**Caoilfhionn’s Favor**

The design is based on a previous favor design by Violet Gray, based on a pictish carving is a mermaid modified from a pictish carving now known as the “Meigle Mermaid”. To represent Caoilfhionn’s 3rd reign, a trident was added by Anastasia da Monte. Culann mac Cianain and Caoilfhionn together created this version, adding 2 loops to the mermaid’s tails to signify reign four.

Her Majesty encourages **creativity** in the creation of Her favors, and wishes for all to have **fun** with this project.

**Design:** A two-tailed mermaid a melusine), her tails are looped in knotwork style to create four loops. In her right hand is a trident.

**Elements:**

* Background: Bright royal blue, similar to DMC 824
* Artwork: The design can be done in any of the following manners, at the discretion of the artist
  + As an outline
  + As a filled design
  + White mermaid with Gold (DMC 3852 or metallic) trident
  + “Natural” colors akin to green (DMC 702) tail, brown (DMC 300) hair, beige-pink (DMC 543) skin, with gold (DMC 3852 or metallic) trident

**Techniques:** Embroidery (hand or machine), paint, applique, silkscreen, fabric stamping, metalwork, beadwork, leatherwork, or other techniques. Creativity is encouraged! Have fun!

**Dimensions:** Finished favor should be approximately 4” wide by 8” long including belt loop.

**Construction:**

* Each favor can be constructed as a single layer of fabric or as a more sturdy fully-backed piece.
  + Single layer: cut fabric to 5” by 12” and do a narrow rolled hem on all 4 sides
  + Fully-backed favors:
    - two 5” by 12” pieces stitched together, turned right-side out and the opening stitched shut
    - one 10” by 12” piece, stitched down the long side into a tube, flattened, stitched across the bottom, turned right-side out, and the opening stitched shut
  + Before adding the belt loop, the pieces should be approximately 4” wide by 11” long with finished edges
  + Fold over about 3” and stitch down to make a belt loop

**Delivery:**

* **Mail to** Martha bean ui Bhradaigh:

Martha Brunelle

14 Kingston Avenue

Port Jervis, NY 12771

* **In-person delivery** to Martha, handed to any of Caoilfhionn’s retainers, or dropped off at the Royal Room.

Please include a note with your SCA name, your modern name and mailing address with any favors you give.

*Her Majesty greatly appreciates your help in creating Her favors – Thank You!*