



## Apron

**Date**

c. 1950

**Primary Maker**

Dong

**Medium**

Cotton, shiny cloth and silk

**Description**

Aprons are typically worn as part of the ensembles of the women or various ethnic minority groups throughout China. The shiny cloth used in this particular apron was

likely created through a process known as calendering. As there are many different cultures that use this technique throughout China, the specific materials used in calendering vary depending on the organic materials available in a specific location. The significant amount of time needed to create this shiny cloth is consistent across methods and is a testament to the Dong’s attention to detail and idea of beauty.

**Dimensions**

15 1/2 × 16 in. (39.4 × 40.6 cm) With tassel: 15 1/2 × 36 in. (39.4 × 91.4 cm)