Basic Detail Report

Title Woman's Coat

Date about 1880-1883

Primary Maker Lavancia Richardson

Medium Machine-stitched sealskin, silk, and cotton wadding, with sealskincovered wooden tassels, and silk/cotton cording

Description Woman's coat of dark brown-black seal fur. The coat has a high neckline and a 3 3/4-inch-wide, turn-down, rounded collar. The center front opening fastens with four toggle closures. On the right side, the thick cord loops are stitched on the underside of the opening edge. Above the loops on the right side are medallions of cording with fur-covered tassels; two-inch-diameter fur-covered buttons anchor the right side of the medallion. On the left side, the rectangular fur-covered and cord-covered toggles are anchored similarly by the large, round buttons. The long sleeves end in turned-back cuffs. The coat is lined with quilted brown satin.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width between shoulders): $38\ 3/4\ x\ 15$ 1/4in. ($98.4\ x\ 38.7$ cm)