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Provenience: Polynesia, American Samoa**People or Culture:** Samoans**Object:** Barkcloth (Siapo tasina)**Material:** Paper mulberry bark (u'a) (Broussonetia papyrifera), dyes**Description:** Rectangular siapo tasina rubbed off a carved wood upeti with crescent, diamond, rectangles, triangles, "v's" and other geometric motifs in tan on natural color background. Highlighting on front in dark brown, dark brown lines dividing siapo in 10 sections, 5 short and 5 long. One short section and one long section at opposite ends also highlighted in rusty brown, shaggy edge.

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Dimensions: 181.0 cm x 134.0 cm
(in cm.)

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