

Title Breeches

Date about 1890s

Primary Maker Unknown

Basic Detail Report

Medium Machine-stitched and hand-stitched wool/cotton and cotton, with enameled metal buttons, and brass hook and eye

Description Man's trousers of black speckled with white wool/cotton fabric, that have been cut down to create a pair of Colonial Revival breeches. The breeches have a fly front that fastens with four black and gold metal buttons and a large brass hook and eye at the waistband. Additionally, a tab fastens with a single button behind the fly, on the left side. Six buttons are stitched around the waistband to attach to suspenders. The waistband is one inch wide at center front. There are two diagonal pockets in front and one welted pocket in back of the right hip. The center back is inserted with a gusset of red satin at the waist; a tab of self-fabric with a buckle adjusts the fit. The trousers have been cut off at about knee length to create the appearance of breeches; the leg openings are edged with black velvet ribbon. An irridescent, coppery colored button (one-inch diameter) is stitched on the outside of the leg at the bottom edge.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width across waist): 29 1/2 x 14in.

(74.9 x 35.6cm)