## YAKAN CLOTH

Woven using body-tension backstrap looms,
Yakan weavings feature colorful and elaborate geometric
designs and patterns that draw inspiration from nature.
A closer look at a Yakan tapestry may reveal a combination of rice grains,
mountains, flowers and dragons. This art of weaving hails from the island
of Basilan in Southern Philippines and has traditionally fulfilled practical
functions and played a part in religion and rituals.

## **PHILIPPINES**