

Basic Detail Report



Day Dress

Date

c. 1869

Medium

Wool or silk/wool blend, silk velvet, silk satin, cotton lace, and polished cotton

Description

One-piece day dress of brown wool or wool/silk blend, lined with light brown polished cotton. Jewel neckline, bound with brown silk satin ribbon, over a center-front closure with metal buttons. Two bretelles/straps of satin (edged with wool/silk ruffles also bound in satin) run from the back waist, over the shoulders, and down to the front waist. A partially-attached wool/silk belt bound with satin, trimmed with a brown silk velvet bow at center front and

a self-fabric bow at center back, above two rectangular flaps and one round flap. Long fitted sleeves covered with a shorter oversleeve forming a bell or long ruffle above the elbow; the ruffle attachment is covered with a band of satin, and a band of satin trims the wrist of the undersleeve along with a cotton lace ruffle. Gored skirt is pleated in front and gauged at back, with dogleg closure in front; two upward-pointing ruffles around around skirt at about knee height, their attachments covered with bands of satin.

Dimensions

54" length, 15.5" neck to waist, 24" waist circumference