



New bride's dress

Date

ca. 1900

Primary Maker

Artist not recorded

Medium

Cotton, wool, metal, metallic thread, glass beads, bast fiber

Description

Along with the fifteen items already on this mannequin, including three long black belts, a bride would also have worn another apron, a pair of short knitted wristlets, and two other pieces of head gear at her wedding. Coins decorate the neckpiece, called gyerdan, several jewelry chains, and two belts visible from the back. The city of Prilep is about north-northeast of Bitola, but the similarities between wedding clothing from these two Bryak areas are unmistakable (Young Brides, Old Treasures: Macedonian

Embroidered Dress, edited by Bobbie Sumberg, 2011).