



cotton and dye

## Hair Ribbon (Cinta)

**Date**  
not dated

**Primary Maker**  
Artist Unknown

**Medium**

### Description

This cotton hair ribbon comes from the village of San Miguel Totonicapán, where women often wrap their hair in elaborate ribbons decorated with tassels. Cintas are made on a small treadle loom known as a ribbon loom. The weaver uses a tapestry technique which leaves small gaps where colors meet. This particular piece is highly decorated and features two human figures participating in a sort of dance, and they may even be holding guns—a rare choice of decoration.

### Dimensions

Overall: 2 x 2 x 112 in. (5.1 x 5.1 x 284.5 cm)