

QUIPU AS118

Museum identification: No. VA42601 (Museum für Völkerkunde, Berlin)

Main cord: color DØ:W

§ 4.5 cm: pendant cord (1), then space of 1.0 cm.

5.5 cm: group of 7 pendant cords (2-8), then space of 1.0 cm.

8.0 cm: group of 7 pendant cords (9-15), then space of 61.5 cm.

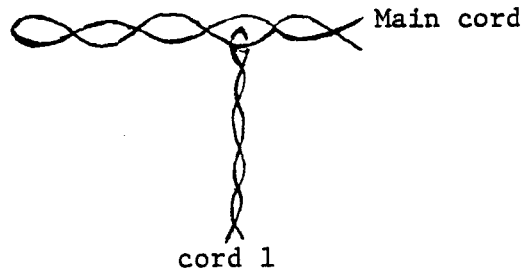
71.0 cm: end ç

Cord	Knots (no., type, position)	Length	Color	Value	Subsidiaries (no., position)
1*	--	25.0ç	RG:W	0	5:1.5-2.5
1s1	2s(8.0);6s(14.0);9s(21.0);6L(27.0)	40.5ç	W	2696	
1s2	1s(3.5);3s(7.5);1s(13.0);8s(19.5); 2L(25.5)	44.0ç	W	13182	
1s3	1s(3.5);4s(8.0);6s(14.0);5s(19.5); 8L(25.0)	43.0ç	W	14658	
1s4	1s(4.0);1s(8.0);5s(14.0);2s(19.0); 2L(24.5)	48.5ç	W	11522	
1s5	8s(8.0);5s(13.0);6s(18.5);5L(25.0)	39.0ç	W	8565	
2	6s(9.5);2s(14.5)	49.5ç	W	620	
3	4s(8.5);7s(14.5)	28.0ç	W	470	
4	5s(9.0);2s(14.0);8L(19.5)	34.0ç	W	528	
5	9s(10.0);3s(15.0);5L(20.0)	37.5ç	W	935	
6	4s(9.0);7s(15.0);4L(20.5)	31.0ç	W	474	
7	3s(9.5);1s(14.5);9L(19.5)	46.5ç	W	319	

Cord	Knots (no., type, position)	Length	Color	Value	Subsidiaries (no., position)
8	4s(9.5);5s(15.0);3L(20.5)	34.0¢	W	453	
9	4s(9.5);9s(15.5);2L(20.0)	25.5¢	W	492	
10	6s(9.0)	14.0b	W	6(5+)?	
11	--	1.5b	W	?	
12	--	1.0b	W	?	
13	4s(9.0)	11.5b	W	4??	
14	--	2.0b	W	?	
15	2s(9.0);7s(14.0);5L(20.0)	42.0¢	W	275	

Observations

- 1.* Construction note: Cord 1 is not a regular pendant attachment. The twisted end of the cord is linked through the strands of the main cord. Thus, its attachment to the main cord would have had to precede its being twisted and end knotted.



2. This is one of several quipus acquired by the Museum in 1907 with provenance Pachacamac. For a list of them, see AS97.
3. The order of magnitude of the values on pendants 2-15 differs from that of the subsidiaries of pendant 1. The values on the pendants are 275-935, while those on the subsidiaries are 2696-14658.
4. Three of the 7 values in the first group are multiples of 11 ($P_4=11 \cdot 48$, $P_5=11 \cdot 85$, $P_7=11 \cdot 29$). One of the 2 remaining values on unbroken pendants in the second group is a multiple of 11 ($P_{15}=11 \cdot 25$).