

Title Chemise

Date about 1800-1825

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Hand-stitched linen

Basic Detail Report

Description Woman's chemise of plain linen. The front and back panels are cut separately and are joined by shoulder straps. The neckline is square and wide (3 3/4 inches deep x 12 inches wide); the center front is slit for twelve inches, the edges turned under and narrow-hemmed. The sleeves are short (7 3/4 inches) and are set smoothly into the shoulder straps. Ease is provided by underarm gussets. The front of the chemise is not pieced; the back panel is constructed of three lengths of fabric. Seams are finished by turning the allowances out or to one side and stitching them down.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width across bottom): $52\ 1/4\ x\ 32$ in. (132.7 x 81.3cm) Other (width across top): $33\ 3/4$ in. (85.7cm)