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OBJECT NAME	Gown, Wedding
MEASUREMENTS	317.1825 cm. W x 203.5175 cm. L Since this is a textile, the dimensions may change depending on how it is displayed., Item (Overall)
MATERIAL	Cotton; Lace; Pearl
OBJECT ENTITIES	Gravenites, Helen (owned by) Gravenites, Helen (is related to)
ACCESS POINTS	flowers Pearls Veil Wedding Dress

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Silk white wedding dress with pearls and lace. The pearls are in the shape of flowers. The middle of the dress is made of white fabric, while the top and bottom have lace parts. The pearls are an off-white color. The dress came with three parts: the main dress, a veil, and a skirt for under the dress, which was made of a gridlike material. The top lace part of the dress has flowers on it, decorated with pearls and white beads. Under the bodice, there is a row of white leaves, which also has pearls in groups of three on it. Along the waist, there is a trail of leaves and flowers that extends all the way onto the back.

There is also a trail of flowers and leaves that extends down the middle, and is decorated with pearls and white beads. There are bigger flowers and beads spread throughout the lace, which stops along the back. The back of the dress is longer than the front.

ORIGIN

This item consists of a wedding gown, a skirt for under the gown, and a veil. White was a color used in wedding dresses in order to symbolize chastity.

CITATION

Gown, Wedding, *National Hellenic Museum*, https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/. Accessed 03/29/24.