

Medieval Dress – The Lord

The lord wears a shirt as his underwear. This shirt is plain, light and made of linen to keep his skin from itching. On his legs, he wears warm

"hose" (like tights) made of wool. Next, the lord wears a heavy decorated

gown called a houppelande. These gowns were sometimes made of velvet! Most important men wore a belt with a purse attached. The lord would often have a pendant (like a brooch) and a belt buckle made of jewels. A lord's gown would have "bagpipe" sleeves, which were baggy but tight around the wrist. Some lords would wear a hat called a chaperon. These hats had long "tails" that were called liripipes. During cold weather, the lord would wear a heavy cloak lined with animal fur. Pointed leather shoes were very popular for these men to wear.

