



OBJECT ID	2015.19.8
OBJECT NAME	Vest
EVENT	Wedding of Fotini and Stylianos Dedes
MEASUREMENTS	37.3075200000 cm. W x 60.325 cm. L This is an article of clothing and the dimensions will change depending on how it is displayed., Item (Overall)
MATERIAL	Velvet; Wool
OBJECT ENTITIES	Dedes, Fotini (owned by)

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

This is a vest made of purple velvet. The vest is short in the back and longer in the front. It has eight buttons made of polished wood. The four bottom buttons are dark in color, while the four top buttons are lighter. There are a number of areas where the velvet is worn and discolored, especially the bottom, along the edges, and around the buttons and buttonholes. The lining of the vest is made of a blue and white striped material. The lining is yellowed around the collar, along the edges, and near the bottom of the vest.

ORIGIN

This vest was donated by Helen Adinolfi as part of a traditional Greek costume. The costume was worn by Adinolfi's mother, Fotini, at her wedding to Stylianos Dedes in January 1929 in Epirus, Greece. Traditional costumes like this are based on clothing historically worn in Greece. The costumes vary depending on the region of origin. They are generally worn for special occasions and celebrations. This vest would have gone over the shirt and under the outer vest.

Photos of Helen Adinolfi wearing the costume are included in the donor file.

CITATION

Vest, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 04/20/24.