



OBJECT ID	1997.1.3
OBJECT NAME	Nightgown
DATE CREATED	circa 1920
MATERIAL	Cotton
OBJECT ENTITIES	Moraitou, Katina (created by) Strimboules, Ann (is related to) Moraitis, Katina (is related to)
RELATED ITEMS	Cover, Pillow, 1997.1.1 Tablecloth, 1997.1.2 Photograph, 1997.1.4A Photograph, 1997.1.4.B
ACCESS POINTS	Nightgown textile

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Fine, white cotton nightgown with square neck and short sleeves. Delicate tating decorates both the neckline and edges of the sleeves. A charming eyelet lace design of flowers and baskets embellishes the front of the gown just below the neck line. There are slits for a waistband on either side of the gown, but no cord.

ORIGIN

the Donors mother embroidered this herself for her dowery.

Katina Moraitou was born in Tsesme, Turkey in 1889. She was the oldest of eight children. Her father Nicholas was a tobacco grower and also worked as an accountant and manager of a large farm. With the turmoil that was going on in Turkey the family left and settled in Greece on the island of Chios. The family had lost everything and thus scattered to survive: Nicholas and his youngest son went to France, while another son, George came to America. Katina followed George and worked for a manufacturer of fine clothing. She brought with her, her dowery which she had embroidered as a young girl.

CITATION

Nightgown, circa 1920, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 06/30/26.