

QUIPU AS144

Museum identification: No. VA42564 (Museum für Völkerkunde, Berlin)

Main cord: color LB:W

\$ 3.5 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (1-4), then space of 0.5 cm.
 5.0 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (5-8), then space of 0.5 cm.
 6.5 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (9-12), then space of 0.5 cm.
 8.0 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (13-16), then space of 0.5 cm. including
 marker (M1)
 9.5 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (17-20), then space of 0.5 cm.
 11.0 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (21-24), then space of 0.5 cm.
 12.5 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (25-28), then space of 0.5 cm.
 14.0 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (29-32), then space of 0.5 cm.
 15.5 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (33-36), then space of 0.5 cm. including
 marker (M2)
 17.0 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (37-40), then space of 0.5 cm.
 18.5 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (41-44), then space of 0.5 cm.
 20.0 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (45-48), then space of 0.5 cm.
 21.5 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (49-52), then space of 0.5 cm.
 23.0 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (53-56), then space of 24.0 cm.
 48.0 cm: group of 4 pendant cords (57-60), then space of 3.5 cm.
 52.5 cm: end ¢

Cord	Knots (no., type, position)	Length	Color	Value	Subsidiaries (no., position)
1	5s(6.0)	46.5¢	W	500	
2	4s(11.0)	39.5¢	LB:W	40	

Cord	Knots (no., type, position)	Length	Color	Value	Subsidiaries (no., position)
3	5s(11.0);2L(17.5)	39.0¢	W	52	
4	7s(12.0);3L(18.5)	33.0¢	W	73	
5	3s(5.0);5s(11.0)	42.5¢	W	350	
6	3s(10.5)	10.5b	LB:W	(3+)?	
7	5s(11.5);3L(18.5)	34.0¢	W	53	
8	7s(11.5);1E(18.5)	33.0¢	W	71	
9	5s(6.0);1s(12.0);6L(18.0)	26.5¢	W	516	
10	3s(11.0);3L(18.0)	43.0¢	LB:W	33	
11	5s(12.0)	37.0¢	W	50	
12	9s(12.0);2L(19.0)	32.5¢	W	92	
13	2s(6.0);4s(11.5);3L(18.5)	45.5¢	W	243	
14	4s(12.0);3L(18.5)	41.0¢	LB:W	43	
15	5s(12.0)	47.5¢	W	50	
16	4s(11.0);9L(18.0)	31.0¢	W	49	
M1		2.5	LB		
17	8s(6.5);3s(12.5);2L(18.0)	33.5¢	W	832	
18	7s(12.0);4L(17.5)	47.0¢	LB:W	74	
19	6s(13.0);3L(19.0)	30.5¢	W	63	
20	1s(6.0);6L(18.5)	35.0¢	W	106	
21	2s(6.5);8s(13.5);2L(20.0)	30.0¢	W	282	
22	3s(12.0);4L(19.0)	42.0¢	LB:W	34	
23	3s(12.0);3L(18.0)	42.5¢	W	33	
24	8s(12.5);5L(19.5)	34.0¢	W	85	

Cord	Knots (no., type, position)	Length	Color	Value	Subsidiaries (no., position)
25	5s(6.5);4s(12.5);3L(19.5)	30.0¢	W	543	
26	3s(13.0);3L(18.5)	44.0¢	LB:W	33	
27	4s(12.5)	12.5b	W	(4+)?	
28	6s(12.5);3L(19.0)	43.5¢	W	63	
29	4s(7.0);4s(13.0);4L(18.5)	33.0¢	W	444	
30	4s(12.5);2L(18.5)	40.0¢	LB:W	42	
31	6s(13.0);2L(19.5)	36.0¢	W	62	
32	7s(12.0);9L(19.5)	35.0¢	W	79	
33	2s(7.0);4s(13.0);2L(19.5)	35.0¢	W	242	
34	2s(12.5);4L(18.5)	41.0¢	LB:W	24	
35	3s(13.5);2L(20.5)	41.0¢	W	32	
36	4s(13.0);8L(20.0)	29.5¢	W	48	
M2		2.0¢	LB		
37	3s(7.0);5s(13.0);3L(19.0)	32.5¢	W	353	
38	5s(12.5);3L(18.5)	40.0¢	LB:W	53	
39	5s(12.5)	37.0¢	W	50	
40	6s(13.0);7L(18.5)	42.0¢	W	67	
41	5s(8.0);5s(14.5);3L(20.5)	39.0¢	W	553	
42	6s(13.5);2L(19.5)	41.0¢	LB:W	62	
43	2s(7.5);6L(18.0)	46.5¢	W	206	
44	1s(8.0);1s(13.5)	51.0¢	W	110	
45	3s(8.5);2s(13.0);3L(19.0)	39.5¢	W	323	
46	2s(13.0);5L(19.0)	45.5¢	LB:W	25	

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47	3s(13.0); 5L(19.0)	33.5¢	W	35	
48	6s(14.0); 3L(21.0)	39.5¢	W	63	
49	3s(8.5); 3s(14.0) 3L(20.0)	36.0¢	W	333	
50	5s(13.5); 6L(19.5)	39.0¢	LB:W	56	
51	7s(14.5); 8L(20.5)	31.0¢	W	78	
52	5s(13.5); 1E(20.0)	27.5	W	51	
53	1s(8.0); 7s(14.5); 5L(21.5)	32.0¢	W	175	
54	4s(14.5)	44.5¢	LB:W	40	
55	3s(14.5); 8L(21.0)	33.5¢	W	38	
56	7s(14.5); 1E(21.5)	36.0¢	W	71	
57	--	57.5¢	W	0	
58	--	51.5¢	LB:W	0	
59	--	46.5¢	W	0	
60	--	47.5¢	W	0	

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. By spacing and markers, the quipu is separated into 4 parts. The first part is 4 groups, the second and third parts are 5 groups each, and the last part is 1 group. All groups have 4 pendants with the same color pattern: W, LB:W, W, W.

3. All pendants in the group in the last part are zero-valued (or blank). None of the other pendants are zero-valued.
4. In the first 3 parts, in every group, the pendant in the first position has the maximum value. The value exceeds the sum of the other 3 values in the group.