

PREPARATION OF A *MAGANI'S* HEAD CLOTH

Only a few of the women attempt to make the peculiar chocolate-colored head covering worn by successful warriors. A cotton cloth of the desired size is suspended by the center from a support. At one corner a small hook is fastened, which in turn is attached to a loop by means of a chain. The loop fits over the toes of the operator, who can thus draw the cloth taut while having her hands free for work. Small sections of the fabric are raised and are wrapped so tightly with waxed thread that, when the cloth is placed in the dye, these portions will not receive the coloring matter. When the over-tying is removed, white designs appear in the chocolate-colored background.

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