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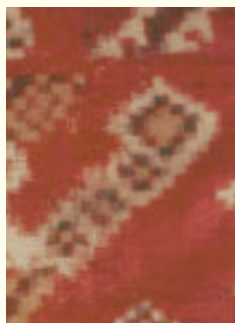
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Treasure a Textile



holes and
distorted weave



intense crease

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India, Gujarat, traded to Indonesia
Ceremonial cloth and sacred heirloom [patolu] (detail) 18th century silk, double ikat
 National Gallery of Australia, Canberra
 above left: damaged area before restoration
 above right: damaged area after restoration

The National Gallery of Australia holds one of the finest Asian textile collections in the world. Conserving textiles for display and to stabilise their condition is a time consuming and specialised task.

Please help support the conservation of textiles at the National Gallery of Australia

Some textiles within the collection need little treatment prior to display, while others are fragile and require many hours of specialist care.

Issues in textile conservation include:

- creases and tears
- damage by insects and vermin
- acidic dyes and mordants
- specific storage needs
- abrasions and loss
- scientific dating

It can take up to 1000 hours by a specialist conservator to restore a textile to its original strength and beauty.

Due to the increasing interest by the public in the Gallery's collection of Asian textiles and the processes of conservation, we are pleased to offer a unique program enabling interested members of the public to support particular textile treasures and find out more about Asian textiles.

In return for your support, you will:

- be invited to a behind-the-scenes tour of the conservation laboratory and discuss particular areas of interest with specialist conservators and curators
- receive a photograph of your adopted textile before and after conservation, with notes detailing treatment
- be acknowledged on the exhibition label for supporting the conservation of the textile

For further information, please contact the Development Office on 02 6240 6454 or email Development@nga.gov.au

Donation Form

Please complete this form, then either hand it with your gift to the Information Desk at the National Gallery; or mail it with your donation to:

**The Development Office
National Gallery of Australia
GPO Box 1150
CANBERRA ACT 2601**

I would like to make a tax deductible donation to the Treasure a Textile program to the value of:

- \$500 to
 - remove minor stains
 - repair small damage
 - prepare cloth for display
- \$1000 to
 - provide washing to remove more substantial stains
 - repair larger losses
 - assist with specialist display needs
- \$2000 to
 - provide scientific radiocarbon dating
 - enable cleaning and stabilisation
 - assist with conserving a very fragile textile
 - assist with conserving a larger textile

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