

Basic Detail Report



Title Man's Vest

Date about 1860-1865

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Hand-stitched silk, cotton, and leather, with silk-covered bone
(probably) buttons, and a non-ferrous silk-covered metal buckle, and cotton
(probably) wadding

Description Man's black silk satin vest, with a shawl collar. The center front
opening fastens with six self-covered buttons. There is a slanted breast pocket

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on the proper left front, and a 5 1/8-inch-wide pocket on each side of the lower

front. The backing fabric is dark brown, twill-woven, glazed cotton. The vest

adjusts with a buckled self-fabric strap across the lower back. The vest lining is

tan twill-woven, glazed cotton. The lower edges of the front panels are lined

with dark brown leather. There is a breast pocket in the lining on the proper

right side. The vest fronts are padded with wadding to create the fashionable

silhouette. The lower center back of the vest is cut in a shallow, rounded notch.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width across chest): 21 1/2 x 20in.

(54.6 x 50.8cm)