



OBJECT ID	1996.19.6.E
OBJECT NAME	Napkin
DATE CREATED	July 15, 2002
MATERIAL	Cotton
OBJECT ENTITIES	Embroidered, (created by)
RELATED ITEMS	<p> Bedspread, 1996.19.1  Bedspread, 1996.19.2  Bedspread, 1996.19.3  Fan, 1996.19.5  Napkin, 1996.19.6.A  Napkin, 1996.19.6.B  Napkin, 1996.19.6.C  Napkin, 1996.19.6.D  Napkin, 1996.19.6.F  Tablecloth, 1996.19.6.G  Tablecloth, 1996.19.7  Tablecloth, 1996.19.8  Runner, Table, 1996.19.9  Cover, Pillow, 1996.19.10  Hanging, 1996.19.11  Bedspread, 1996.19.13 </p>
ACCESS POINTS	<p> flag  Napkin  Tea </p>

#### OBJECT DESCRIPTION

A dark cream knit tea napkin, finished with a blue blanket stitch around the perimeter. In the lower, left-hand corner there is an embroidered symmetrical "L" in blue with several embroidered squares along the outside of its edges, giving the appearance of a battlement / crenellation atop a castle wall. Two blue flags with red flag poles are angled and centered within that "L" -- their bottom of their poles pointing to the vertex of the "L". The blue flags have white clovers or crosses on them.

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#### ORIGIN

The flag on the napkin could possibly be the flag of the Free State of Icaria. The Icarian state flag is blue with a white cross. Icaria was a part of the Ottoman Empire until they organized a Turkish garrison for their independence in 1912. Icaria was a free state for five months of famine and poverty until the state became a part of Greece.

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#### CITATION

Napkin, July 15, 2002, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 04/26/24.

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