

Barley Corn

Barley Corn is Spot Bronson (see entry) with the pattern pick of a larger and loftier yarn (gold in the sample), 2 or 3 times the tabby threads (blue in the sample). The tabby weft is the same size

and usually color as the warp.

In the drawdown on the left (sinking shed loom), the tabby is shown in lighter blue to make the plain weave more visible. At the bottom of the drawdown we see that plain weave can be woven across the fabric, but not along the length of the cloth.

The front of the fabric is on the left, the back on the right. This particular example is “Detail from Flowers of Caanan” from *A Handweaver’s Pattern Book* by Marguerite Porter Davison where there is an entire chapter on Barley Corn.

