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Title Pieced Quilt

Date about 1860

Primary Maker Ellen M. Hills

Medium Hand-stitched, plain-woven cotton; twill-woven cotton tape

Description Pieced quilt in a Delectable Mountain pattern. The quilt consists of a pieced top of plain-woven cotton, batting, and a white, plain-woven cotton backing; the three layers are joined with a hand-stitched quilting pattern of triangles, clamshell and small flowers. The pieced pattern consists of a square in the center surrounded by triangles that give the square a sawtooth border; this

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is then surrounded by concentric squares created by large triangles, each with a sawtooth border created by small triangles. The square and each large triangle is a plain-woven cotton printed with a dense yellow, brown, black and blue floral and paisley pattern. The small squares are printed red with small black and yellow geometric designs. Between each triangular block are plain-woven white cotton pieces. Each edge of the quilt top has a red sawtooth border. The quilt is edged with twill-woven white cotton tape. Condition: The quilt top has scattered medium-sized areas of light brown stains. The backing has scattered light yellow stains.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width): 88 x 87 1/2in. (223.5 x 222.3cm)