

Basic Detail Report



Taqshireh

Date

ca. 1880

Primary Maker

Artist not recorded

Medium

wool, cotton, silk

Description

Wine with scarlet and blue cord embroidery, plaid lined. Tartan pattern lining Old # 2026 Taqshireh (ca. 1880) This jacket is made of a deep red, felted, plain weave material. Its embroidery is very similar, though much richer, to that on an early thob malakeh in the MOIFA Collection (no. 3363). The flowers on both are more natural, less geometrical than those of later garments. Perhaps these two items were worn together. Because of all the branches on the shoulders and sides of the jacket, it is called a taqshireh mushajjara ("an arboreal jacket"). The embroidery is mainly red with some pinks, blues, purples, and greens. There is some couching in gold metallic thread, but most of it is in orange silk thread, with some purple and brown. This jacket is of a type worn not only in Bethlehem, but in Jerusalem, Ramallah, and elsewhere. Length: 48.5 cm. Width: 42 cm. (Palestinian Costume and Jewelry, Yedida Kalfon Stillman, 1979 ISBN: 0-82630490-7)