Pakita's embroidery charts

Serie I : Beiderwand collection

Beiderwand is an 18th century double weave technique from parts of Germany and Denmark. It means 'double sided' and the backside is the negative of the front. It is often pictorial and in a naive style that resembles the Modelbucher of 2 centuries before.

The portfolio "Schleswig'sche beiderwand" of 1909 contains 45 tables with samples of beiderwand from a museum. This series of publications consists of the charts of these samples.

Charts can be used for cross stitch or filet crochet. Historical alphabets are added so you can compose your own sampler. The larger charts are made of many smaller motifs that can be combined or used on their own.

The original patterns are repeating and mirrored. Sizes and charts are given for one mirrored repeat (charts are with a little overlap) but the pictures show what a repeating pattern looks like.

Enjoy your beiderwand project!