

Basic Detail Report



Chitarape (mat)

Date

Late 19th to early 20th century

Primary Maker

Unrecorded Ainu artist

Medium

Vegetal fiber (elm, bullrush), cotton, natural dye

Description

Nearly square mat with golden brown ground decorated with a large central X in alternating strips of black and red. The edge decorated with stepped terrace patterns

made of strips of black, brown and red. Along sides are black zigzags. Mat sewn of fiber strips sewn together with cotton thread. The black and red colored strips wrap around the brown fiber substrate.

Dimensions

Overall: 19 11/16 x 19 1/2 in. (50 x 49.5 cm)