

Name Pinakol Kudat
(Kudat Pinakol
Beading)

Country Malaysia

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Main characteristics/features

'Pinakol' refers to the stringing of beads to be made into decorative bead necklaces. Pinakol beading is used as accessories to go with Rungus traditional attire. It is also used as decorative necklaces by both women and men. In addition, as accessories to complement Rungus traditional attire, Pinakol beading is also valued by others as souvenirs, for self-adornment and to be included as part of personal collections.

Geographical area

Pinakol beading in Kudat is concentrated in Kampung Tinagol, Kampung Hobut, Kampung Tuit, Kampung Pinawantai, Kampung Lajong, Kampung Tambuluran, Kampung Tinutadan, Kampung Minyak, Kampung Bavangazo, Kampung Mompilis, and Kampung Pinodsuon.

Production/processing

Pinakol beading is still based on traditional methods that preserve its originality. Its quality is closely connected to the compact arrangement of beads and choice of colours. It follows preparation of twisted [warp] threads, *pais*, *rangou* and scissors. The threads will be tied to a wooden dowel and their ends burnt with a candle. Beads are then strung onto the threads attached to the dowel. The final process is to shape and complete the motif.

Link between product and territory

The largest producer of Pinakol beading is in Kampung Tinagol located in the subdistrict of Matunggong in Kudat district. The traditional knowledge of Pinakol beading inherited by the Rungus community from their ancestors has become a unique entity in development of the craft industry in Kudat and Sabah in particular. The handicraft of the Rungus women is renowned for its uniqueness, fine craftsmanship and quality, as well as the applications of motifs highly influenced by the lives of the Rungus themselves.

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