



Lucas, John Seymour, artist. [King Lear, sixteen costume sketches]. nineteenth century. Folger ART Box L933 no.21 (size L)

The Folger Shakespeare Library collection includes many sets of costume sketches from productions of Shakespeare's works; often one can see those designs in action with complementary photographs in the collection. It's more rare for fabric samples -- let alone the garment itself -- to accompany the designs. However, small swatches appear beside John Seymour Lucas' nineteenth-century designs for an undated production of *The Tragedy of King Lear*, including these red and green pieces that offer a vibrant glimpse of the Fool's costume.

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