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Dressed for Eternity: Traditional and Contemporary Burial Shrouds

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Costumes from the collection of the Wing for Jewish Art and Life, The Israel Museum, Jerusalem, featured in the 2014 exhibition *Dress Codes: Revealing the Jewish Wardrobe*



Prayer shawl neckbands
(*Shpanyer Atarot*), Poland,
late 19th- early 20th c.



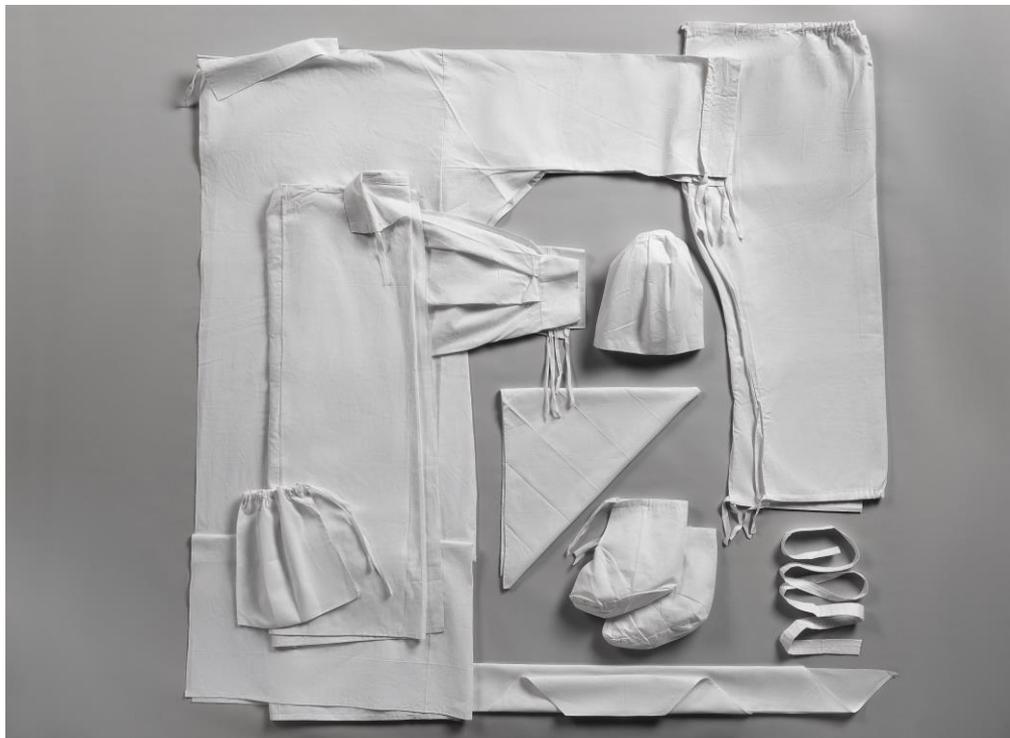
Cantor's cap for Yom Kippur,
Germany, 18th c.



Prayer shawl (*Tallit*), Ruzhin, Ukraine, early 20th c.



Prayer shawl (*Tallit*) Germany, 18th century



A man's set of **burial shrouds**, Sweden, 2nd half of the 20th century



Robe from a Jewish woman's burial shrouds, Germany, late 19th c.



Glass for a burial society's annual banquet
Prague, Bohemia, 1713



Robes from women's and men's burial shrouds, New York, Germany, Suriname and Morocco, 19th- 20th c.



Burial shroud, 'En Gedi, 1st century BC

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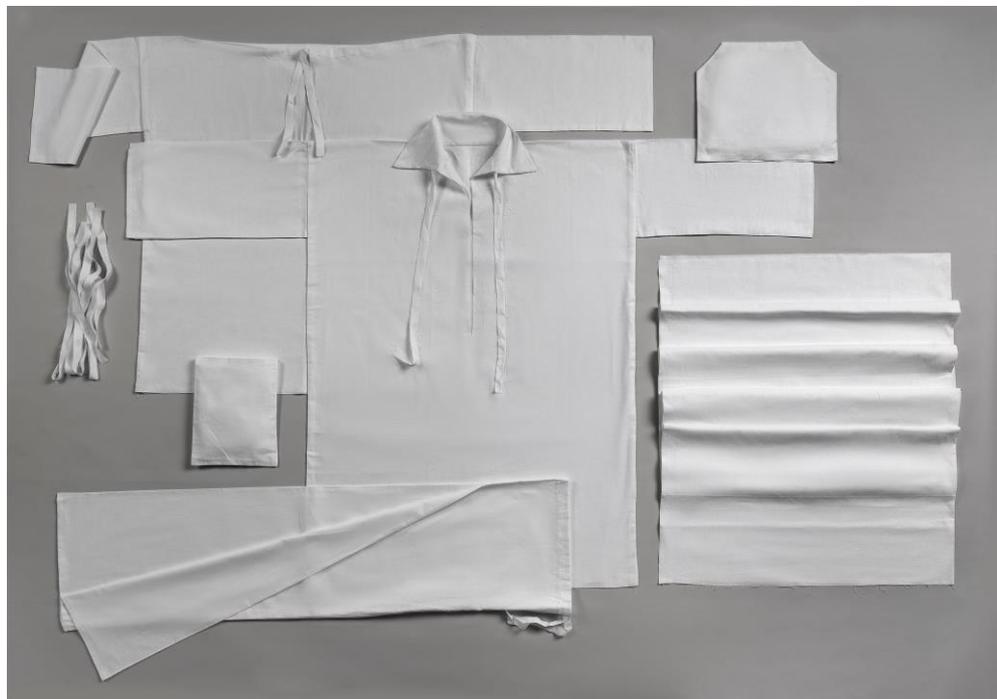
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Woman's and Man's **Burial Shrouds**, Morocco, 19th- 20th c.



A woman's set of **burial shrouds**, Suriname, 20th century



Man's **Burial shrouds**, New York, 2021



Women's caps
Central and Eastern Europe, mid-19th c.



Caps from Women's Shrouds,
Germany and Alsace, early 20th c.



The "Great Dress" ("berberisca")
Tetuan, Morocco, late 19th century



Robe from a woman's set of **burial shrouds**, Morocco, mid 20th c.



Man's cap from a set of burial shrouds
Germany, 1930's
Primarily worn together with the *Kitl* during
lifetime

Man's ritual robe (*kitl*)
Romania, early 20th century



Breast Kerchiefs (*Brusttuch*),
Poland, 19th c.



Breast Kerchiefs (*Brusttuch*) from
sets of women's shrouds
late 19th-early 20th c.



Woman's burial shrouds, Germany, late 19th-early 20th c.



Women from the Schwarzwald region in their traditional dress, early 20th c.

Postcard, The Brauer Collection, Photographic Archive of the Isidore and Anne Falk information center for Jewish Art And Life, IMJ



Items from Jewish Women's **burial shrouds**, Germany and Alsace, late 19th-early 20th c.





Gown and Vest from Women's shrouds, Germany and Alsace, early 20th c.



Max Tilke, Women from Switzerland and The Black Forest region (details), mid-19th - early 20th c.

From: Wolfgang Bruhn & Max Tilke, *A pictorial History of Costume* (New York, 1988 publication)



A Child's **Tallit Katan**, Alsace, early 20th C.



Vests from women's shrouds,
Germany and Alsace, late 19th-early 20th c.



Items from a man's **burial shrouds**, Alsace, early 20th c.



Short cape (*falter*), cap, and Robe (*sargenes*), from a man's burial shrouds, Alsace, early 20th c.



A Jewish wedding procession from:
Paul Kirchner, *Judisches Ceremoniel*, Nuremberg, Germany, 1724



New Year's service (left) and a deceased dressed in shrouds (right) from:
Paul Kirchner, *Judisches Ceremoniel*, Nuremberg, Germany, 1724



Gown from a set of woman's shrouds, Germany, early 20th c.



Man's cape, Morocco, mid 20th century



"Sovev" upper shroud from a man's set of burial shrouds, Morocco, mid 20th century



"Sovev" upper shroud from a man's set of burial shrouds Israel, 2019



Man's burial shrouds, Israel, 2019

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