

Basic Detail Report

Title Man's Hat

Date about 1782

Primary Maker Captain Phineas Meigs

Medium Blocked felted wool

Description Dark felt hat with round crown. The brim is 2 1/2 inches wide, increasing in width to 4 3/8 inches where it is cocked up. The cocked side of the brim is held up by a string which is laced through four holes. (Other holes in the brim indicate that this was probably originally a tricorne hat with a brim consistently 4 3/8 inches wide; the holes indicate where the brim was cocked up.) Surrounding the base of the crown like a hat band is a knotted string. The hat was originally lined; only the remnants of the lining remain around the base of the crown. Two holes in the crown are the result of musket fire; the small hole is the entry wound, and the large hole is the exit wound.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width x length): 4 1/4 x 12 3/4 x 11 1/8 in. (10.8 x 32.4 x 28.3cm)