

Basic Detail Report



Abigail Adams

Date

c. 1795

Primary Maker

Ralph Earl

Medium

Oil on canvas

Description

Portrait of Abigail Smith Adams in front of a green curtain. She is wearing a dark brown gown with two rows of sheer, whiteworked muslin ruffles at each elbow, and her neckline and chest are covered by a sheer muslin fichu-chemise held with a gold pin at the throat and with a

white silk ribbon bow at the bottom. A light blue shawl patterned with green and orange botehs is draped over her shoulders. Her hair, frizzed around her head and rolled into large curls at ear level, is powdered and covered with a ruffled cap, trimmed with another white satin ribbon. A thinner ribbon is tied around her neck.

Dimensions

Framed: 35 1/8 × 30 1/4 × 3 3/8 in. (89.2 × 76.8 × 8.6 cm) Sight: 29 5/8 × 24 7/8 in. (75.2 × 63.2 cm)