



Civil War Union Officer's Coat

Date

1861-1865

Medium

Wool and brass

Description

This double-breasted Union officer's frock coat belonged to Colonel Carl Jayne. The buttons on this coat all bear the same design: the Great Seal of the United States represented by an eagle above a shield that is clenching arrows and branches in its talons and is surrounded by stars. This patriotic symbol indeed reminded soldiers like Colonel Jayne that they were fighting for freedom and the preservation of the United States as a nation.

Dimensions

45 × 19 in. (114.3 × 48.3 cm)