



Hat

Date

20th Century

Primary Maker

Miao

Medium

Wicker, string and ceramic

Description

This hat from China is probably from the Miao or other similar minority culture. This round-rimmed brown hat has small, green floral designs at its top as well as along the base of the crown. A number of colorful beads dangle from the underside of hat along with two leather straps for attaching the hat to one's head. Most woven Miao hats feature a hexagonal weaving pattern. This object sets itself apart by being woven in a coiled pattern. Despite having a nearly identical hat in our collections, during research no other Miao hats were found with such distinct

crowns.

Dimensions

Without Tassels: 2 1/2 x 15 3/4 in. (6.4 x 40 cm) With Tassels: 33 x 15 3/4 in. (83.8 x 40 cm)