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## « Ahwach »

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Ahwach is a very famous dance in our village, it called ADAY- is a small village in south of Morocco - we celebrate any party, marriage...with this dance. In this dance men who just have right to participate in, for women is interdict because they have their own or special dance, they have just right to watch it. Ahwach should be very organized; men must wear special cloths: "Jellaba" is long and white."Takhassit" it's an epic clout, its color is white they put it on their apex, and I can't forget a very important symbol, is the dirk which wear men when they dance, this symbol reflect the force of men and their hardiness, its color is red. About shoepack they wear "Idokan" its color is yellow. Men dance in a group in middle should set down a group of musical person with special tools of music. A person don't dance with this group, his principal role is to organize the group, by doing like his movement in dance. The person who have right to participate in Ahwach should be between 20 to 50 years. For people who have more than 50 years if they want, but rarely because in all time their role is to say poem. The person who say poem called "Andam". For child, they should be present to see their traditions and see how the old men do it because is the principal way to protect or to guaranty continuation of our traditions.



**Ahwach**



**Dirk**



**Ahwach**



**Idokan**

*Women cloths*

The cloths of women are very different, for us woman should wear large cloths but the most famous are “Lfrtita”: it’s a long skirt it can be in any color, but in marriage it should be white, and “Addal”, as you see in picture, she cover with it her apex. For color woman wear it in any color except in marriage or ceremonies it should be white. In our culture the symbol of woman is argent, as you see she put it in her hands and apex. For us the argent reflects the purity and beauty of woman. For argent which wear woman, we call it ‘ikchouchn’. About shoepack, women have it in red color; she is different than man because he has a yellow color. For name, woman and man have the same name of shoepack, it called ‘Idokan’.

