



OBJECT ID	2001.46.12.C
OBJECT NAME	Handkerchief
DATE CREATED	November 16, 2001
MATERIAL	Cloth
OBJECT ENTITIES	Costas, Helen (owned by) Costas, Helen (is related to)
RELATED ITEMS	Apron, 2001.46.9 Scarf, 2001.46.10 Cookbook, 2001.46.2 Handkerchief, 2001.46.11.A Handkerchief, 2001.46.11.B Handkerchief, 2001.46.11.C Handkerchief, 2001.46.12.A Handkerchief, 2001.46.12.B
ACCESS POINTS	Clothing Embroidery Flowers Handkerchiefs Needlework Rhodes

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

A white, square handkerchief from Rhodes, Greece. In one corner of the handkerchief a hibiscus flower is embroidered in pink, salmon and red. The stem of the flower crosses from one edge of the handkerchief to the other over "Rhodes," embroidered in brown.

ORIGIN

Donated by Helen Costas. This handkerchief is from Rhodes, an island of Greece. Rhodes is located in the eastern Aegean Sea. Rhodes, one of the most popular tourist sites in Europe, is famous for the Colossus of Rhodes. The Colossus of Rhodes was a statue of the Greek Titan Helios that stood nearly one hundred feet tall before its destruction in the earthquake of 226 B.C.

The hibiscus seems to be a prominent flower of Rhodes.

CITATION

Handkerchief, November 16, 2001, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 05/07/24.