

Sleeve ham

Southeast Asian Collection

Accession Nr.:	54.18.1.3 
Type:	costumes; textile arts
Date of production:	19th century
Place of production:	Java, Indonesia, Southeast Asia
Materials/Techniques:	silk, golden cord, metal, twisted
Dimensions:	height: 10.8 cm length: 30 cm

This elaborate embroidered sleeve border was presumably part of a Peranakan (emigrant, assimilated) Chinese Indonesian so-called nyonya-baba (female-male) costume. The field, edged with twisted gold cord, features the typical Chinese motif of two dragons playing with precious stones in the sky, each with a dazzling sun-disk next to their tails.

