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| OBJECT ID       | 2002.32.8                                                                                                                                 |
| OBJECT NAME     | Stefanothiki                                                                                                                              |
| MEDIUM          | Wax                                                                                                                                       |
| MATERIAL        | Glass; Wood                                                                                                                               |
| OBJECT ENTITIES | Skan, Martha (collected by)<br>Skan, Leonn (is related to)<br>Skan, Martha (is related to)                                                |
| RELATED ITEMS   | Rug, 2002.32.1<br>Tablecloth, 2002.32.2<br>Skirt, 2002.32.3<br>Vest, 2002.32.4<br>Vest, 2002.32.5<br>Dress, 2002.32.6<br>Dress, 2002.32.7 |
| ACCESS POINTS   | Stefana<br>Stefanothiki<br>wedding                                                                                                        |

#### OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Ornate wooden box frame holding Stefana of cream-colored flowers and ivory satin bows. Box frame also contains 2 candles and lace trim.

#### ORIGIN

The Stefanothiki is a box that keeps the Stefana safe and protected and ensures that the wedding crowns do not get damaged or lost.

The Stefana is a Greek wedding crown. They are a sign of the bond between the Bride and Groom and represent the glory and honour which God bestows

upon the couple who have observed His Commandments. The couple is crowned as King and Queen of their new family and ordered to rule with justice and integrity. The priest places the crowns (which are tied together by a long ribbon) on the heads of the bride and groom and the "koumbaro" or best man exchanges the crowns three times.

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#### CITATION

Stefanothiki, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 09/12/26.

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