

# Bed cover (colcha) - with scenes from the Old Testament

Textile and Costume Collection

**Accession Nr.:** 89.617.1 

**Date of production:** early 17th century

**Place of production:** India

**Materials:** flax yarn

**Techniques:** chain stitch

**Dimensions:** width: 213 cm  
length: 263 cm

In the outer band of the wide border there are small animals among foliage and in the corners in each of the round medallions there are scenes with figures. In the narrow inside band one sees hunters and game among the trees in each of the corners there is a nymph. The four corners of the middle field display scenes from the Old Testament framed with a snake, with illegible ribbon-like sentences. In the middle in triple circles are hunting scenes with real and imaginary creatures. In the middle are a man and woman facing each other.

## Literature

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