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A rare pink silk pair of stays, probably 17th century, finely boned and with applied silver thread braiding, the sleeves and front with attached silk ribbons, length 43cm. Note: a similar sleeved pair of stays can be seen in 'Seventeenth & Eighteenth Century In Detail', Hart & North: V & A Publishing, 1998, Page 12 and 13.

Estimate: £800 - £1,200

Condition Report

2855. For its period the stays are in generally good order, with obvious fading to the pink and some wear to edges. Some loss of a few ribbons, which appear to be mainly decorative. Some wear particularly around one join to the sleeve and some overall minor stains. One area of old darning to front panel and other minor old repairs.

Manchester Art Gallery has a similar red satin example with similar gold/silver braiding in their collection.

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