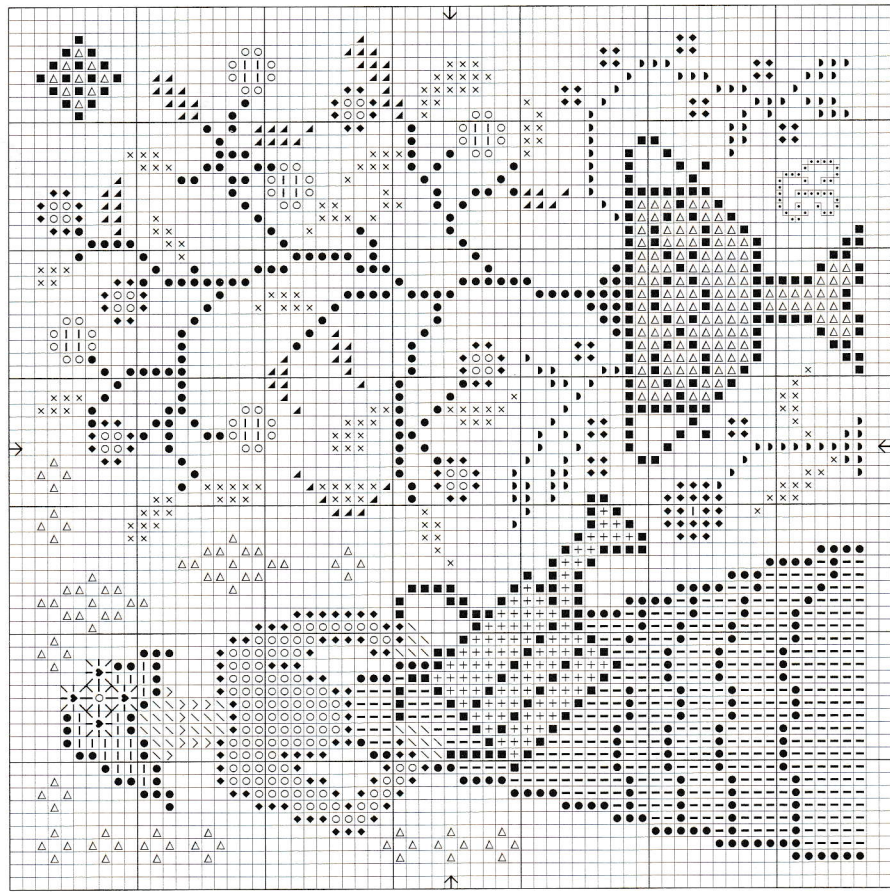
*Welcome to our Garden Club! One of the most pleasant places to be in the garden, either weeding, watering or just enjoying the bloom of flowers and the new growth of the plants.*

*We offer several ways to finish this project. On the back cover, you will find The Gardener made into a pin-cushion. The instructions for the pin-cushion are located on the last page of this pattern. But if you'd rather, you can wait and stitch all 12 projects into one large sampler.*

*The alphabet and numerals are provided on the inside back cover for your convenience.*

## Instructions

- Cross stitch with 2 strands of floss over 2 linen threads.
- Stitch the eyelet stitch with 2 strand of floss over 2 linen threads. The color of floss used is noted inside the stitch on the chart.
- Use the alphabet provided on the inside back cover of the pattern to personalize your piece. Stitch the initial with one strand of floss over one linen thread.



## Finishing instructions

- If you are stitching all 12 projects into one large sampler, sew the first three Garden Club pieces together.
- Pin in place, and follow the thread to the bottom. Pin again, and blind stitch to join. Use a thread matching the piece on top. Trim away the excess linen leaving a 1/4" seam allowance. Leave 6 - 10 stitches between each sampler. Whatever number of stitches you choose, remain consistent when sewing them all together. Sew the sampler blocks into rows of three, then join the rows together. Refer to the picture of the nine samplers sewn together on the back cover.