

Basic Detail Report

Title Infant's Shirt

Date about 1845-1860

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Hand-stitched cotton, with bobbin lace

Description Infant's shirt of white cotton. It is made of a long rectangle of fabric, folded in half, with the folded edge along one side, and the ends of the rectangle (which are selvages) whip-stitched together to form the opposite side seam. The top edge is slit about $1\frac{7}{8}$ inch in from the sides, creating front and back flaps that fold down over the baby band. This results in a wide, square neckline. The sleeves are about $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch wide; they are gathered at the shoulder and are edged with narrow bobbin lace. The shoulder seam is inset with bobbin lace.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width): $9\frac{3}{8}$ x 14in. (23.8 x 35.6cm)