



Nyana Mask

Date

2020

Primary Maker

Nyanachiek Padiet

Medium

Glass beads, cotton

Description

Facial covering or mask made during the COVID-19 pandemic with traditional African beading techniques of Juba, South Sudan. Consists of three rows of long loops of

mostly white beads, and some black beaded accents in the design. The Ibu Foundation is a non-profit organization that elevates and gives recognition to female artisans from around the world with priority given to those whose work represents endangered, culturally significant textile traditions, who have no other means of sustainable income, and who are strong leaders with potential for growth. This mask, made by Nyanachiek Padiet is a mother of two, and joined the Roots Project in South Sudan in 2013. She loves a creative challenge, and this mask was right up her alley! The loop design is a traditional beadwork style in Juba.

Dimensions

With straps, measured flat: $4 \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{3}{8} \times 29 \frac{15}{16}$ in. ($12 \times 1 \times 76$ cm) Without straps: $7 \frac{1}{16}$ in. (18 cm)