

Basic Detail Report

Title Bicycle Dress

Date about 1895-1905

Medium Machine-stitched wool, with metal snaps

Description Dark gray plain-woven worsted bicycling outfit consisting of a bodice and matching bloomers. The bodice (a) has a sailor collar and full, gathered sleeves. The sleeves are gathered into the cuff at the top of the wrist only. A placket covers the snap closure at center front. The bodice is gathered into a band at the waist. The bodice snaps to the bloomers along this band. The bloomers (b) are very full, gathered into the waistband with wide knife pleats across the front and more numerous, narrower knife pleats across the back. The bloomers close with snaps over the proper left hip. The legs of the bloomers are gathered into a cuff, with a narrow strip of elastic at the bottom that extends out of the cuff and can be tied to fit.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (center back length x width across shoulders):

19 1/2 x 18in. (49.5 x 45.7cm) Other (sleeve length): 24in. (61cm) Other (waist circumference): 27in. (68.6cm)