



OBJECT ID	1994.13.30A
OBJECT NAME	Blouse
OBJECT COLLECTION	Georgia Kotsiopoulos Collection (is part of)
ALTERNATIVE NAME	Evzone Blouse
MATERIAL	Cotton
OBJECT ENTITIES	Kotsiopoulos, Georgia (collected by)
RELATED ITEMS	<p>           Bottle, 1994.13.21            Bottle, 1994.13.22            Painting, 1994.13.27            Print, 1994.13.28A            Print, 1994.13.28B            Print, 1994.13.28C            Print, 1994.13.28D            Print, 1994.13.28E            Print, 1994.13.28F            Print, 1994.13.28G            Print, 1994.13.28H            Print, 1994.13.28I            Print, 1994.13.28J            Print, 1994.13.28K            Print, 1994.13.28L            Print, 1994.13.28M            Poster, 1994.13.29A            Poster, 1994.13.29.B            Poster, 1994.13.29C            Skirt, 1994.13.30B            Fez, 1994.13.30C            Vest, 1994.13.30D         </p>

## ACCESS POINTS

Blouses  
Evzone  
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## OBJECT DESCRIPTION

White long-sleeved child's evzone blouse with a collar. The sleeves are slightly puffed, and the shirt has a paneled front 2.75 in wide and three buttons.

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## ORIGIN

Evzones refers to the members of the Presidential Guard an elite ceremonial unit that guards the Greek Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Presidential Mansion and the gate of Evzones camp in Athens.

Though the Presidential Guard is a predominantly ceremonial unit, all Evzones are volunteers drawn from the Hellenic Army's Infantry, Artillery and Armoured Corps. Prospective Evzones are usually identified at the Army Recruit Training Centres during Basic Training; there is a minimum height requirement of 1.86 m (6' 1.2") to join.

The unit is famous around the world for its unique traditional uniform, which has evolved from the clothes worn by the klephts who fought the Ottoman occupation of Greece. The most visible item of this uniform is the fustanella, a kilt-like garment. Their proven valour and peculiar dress turned them into a popular image for the Greek soldier, especially among foreigners.

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## CITATION

Blouse, Georgia Kotsiopoulos Collection, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 04/25/24.

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