

“Old Crewel”

#762 — 28” x 55” — Heirloom
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We, my friend, Lyn Lovell, who is from Massachusetts and started me hooking in 1976, get together once a year and go to Maryland Shores for a week of hooking and “catching up.” I look forward to the get away to be with Lyn and also to just kick back and HOOK—no responsibilities—just HOOK! I also, very importantly, seek out my mentor and friend, Nancy Blood, when she is available, as my teacher. I say to Nancy, “What’ll we do this year?” and she or I choose a rug. Color Plan? “Do something dramatic, Nancy,” which she always does! Then, my dyeing, which I love, begins.

2008 was no different. “Old Crewel” is an exquisite old Heirloom Pattern and Nancy’s “all color” plan on the dark background is dramatic. I just sat back and hooked as Nancy laid out the colors for the great detail in each motif. Given my own busy teaching schedule at home—what a pleasure—one I look forward to each year and to my new rug. As with a good teacher, you always learn a great deal which you can carry into your own teaching. Rug hooking is like painting. There is always more to learn and new things to teach.

Unfortunately, Heirloom patterns have been unavailable for the last four to five years. Terri Quinn, who owns them, did a terrific printing job and was much to be commended. We can only hope for and encourage her to be able to make some arrangements to resume printing these designs—especially since some of us, like me, are “getting along in years!”

Nancy usually uses one set of formulas in a rug which ensures continuity in color values. In “Old Crewel” she chose mostly Ali Persons’ “other” formulas for the 8-value swatches plus lovely spots from her own dyebooks.

Formulas

Each formula will do four 8-value set of swatches using 12” x 14” pieces.

Red – Ali Persons 1 “Dark Red Rose” over Woolrich Scarlet 401

Orange – Ali Persons 105 “Hibiscus” over Dorr 456

Yellow – Ali Persons 107 “Bronze Gold” over Woolrich Lemon 385

Blue — Ali Persons “Morning Glory” over Dorr 6356

Purple – Ali Persons “Plum” over Woolrich Lavender 631

Green – Ali Persons “Rose Leaf” (omitting Cardinal) over: Dorr 101, 102, 142, 144
and 8218

Background — Background: Nancy’s Color Beauties Spot 186 “Antique Brown” over Dorr 1042

Spots — NCB Spot 1 “Tree Trunk” over 1 yard Dorr 8218

NCB Spot 32 “Green” over 1 yard Dorr 101

NCB Spot 182 “Cape Shore Crewel” over 1 yard Woolrich Seafoam 788



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