

# Basic Detail Report

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## Skirt

### Date

20th Century

### Primary Maker

Miao

### Medium

Shiny cloth, cotton and silk

### Description

The shiny cloth used in this skirt is a common feature of Miao textile work. It is created through a process known as calendering. As the Miao people inhabit different areas and countries, 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 Miao's attention to detail and idea of beauty. This particular skirt is a variation on the commonly found blue colored shiny cloth. This skirt is worn by girls in Gulong Town as part of their festival ensemble.

### Dimensions

When folded as it would be worn: 36 1/2 × 34 3/4 in. (92.7 × 88.3 cm)