

	<p>Object: "Jihussi" shawl for men</p> <p>Museum: Ethnologisches Museum Arnimallee 27 14195 Berlin 030 / 83 01 273 em@smb.spk-berlin.de</p> <p>Collection: Süd- und Südostasien, Naga-Sammlung</p> <p>Inventory number: I C 28378 a</p>
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Description

Warrior shawl (jihussi)

The decoration on the shawl suggests that it may have been made by Chang Naga, and later belonged to Ao Naga. It was worn only by successful headhunters. On the upper right-hand side are hornbill feathers, goat hair edged with orchid stems and a stylized human figure – which indicate its use in headhunting. The patterns are made of cowries.

Basic data

Material/Technique:	Cotton; Cowrie shells; Goat hair; Hornbill feather, orchid stem, feather
Measurements:	Length x width: 170 x 145 cm; Weight: 1.8 kg

Events

Created	When	1851-1900
	Who	Ao Naga
	Where	India
Collected	When	1892-1894
	Who	Otto Ehrenfried Ehlers (1855-1895)
	Where	Nagaland

Keywords

- Clothing

- Headhunting
- Schultertuch
- Warrior