

Basic Detail Report

Title United States Flag

Date 1865-1867

Primary Maker Sarah Walker Adams

Medium Machine-stitched; plain woven wool and cotton, twill woven cotton

header, brass

Description American flag consisting of 36 stars and 13 red and white stripes.

The 13 alternating horizontal red and white stripes are sewn together and begin with a red stripe at the top and end with a red stripe at the bottom with the canton resting on a white stripe. The canton is two pieces of blue wool sewn together horizontally in the center and containing 36 double appliquéd white cotton stars. The stars are arranged in six rows of six with the orientation of the points of the stars being up. The header is machine-stitched to the hoist end of the flag and contains a brass grommet at the top and bottom. The original wool of the bottom edge of the flag is a selvage edge while repairs done to the bottom of the flag now have a hem to the reverse side of the flag. The material original to the fly end of the flag is hemmed to the front side of the flag while the material used for repairs is hemmed to the reverse side of the flag. The top of the canton is a selvage while the top of the stripe is a hem to the front side of the flag. Printed in the upper corner of the front side of the header and now very faded is "S.W. Adam" in ink.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width): 48 x 68in. (121.9 x 172.7cm)

Other (canton height x width): 25 x 32in. (63.5 x 81.3cm)