

Basic Detail Report



Agbada (Yoruba)

Date

Early-mid 20th century

Primary Maker

Artist unrecorded

Medium

Cotton, silk

Description

This indigo dyed tunic has a fine checks in tan with geometric designs on front panel and at nape. Hand embroidered in tan-colored thread button hole stitch. In

larger circles and rhomboid pattern (PR upper) the stitches form smaller circles whose centers have been cut away. At PR waist area an opening forms a pocket. The sides consist of 20 panels each sewn together, the hem area closed. Front panel is of at least 14 panels, some gusseted. Some back panels extend from front. There are 2 large gussets. Front neck opening crocheted (tunic resembles a poncho). Upper portion lined inside with striped purple, green magenta silk at bottom hem; white cotton at neckline.

Dimensions

43 11/16 × 95 1/4 in. (111 × 242 cm)