

Thomas Beutel:Original Counted Cross-stitch Designs



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Overview

Thomas Beutel Original Counted Cross-stitch Designs uniquely render selected landscapes and landmarks from the US and UK as well as Americana-style rural primitives, bookmarks, and holiday themes. These designs generally use blended colors, petite and other partial stitches, and single strand floss to capture the detail and subtlety of the subject. Cross-blending - using two different color single strand flosses, one in one direction and one in the other - provides smooth, subtle blending in backgrounds such as skies and is unique to Thomas Beutel designs.

Design Techniques

Thomas Beutel patterns are designed using a combination of sketching, hand-plotting, and computer-assisted composition. Generally working from original photographs, the designer may use a photograph - or a portion of a photograph - as a guide to composition and color. In most designs, there is at least some portion which is hand-drawn. Patterns are not produced by doing a direct photo-to-pattern conversion. By employing manual techniques the designer is able to avoid the overly photographic look of patterns which are converted directly and can emphasize or abstract elements to produce a more artistic rendition.

History

Thomas Beutel has been designing counted cross-stitch patterns since 2002. Early designs were primarily displayed at local fairs. Since 2010 patterns have been sold online through two publishers, PatternsOnline.com and Crosstitch.com. Designs can be viewed at the designer's website: www.tbxstitch.com.

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