

# Stitchers Hideaway!

## Thea Dueck of Victoria Sampler

### Mystic TWO 2013 Fun Report

The second wave of stitchers attending this Christmas-themed retreat with designer Thea Dueck of Victoria Sampler was no less enthusiastic and fun-loving than those at the [Mystic One 2013 retreat!](#) The party continued!!

Everyone dove into their Fun Packs of goodies from designers and companies -- [Bush Mountain Stitchery & Framing](#), Chris's Collection, [DMC](#), [Giulia Puntì Antichi](#), [Jeannette Douglas Designs](#), [Kreinik](#), Lavender Wings, [Nordic Needle](#), [Rosewood Manor](#), [Stitcher's Hideaway](#), [Tempting Tangles](#), [The Prairie Schooler](#), [ThreadworX](#), [Udder Cream](#), and [Victoria Sampler!](#)



We were all so thrilled with Thea's Mystic Christmas Sampler! We couldn't wait to dive right into it! Thea was SO helpful.

In addition to learning all the specialty stitches and techniques used in this stunning sampler, we also learned how to finish it as shown in this picture -- using fabric instead of a frame! Many of us are sure to use this finishing technique on many projects in the future.



We learned so much -- from Thea and each other. WE ARE AWESOME!



Linda and Marilyn



Mary Ann and Emma



Terre and Donna



Joanne





Barbara



Barb and Janice



OH, the door prizes we had!! WOW!!!!!!!!!! They were donated by [A Sweet Stitch](#), [Bush Mountain Stitchery & Framing](#), [Elizabeth's Designs](#), [Glory Bee](#), [Jeannette Douglas Designs](#), [Karen Capello](#), [Kreinik](#), [Nordic Needle](#), [Praiseworthy Stitches](#), [Rosewood Manor](#), [Stitcher's Hideaway](#), [ThreadworX](#), [Udder Cream](#), [With My Needle](#), and two friends of [Stitcher's Hideaway](#), [Denise McLoughlin](#) and [Karen Cappello](#).



Mary Ann with gift certificate from [123Stitch](#)



Christine with door prize from [Bush Mountain Stitchery](#)



Donna with door prize from 123Stitch



Emma with Gift Certificate from 123Stitch



Jen with door prize from Rosewood Manor



Janice with door prize from Denise McLoughlin



Terre with door prize from Nordic Needle



Marilyn with door prize from Rosewood Manor



Deb with door prize from Stitcher's Hideaway





Linda with door prize from With My Needle



Cathi with door prize from Stitcher's Hideaway



Joanne with door prize from Bush Mountain Stitchery



Virginia with door prize from Stitcher's Hideaway

We also had an optional Christmas-themed stitch exchange at this second retreat. Participants gift wrapped their hand stitching and then each one picked out a gift. There was a lot of creativity not only in the stitching, but in the gift wrap!



Cathi



Barbara







And he had gifts for all the good little stitchers, too!



Donna tried to explain her behavior over the past year!



He admired Lauren's work in progress!



Jen



Barbara



Joanne



Janice



Terre



Santa and Our Most Pregnant  
Stitcher Lauren!



Thea and I got in some more smooches with our buddy!

We had a great Show 'n Tell at this retreat, too!







Virginia



Cathi

Several members of the EGA (Embroiderer's Guild of America, Inc.), Southern Maine Chapter Chapter (SOME), attended the retreat and they set up a display of Quaker Balls and Quaker Pears designed by Amaryllis Artworks, which they made available to us for purchase. It was a great opportunity to get these amazing designs!







As at the Mystic ONE 2013 Retreat, each of the attendees at this retreat also received this little keepsake design from me. With our fun-filled Christmas-themed retreat, Thea's Mystic Christmas Sampler, our visit from Santa....we were all thinking that very soon it would be Christmas Day!



*“I just wanted to thank you for hosting such a lovely retreat. I truly had a great time, and learned a lot! Thea is such a nice teacher! Also, I wanted to thank you for my doorprize – “Call of a Mermaid” set. I am looking forward to finishing it! I almost have your Christmas design finished!” ~ Virginia*

What an amazing time Thea and I had with the wonderful stitchers at both of the retreats. We have many fond memories to cherish!

And now for some very exciting news!! Thea is going to return for another fun-filled Christmas-themed retreat on October 19-20, 2015 -- this time in Sturbridge, MA. She has designed a Christmas Retreat Cottage, another in her unique Gingerbread Series! I CAN HARDLY WAIT!!!

See you at the next retreat!

Sue

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