

# Basic Detail Report

## Title Man's Shirt

Date about 1790-1800

Primary Maker David Stebbins

Medium Hand-stitched linen

Description Man's shirt of white linen, with a whipped ruffle of finer quality linen

(a "jabot") around the center front opening, which extends nine inches. The

collar is 4 1/4 inches wide and is meant to stand up (it is pieced on the inside).

The collar fastens with two ball-shaped, thread-covered buttons (one is

missing). The shirt body is cut as a long rectangle, folded across the shoulders

(which look seamed due to decorative stitching). The sleeves are gathered at the

shoulder and are gusseted under the arm. They are gathered into 1 3/4-inch-

wide cuffs, which are worked with opposing buttonholes to accommodate a

stud. The side seams are open for about ten inches from the bottom; the top of

the opening is gusseted. The base of the center front opening is reinforced with

a heart-shaped piece of fabric on the back, decoratively embroidered on the

front with French knots. The shoulders are lined with self-fabric.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (center back length x width across shoulders):

43 1/4 x 25in. (109.9 x 63.5cm)