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FIELD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY—ETHNOLOGY

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Field No.

Provenience: Polynesia, Tuvalu (Ellice Island)

People or Culture: Tuvaluans

Object: Woman's Dance SKIRT

Material: Pandanus sp.?, other plant fiber, cocus nucifera, plant dyes.

Description:

Three graduated layers of alternating strips of light natural color pandanus attached to twisted tie of coir at waist. Two layers of multicolored pandanus bundles form decorative waist band in dark brown, yellow, rust and natural. Some colored strips are sewn on, some are tied together in bundles.

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Dimensions: W= 103.5; L=51.3 cm.
(in cm.)

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Collection: Gift of Mr. & Mrs. Allen G. Rydell, 4/12/84.
Collected by Mr. Allen G. Rydell, ca. 1943