

Basic Detail Report



Wrapper (Adinkra)

Date

ca. 1960

Primary Maker

Asante people

Medium

cotton and dye

Description

Originally a royal cloth worn during mourning, Adinkra cloth is now more widely used. Each block is filled in with stamped patterns. The double curves are derived from ram's horns, a symbol of royalty. The concentric circles mean eternal kingship. Most other meanings have been forgotten. The word adinkra means message and also refers to leave-taking or separation.

Dimensions

Overall: 48 1/4 x 71 in. (122.6 x 180.3 cm)