

Silver-trimmed Mexican Saddle, 1848



This saddle, brought home by Kentuckian Lafayette Dunlap after his service in the Mexican-American War, displays ornate trimming and intricate carving typical of Mexican saddles. The addition of silver trim suggests the saddle belonged to an officer. This artifact is currently being assessed for conservation with the support of the Kentucky Treasures Endowment Fund. For more information on giving, visit the resources page.

Donated by Dr. Fayette Dunlap, 1914.1

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