



Smadeh

Date

c. 1860

Primary Maker

Artist Not Recorded

Medium

Cotton, silver, silk

Description

Red cotton with chain chinstrap and coins. Old #1712
Şmādeh (ca. 1860) (Fig. 23) This cap has silk cross stitch embroidery, mostly in the distinctive Ramallah red, on the back. The heavy, stiff rim at the front supports one hundred Ottoman coins which bear the dates A.H. 1203, 1223, and 1277 (A.D. 1788-89, 1808-9, and 1858-59, respectively). The inner rim has sixty smaller coins which form the fringe in the front. Some of these are gold and are placed in the center. Heavy red silk thread attaches

the inner coins to yellow and purple braiding. The silver chain has a decorative knob at the center, from which a large Ottoman coin is suspended. Diameter: 27 cm. (Palestinian Costume and Jewelry, Yedida Kalfon Stillman, 1979 ISBN: 0-82630490-7)

Dimensions

16 9/16 × 10 5/8 in. (42 × 27 cm)