

Basic Detail Report

Title Man's Wedding Suit Jacket

Date 1778

Medium Hand-stitched linen with linen-covered horn (?) buttons

Description Man's jacket of white linen, block-printed with narrow red stripes.

The jacket (a less formal garment than a coat, which would have longer skirts and cuffs on the sleeves) has a high, round neck and fashionably narrow shoulders. The tight sleeves are cut with a curve and are open along the outside seam for about 4 1/2 inches up from the wrist, which fastens with a single, self-covered button. The jacket falls straight from the shoulders to the hem. The center front opening, which is cut away in an inverted V at the bottom, fastens with twelve self-covered buttons. The jacket flares towards the back at the side. The side seam is open for 9 1/2 inches from the bottom. The front panels are cut slightly longer than the back. The center back seam is vented for about 8 1/2 inches. The back panels also flare towards the sides. There is a pocket on each side of the front, covered by a flap cut in a double-curve, meeting at a point in the center. The pocket is made by slashing the striped fabric in a curve and stitching a plain linen bag behind it. The jacket is lined with plain linen, except in the back tails.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width across shoulders): 33 1/2 x 15 1/2in. (85.1 x 39.4cm)