

# sun thread

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*Alice Major*

solstice                      sun stitched  
to the high point of the sky    gold knot

chain stitch    daisy change  
small neat foot prints

lilac leads to lily            step by step  
through iris    philadelphus    fat sweet peony

soul stitched into earth        by breath  
the constant pouring forth of odour

feathered edges            grass's blanket stitch  
lie down in its covering

running-stitch days    so long  
so fast                      sun's flashing needle

leaves woven with satin lines  
and seed stitch scattered everywhere