



Washington at Mt. Vernon

Date

1978

Primary Maker

Edward Larson

Medium

Cotton

Description

Pictorial quilt in solids and calico prints depicting a scene from Mount Vernon. At top is a large multicolored bird representing an American eagle that has outstretched wings and a shield-shaped body. Arrows and ivy leaves are clasped in its outstretched talons. Above it, a banner is outstretched, which reads "Washington at Mt. Vernon."

George is mounted on a rearing horse at bottom proper right. He holds a spyglass in his hand. Below the eagle is a depiction of Mount Vernon. To the right of Mt. Vernon is a stylized tree and a woman (Martha) in green is located below with a handkerchief waving in her hand. In the sky is a dove with an olive branch and a red bird. Framing the scene are ivy-like vines and branches with groups of small red fruit and yellow butterflies. Maker and designer's names and the place made are embroidered in the scalloped hem area. The reverse is a solid green cotton.

Dimensions

40 3/16 × 32 7/8 × 1 3/16 in. (102 × 83.5 × 3 cm)