


OBJECT ID	F2013.43
OBJECT NAME	Holder, Flag
MATERIAL	Cotton; Plastic; Wood
OBJECT ENTITIES	China, Made (created by)
ACCESS POINTS	flag Plastic Wood

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Wooden, rectangular flag holder with folded flag inside. The holder has a hinged front that opens folding down. There is a small wooden knob in the top corner for opening the cover. The front has a rectangular window of clear plastic. The bottom edge of the case has two wooden legs for setting the holder on a surface. On the back is a wired hanger for hanging the holder on the wall. there is a small, gold, oval sticker on the back that reads: "Made in China." The flag displayed in the case is folded in the ceremonial rectangle with the blue field and stars showing.

ORIGIN

Found in collection. The flag is folded in the manner that is followed upon the lowering of the flag everyday and also at funerals for servicemen and women and veterans. The flag is folded in a triangle as to imitate the appearance of the cocked hats worn by American servicement during the Revolutionary War. When the flag is completely folded only the canton of blue with the stars is visible. The blue symbolizes honor. The stars symbolize the 50 states the service men and women served. The folding of the stripes into the blue and stars also symoblizes the light of day vanishing into the dark of night. Folded flags are presented to the family of deceased service personnel and veterans as a sign of thier honorable service.

CITATION

Holder, Flag, *National Hellenic Museum*, https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/. Accessed 11/10/26.