

Interconnections between Egypt and Kush: Kushite Innovations on Royal Egyptian Clothing

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Abstract:

The Kushite Twenty-fifth Dynasty Royal clothing was characterized with many innovative items appeared on traditional Egyptian clothing in various types of garments and cloaks. Due to the longtime of interaction between Egypt and Kush, it is worth noting that Kushite royal clothing reveals many Egyptian influences. In this article, the authors try to answer the following important question about interconnections between Egyptian and Kushite clothing during the period: Did the Kushites adapt all Egyptian clothing items only without creating their own clothing regalia? The article concludes with that the Kushites did not imitate Egyptian clothing tradition directly, but composited new trend combining both Egyptian and Kushite traditions in order to appease Egyptians as well as their own people.

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