



Taman Sawuta (Leader's Ritual Cloth)

Date

Mid 20th Century

Artist/Maker

Unknown, Aymara

Medium

Handspun sheep wool; fringe is early Merino sheep wool trade yarn

Description

Taman sawuta ritual cloth used by a community tamani, traditional leader. Long ceremonial cloth with short fringe on four sides in the three colors of the Bolivian flag (red, yellow, green). Such weavings are said to have been placed under the feet of the Indian leaders while conducting ceremonies.

Dimensions

41 1/2" L x 17 3/4" W

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