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OBJECT NAME	Skirt, Foustanella
MATERIAL	Rayon
OBJECT ENTITIES	American Congress, United (is related to)
ACCESS POINTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evzones gold Greek Independence Day Parade Greek Key Pleats red Skirt

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

The foustanella of the evzones. The waist of the skirt is held together by velcor. At the waist of the skirt there are numerous pleats, representing the years of Ottoman occupation. It is an off white color and has no decoration till the hem of the skirt which has about in inch and a half of a gold and red Greek Key.

ORIGIN

The uniform of the Evzones has a long history, which begins with the warriors (euzones) at the time of Homer and culminates in the "phoustanella" and "tsaroukhi" at the time of the Turkish Occupation. From 1821 onwards the Evzone uniform was established as the official Greek national costume. The making of the Evzone uniform is not a simple procedure. It requires knowledge and experience on the part of the makers, as well as a great deal of time and expense. The uniforms are completely hand-made. There are two types of uniform: that of the officer and that of the private and each has a summer and a winter version.

CITATION

Skirt, Foustanella, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 09/23/21.