



Wedding dress ensemble

Date

ca. 1920

Primary Maker

Artist Not Recorded

Medium

Cotton, wool, metallic thread, metal, glass beads

Description

The bride's fitted vest, seen in the detail, is called saya. A woman wore it for the first year after her wedding. On her forehead are imitation coins made from brass and tin called tontuzi. An older chemise from the nineteenth century would have had much more embroidery on the hem and sleeve; the entire wedding ensemble was more elaborate then, indicating the tendency to simplification as the twentieth century progressed (Young Brides, Old Treasures: Macedonian Embroidered Dress, edited by Bobbie Sumberg, 2011). Parts of Ensemble: A.2010.19.3a-

b, Buckle: Pafti Parts of Ensemble: A.2010.6.133, Apron: Pestar edinicharen, c. 1920 Parts of Ensemble: A. 2010.76.25, Hat: Fez, c. 1920 Parts of Ensemble: A.2010.76.26, Chemise: Koshula Guste Pole, c. 1920 Parts of Ensemble: A.2010.76.27, Belt: Belt, c. 1920 Parts of Ensemble: A.2010.76.28, Vest: Saya, c. 1920 Parts of Ensemble: A.2010.77.13, Head scarf: Head scarf, c. 1920 Parts of Ensemble: A.2010.77.14, Head band: Head band, c. 1920 Parts of Ensemble: A.2010.77.2, Belt: Beaded belt, c. 1920 Parts of Ensemble: A. 2010.77.4, Pin, shirt ornament: Pin, shirt ornament, c. 1920