

Basic Detail Report



Taqsireh

Date

late nineteenth-early twentieth century

Primary Maker

Artist Not Recorded

Medium

Wool, silk, metallic thread

Description

Blue wool embroidered with orange and purple floral meanders and medallions on front, sleeves, and back.

Crocheted edging on all openings. Lined with charcoal

colored fabric with woven grid and spots. Measurement width is shoulder to shoulder, sleeve end to sleeve end 112 cm/44 in. width at bottom is 52 cm/20.5 in. Old #3907 Taqsireh (late nineteenth-early twentieth century) (Plate 7) This taqsireh is a classic Bethlehem jacket. It is of blue wool felt (probably commercial). The embroidery is fine Bethlehem couching (shughl bêt laħm or talħameh) with multi-colored silk thread, mostly orange and magenta and some gold metallic thread. The designs are more geometrical and stylized than in jacket no. 2026. They include the classic pitcher motif (sharbeh) on both the front and back, in addition to the usual floresques, arabesques, and the typical Bethlehem bird. On the shoulders is the so-called cypress pattern (sarū). The crocheted edging is of tightly twisted silk thread. The jacket is lined with black wool challis with red dots. Length: 58 cm. Width: 49.5 cm. (Palestinian Costume and Jewelry, Yedida Kalfon Stillman, 1979 ISBN: 0-82630490-7)

Dimensions

22 13/16 x 19 1/2 in. (58 x 49.5 cm)