

Basic Detail Report

Title Quilted Petticoat

Date about 1830-1850

Medium Hand-stitched cotton, with cotton batting and bone buttons

Description Plain cotton petticoat, quilted in a diamond grid pattern for a depth of 11 1/4 inches around the bottom. Above this, it is quilted with parallel vertical lines, two inches apart. The quilting is done with a white cotton thread at about 6 stitches per inch. The backing of the petticoat is also plain, undyed cotton. The bottom edge is bound with a twill-woven cotton tape. The top of the petticoat skirt is pleated into the waistband, which closes with a bone button. Four other bone buttons are stitched to the waistband, probably for fastening to suspenders, which were commonly used in this period with such heavy petticoats.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x hem circumference): 38 1/4 x 95 3/4in.
(97.2 x 243.2cm)