



Textile Treasures (84)

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Lot 311

Estimate: £5000 - £8000 + Fees

A fine and important embroidered purple velvet nobleman's robe, (joma), Bukharan, late 19th century, worked with Ottoman inspired embroidered flower-heads and acanthus scrolls with diapered patterns in gold and silver thread, lined in scarlet moiré silk brocaded with flowers, needle-braid borders

Exhibited at the Museum for Islamic Art, Jerusalem.

See the Metropolitan Museum collection accession no C.15.45 for a similar robe. Fine robes such as these were sometimes worn for traditional Bukharan or Jewish weddings. See 'The Jewish Wardrobe' from the Collection of the Israel Museum, Jerusalem p.194 for a photograph of David Davidoff wearing a similar robe in 1927.