

Rug

Date c. 1910 Primary Maker Navajo Medium Wool

Description

This rug features a large central design known as the Spider Woman Cross. This design has several different forms, but it is generally characterized as having small squares of other geometric motifs attached to the outer perimeters of crossed lines or arms. Although the term refers to Spider Woman, the sacred being who taught the Navajo how to weave, it is thought that this term was developed by commercial traders and not the Navajo themselves.

Dimensions

69 × 104 in. (175.3 × 264.2 cm)