

Basic Detail Report

Title Petticoat

Date about 1870-1900

Primary Maker Elizabeth Whitman

Medium Hand-stitched and machine-stitched wool and cotton, with silk embroidery

Description Petticoat of cream-colored, fine wool flannel. The petticoat is flat in front and pleated across the center back. Midway down the length of the petticoat in the back, an extra panel of flannel is gathered across to create more fullness. The bottom edge of the petticoat is scalloped and finished with a buttonhole stitch in cream-colored silk floss. Above this, a meandering "coral" pattern is created with narrow silk braid. The waistband is plain cotton, one-inch-wide. The petticoat opens at center back.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width at waist): 27 1/2 x 29in. (69.9 x 73.7cm) Hem (circumference): 82in. (208.3cm)