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Provenience: Africa Kenya**People or Culture:** Kamba Location Ngomeni**Object:** Necklace (mafuo)**Material:** Conus shell, sticks, yarn, string**Description:** Round, rigid necklace made of three sticks bent into cocentric circles when wet and bound together closely with black fibre string. Seven discs of conus shell (ivuo) were made by grinding the shell with stone and water. Holes were drilled and the discs were bound tightly to the necklace with dark blue string. One end was wrapped with the same string and one end with black yarn. A wire loop and hook forms the closing. Worn by
Dimensions: girls and women every day and for dancing.

(in cm.)

Diameter 25.5 cm.

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Collection: Field Museum of Natural History Purchase 1974
Collected by Mrs. Ann Prewitt 1972

