Basic Detail Report



Moccasins

Date
1790-1810

Primary Maker
Seneca (Haudenosaunee)

Medium
Hide, porcupine quills, silk ribbon, glass beads, sinew

Description
These tiny moccasins were likely used for only a short time before the baby outgrew them. However, this did not prevent the mother from decorating the tops with colorful quillwork and detailing the cuffs with lines of quillwork and a silk ribbon border with beaded edging. Mothers often wanted their children’s first clothing to be among their finest.

Dimensions
Overall: 1 3/4 × 2 1/4 × 4 1/2 in. (4.4 × 5.7 × 11.4 cm)