

Basic Detail Report



Title Quilted Petticoat

Date about 1820-1830

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Hand-stitched silk, cotton, and linen with cotton batting

Description Creamy-gold silk quilted petticoat. An 11 1/2-inch-wide border design of an undulating feather encircles the lower section of the petticoat. The

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background of this section is filled with parallel diagonal lines. Above this

border, the petticoat is quilted in a diamond grid pattern. The petticoat skirt is

knife-pleated into the muslin waistband, creating a box pleat at center front and

center back. The petticoat opens on the left side; the waistband probably

originally closed with hooks and eyes. The lower 13 3/4 inches of the petticoat is

lined with the same creamy-gold silk as appears on the front. Above this, the

lining is brown cotton, with a 5 1/2-inch band of fine, plain-woven linen at the

top. The wadding is probably cotton. The bottom is finished with a narrow front-

to-back edge. The quilting thread is a matching silk. There are nine stitches to

the inch.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length): 36 1/2in. (92.7cm) Hem

(circumference): 83in. (210.8cm)