

Basic Detail Report



Mafrash (woven storage bag)

Date

ca. 1920

Primary Maker

Artist not recorded

Medium

wool, leather, sinew, metal

Description

Bag composed of body and flaps in one piece with two sides. Weft faced plain weave with weft float brocade. Elaborate leather end handles. 4 leather straps with buckles to close the bag. Edges and seams covered in leather. Evidence of previous moth damage. Small repairs made where little tufts of yarn appear. In Qashqa'i communities, brides traditionally receive a pair of mafrash for her dowry. For an image of similar mafrash in use, see Tapper and Johnson, eds. *The Nomadic Peoples of Iran* (2002), p. 225.

Dimensions

9 × 16 1/2 × 36 5/8 in. (22.86 × 41.9101 × 93.0277 cm)