

Basic Detail Report



(Micmac) beaded bags are rare.

Dimensions

Overall: 11 1/2 × 11 in. (29.2 × 27.9 cm)

Bag

Date

c. 1840-1850

Primary Maker

Mi'kmaq (Micmac)

Medium

Wool stroud, glass beads, muslin, silk, cord, thread

Description

Inward curling lines, often referred to as double curve motifs, are prominent design elements on these bags and may symbolize vegetation and bounty. Similar beadwork is found on formal clothing such as chief's coats, hoods, caps, moccasins, and sashes. Micmac beadworkers often selected the finest red or blue wool since it provided a rich contrast to their intricate beadwork. Extant Mi'kmaq