

QUIPU AS125

Museum identification: No. VA42670 (Museum für Völkerkunde, Berlin)

Main cord: color W

- § 5.0 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (1-4), then space of 1.5 cm.
 7.5 cm: group of 3 pendant cords (5-7), then space of 1.5 cm.
 10.0 cm: group of 5 pendant cords (8-12), then space of 1.5 cm.
 13.0 cm: group of 3 pendant cords (13-15), then space of 47.5 cm.
 61.5 cm: pendant cord (16), then space of 0.5 cm.
 62.0 cm: end ç

Cord	Knots (no., type, position)	Length	Color	Value	Subsidiaries (no., position)
1	1s(10.0);5s(20.0);1s(29.0);7L(39.0)	55.0ç	W	1517	
2	2s(10.0);3s(19.0);7s(38.5);3L(46.5)	62.5ç	W	2373	
3	6s(11.5);2s(20.0);9s(30.5);1E(37.5)	40.5	W	6291	
4	3s(11.0);4s(20.5);9s(30.0);5L(37.0)	53.5ç	W	3495	
5	4s(10.0);2s(20.0);1s(29.0);3L(36.5)	52.5ç	W	4213	
6	6s(10.5);3s(19.5);2s(28.5);3L(35.0)	52.0ç	W	6323	
7	4s(10.5);1s(19.5);2s(30.0);2L(36.5)	54.0ç	W	4122	
8	2s(9.5);2s(18.0);2s(27.5)	29.5b	W	222?	
9	4s(10.5);3s(18.0);7s(29.0);7L(35.0)	52.0ç	W	4377	
10	1s(10.0);2s(18.0);9s(28.0);2L(35.0)	51.0ç	W	1292	
11	1s(10.0);1s(18.0);6s(27.0);2L(34.0)	49.5ç	W	1162	
12	2s(11.0);3s(19.0);9s(29.0);3L(36.5)	55.0ç	W	2393	
13	3s(10.0);1s(18.0);1s(26.0);1s(37.0); 1s(39.0)	48.5ç	W	?	

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14	3s(11.0);3s(20.0);3s(29.0);2L(36.0)	54.0c	W	3332	
15	2s(10.5);1s(19.5);2s(27.0);2L(35.0)	53.0c	W	2122	
16	--	8.5b	YB	?	

Observations

1. This is one of several quipus acquired by the Museum in 1907 with provenance Pachacamac. For a list of them, see AS97.
2. All the pendants have 4-digit values. In 2 cases, adjacent values have common divisors: $P_{13}=9(699)$ and $P_{14}=5(699)$; $P_{42}=119(28)$ and $P_{43}=79(28)$.