

## **Coverlets in the Pioneers Museum**

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### **Coverlet Catalogue # 5737a**

**Date of Documentation:** February 26, 2007

**Pattern Name(s):** Double and Single Snowballs

**Weave Structure:** Double Weave

**Type:** Geometric

**Grid:** Horizontal/vertical

**Size:** 74/9" length x 63.5" width. (Dimensions are an average of at least three measurements in both directions.)

**Number of Panels:** 2

**Number of Blocks:** 9

**Probable Loom Type:** Treadle

**Warp Yarn 1:** Fiber Content: Wool

Estimated Yarn Size: 12/2

Spun: Z, Tight twist, Two Ply, Plied S, Handspun

Dye: Hand dyed, natural dyes

Pantone Color: Black Iris, #19-3921 tpx

Ends/Inch: 19 each layer

**Warp Yarn 2:** Fiber Content: Wool

Estimated Yarn Size: 12/2

Spun: Z, Tight twist, Two Ply, Plied S, Handspun

Dye: Hand dyed, natural dyes

Pantone Color: Adriatic Blue, #17-4320 tpx

Ends/Inch: 19 each layer

**Warp Yarn 3:** Fiber Content: Wool

Estimated Yarn Size: 12/2

Spun: Z, Tight twist, Two Ply, Plied S, Handspun

Dye: Hand dyed, natural dyes

Pantone Color: Cloud Cream, #12-0804 tpx

Ends/Inch: 19 each layer

**Warp Yarn 4:** Fiber Content: Wool

Estimated Yarn Size: 12/2

Spun: Z, Loose twist, Two Ply, Plied S, Handspun

Dye: Hand dyed, Natural dyes

Pantone Color: Cobal Haze, #16-1329 tpx

Ends/Inch: 19 each layer

**Weft Yarn 1:** Fiber Content: Wool

Estimated Yarn Size: 12/2

Spun: Z, Tight twist, Two Ply, Plied S, Handspun  
Dye: Hand dyed, natural dyes  
Pantone Color: Black Iris, #19-3921 tpx  
Ends/Inch: 19 each layer

**Weft Yarn 2:** Fiber Content: Wool  
Estimated Yarn Size: 2/8  
Spun: Z, Tight twist, Two Ply, Plied S, Handspun  
Dye: Hand dyed, natural dyes  
Pantone Color: Adriatic Blue, #17-4320 tpx  
Ends/Inch: 19 each layer

**Weft Yarn 3:** Fiber Content: Wool  
Estimated Yarn Size: 2/8  
Spun: Z, Tight twist, Two Ply, Plied S, Handspun  
Dye: Hand dyed, natural dyes  
Pantone Color: Cloud Cream, #12-0804 tpx  
Ends/Inch: 19 each layer

**Weft Yarn 4:** Fiber Content: Wool  
Estimated Yarn Size: 2/8  
Spun: Z, Loose twist, Two Ply, Plied S, Handspun  
Dye: Hand dyed, Natural dyes  
Pantone Color: Cobal Haze, #16-1329 tpx  
Ends/Inch: 19 each layer

**Edge:** Top hemmed, frayed on sides  
**Border:** Sleeve sewn on bottom with rings, integrated with same motif  
**Weaving:** Pattern squared: Yes  
Borders mitered: Yes -- on bottom corners  
Threading errors: No  
Treadling errors: No  
Even beat : Yes  
Panels match: No, hand sewn  
**Condition:** Shows much wear, poor condition  
Stains in lower quadrant on front, Stains on upper half on back

**Date received by museum:** @1938

**Donor:** Gates Wessells Estate

**Museum Note:** (includes history prior to museum ownership and other information in museum files):

“Lt. blue and navy blue, off white, rose, coarse weave”

**Museum History: Storage:** 4-2-5-6

**For further information on the weaver or coverlets with similar motifs or design features see:**

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Swygert, L. *Heirlooms from Old Looms: A Catalogue of Coverlets Owned by the Colonial Coverlet Guild of America & Its Members*. Chicago: R.R. Donnelley. 1940 pp. 186, 221