

Basic Detail Report



Attush robe

Date

ca. 1850

Primary Maker

Unrecorded Ainu artist

Medium

Attush (elm-bark fiber cloth) and cotton

Description

The robe is made of a plain weave of attush (fiber made of the inner bark of the elm tree). The collar, lapels, upper back, sleeve cuffs and hem areas of the robe are decorated with blue cotton applique onto the attush

ground in a symmetrical block-like design. Over this is embroidered a lighter blue cotton (chain stitch) linear element, also in a symmetrical pattern, which attenuates the applique shapes. The collar is constructed of white cotton, overlaid with indigo dyed cotton chain stitch embroidery. Color: Natural tan (attush), Indigo (dark) blue, light blue and white Technique: Plain weave, applique and moreu* embroidery.

Dimensions

52 x 52 in. (132.08 x 132.08 cm)