

Germany, ca. 1510

During the Renaissance, the Germans seemed to enjoy outdoing everyone else in the use of feathers, slashes, and puffs in their costume. The woman here wears a large-brimmed hat, edged in embroidery and covered with red, green, and gold feathers. Her pale-green silk gown has fur (animaltail) trim around the skirt, and her attached gold sleeves (slashed) are banded in the green silk of the gown. She displays her bright-red petticoat. Her partner is swathed in a rose-and-yellow cloak worn over yellow-and-blue particolor hose. His cap is of black velvet and is decorated with wired feathers in rose, yellow, and blue.