

Basic Detail Report



Title Vest and Breeches

Date about 1790 to 1810

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Vest: Hand-stitched silk, cotton, and linen with silk-covered wood buttons. Breeches: Hand-stitched silk and linen, with brass buttons, and silk /cotton covered bone or wood buttons. Cotton repair fabric.

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Description Vest (a): Man's vest of black satin with very high standing collar and

double-breasted front. The eight buttons are self-covered wooden disks. There

is a 5 1/4-inch-wide faux pocket on each lower side. The back of the vest is plain,

undyed linen. The front of the vest is lined with plain, undyed cotton. Breeches

(b): Man's black silk satin breeches with a broad fall. The fall is 10 3/4 inches

wide across the center front; it fastens with a small (1/2-inch diameter) brass

shank button at each corner. The waistband is four inches wide at center front; it

fastens with two oval black/brown twill-covered buttons. A pocket is set into the

proper right side of the waistband. The breeches are smooth across the front

and pleated into the back. The center back seam and waistband are open for 5 1

/4 inches. Eyelets in the waistband would be laced to adjust the fit. The leg side

openings have been sewn shut. Originally, they would have closed with four,

probably self-covered buttons, but these have been replaced with six 3/4-inch-

diameter brass shank buttons. The buckles on the kneebands are probably also

replacements.

Dimensions Component (Breeches: length along side x width across waist): 25 3

/4 x 15 1/2in. (65.4 x 39.4cm) Component (Vest: center back length x width across

chest): 21 1/4 x 17 1/4in. (54 x 43.8cm)