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Provenience: Kenya Culture Province Lorugumu**People or Culture:** Turkana**Object:** Shell belt (nyakirmi-ostrich shell)**Material:** Ostrich shell, leather

Description: Rows of ostrich shell disc beads strung vertically on leather thongs(possibly sinew), placed side by side, and bound top, middle, and bottom with leather thong. Ties in front with a leather strip bound to the top. Belt tapers from 6.5 cm in front to 12 cm in back. Every day change of clothing. Women buy or make beads.

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Dimensions: Length incl. tie 110 cm Width 12 cm.
(in cm.)

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Collection: Field Museum of Natural History Purchase 1974
Collected by Mrs. Ann Prewitt 1973

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