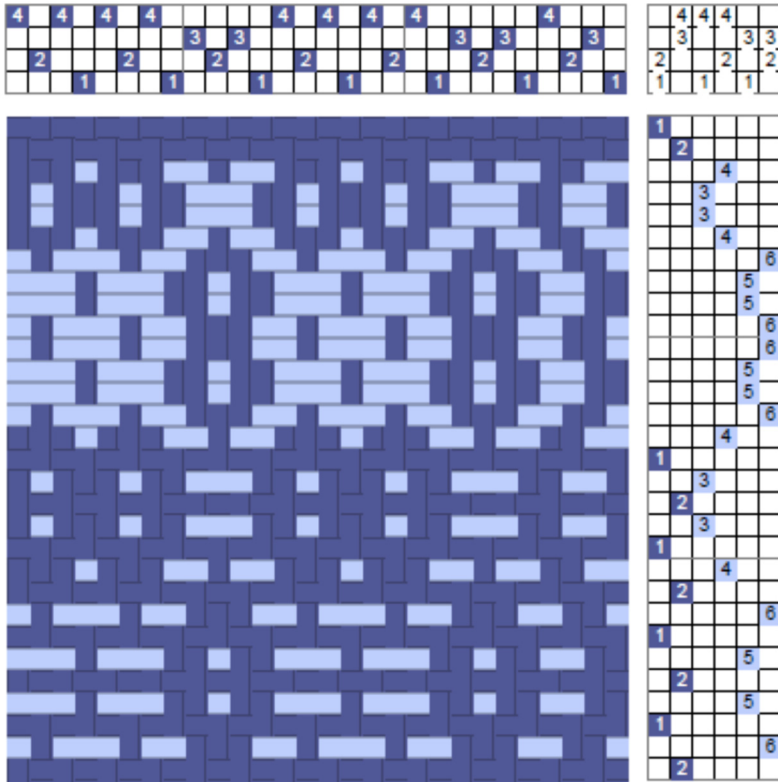


Summer and Winter – Paired x’s

Summer and Winter (see entries, *singles* and *Blocks*) can be treadled by pairing each pattern shot



with each tabby, giving the sequence the name “paired”.

There are two paired possibilities: paired o’s (see entry) and paired x’s. In the paired x’s, described here, the floats in the blocks form small crosses (see drawdown and fabric below), giving the treadling its name; however, the background forms o’s, thus the two methods should not be confused: it’s the motifs in the blocks that define the name.

The treadling sequence for each

block is eight shots long to give the combination of each pattern shot with each tabby, but the shots of each block are the same as in the single summer and winter: 1 & 4 and 2 & 4 for block A, 1 & 3 and 2 & 3 for block B.

In the drawdown above, the first 4 threads are for the selvage. The top portion of the treadling is for the block sequence, showing the characteristic x’s. The bottom portion shows how the sequence of picks is used in weaving with the tabbies. Generally, if a block is threaded twice, as it is the case here for B in the drawdown and fabric, it is treadled twice.

