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Provenience: Polynesia, American Samoa

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People or Culture: Samoans**Object:** Barkcloth (Siapo tasina)**Material:** Paper mulberry bark (u'a) (Broussonetia papyrifera), dyes

Description: Almost square siapo tasina rubbed off a leaf upeti, has short lines, "v's", crescents, zig-zags, diamonds colored rusty brown on natural background; freehand drawn black lines dividing 6 sections, 3 black dots; on shorter side freehand drawn long diagonal and straight geometric pattern in duplicate. Tears and fragile condition. Circa 1900 or earlier.

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Dimensions: 161.0 cm x 136.0 cm
(in cm.)

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Collection: Gift of Sheridan Pressey Collins 12/91
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