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Provenience: Southwestern Nigeria: collected at Ibadan

People or Culture: Yoruba

Object: ritual pouch of a priest of the Shango cult

Material: leather; European cloth; thread

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Description: large, squarish leather pouch, sewn together at sides and covered on outer face with a square flap ending in 7 points; the sides of the pouch run into a wide shoulder strap; on outer face of pouch 2 vertical bands of applied leather decoration with cut-outs over cloth and leather, and embroidery of leather strips; the face of the flap divided into 4 panels, each with a highly stylized representation of

Dimensions:

(in cm.)

Length: 68, Width: 50

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Collection: Purchased from Mr. Christopher C. Legge, June 29, 1970.

the god Eshu, done in embroidery of thin leather strips on a red flannel ground. (the inner face of the pouch badly torn on both sides.)

