2-NameDrafts

Doing a Namedraft is a method of creating an original draft. You will not see letters.

There are several methods for creating namedrafts.

Namedrafts are usually woven as small overshot patterns.

Namedrafts produce 4-block designs.

‘Let’s do a namedraft.’ will be used to illustrate the various methods.
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Method #1

- A = 1, 2
- B = 3, 2
- C = 3, 4
- D = 1, 4

Distribute the alphabet, etc. into 4 columns.

Since there are many ways to do this, there are many starting points.
Let’s do a namedraft.

Use the above phrase to create a namedraft pattern. For ‘L’ substitute 1,4; then for ‘e’ substitute 1,2. Continue to the end of the phrase.
Here the threading is entered into a weaving program (graph paper substitute)

Next, review overshot treadlings.

Madleyn van der Hoogt: *Complete Book of Drafting*
Finding blocks: [http://weavenotes.net/overshot.htm](http://weavenotes.net/overshot.htm)

Block A=red; B=yellow; C=green; D=purple for colors.
The finished name draft.
This is a weft drawdown, and warp floats are not a problem because you ‘Use Tabby’ to weave the fabric.
Now the draft can be repeated or mirrored, etc. Then edit until you like the results.
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Method #2
Fiberworks has a namedraft tool

There are 6 alphabet schemes

Rose and Star fashion is available

The draft can be repeated in several ways.
Scheme A, star fashion, then rose fashion
Scheme B, star fashion, then rose fashion

Note that the threading changes with the scheme
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Scheme C, star fashion, then rose fashion
Scheme D, star fashion, then rose fashion
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Scheme E, star fashion, then rose fashion
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Scheme E, star fashion, then rose fashion
This is scheme E, rose fashion.
The repeat has been changed.
For each entry, there are 120 draft variations.
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- Weft → Weave As Drawn In
- For any entered threading, Overshot Style can be chosen to weave the blocks as drawn in.
- Ingrid Boesel is the weaver who chose the rules to use for this feature in Fiberworks.
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