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# **IFAS PATTERN**

TEXTILE DESIGN

SOUTH AFRICA

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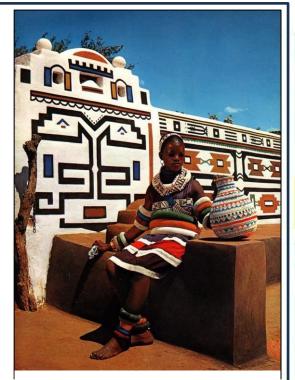
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# SYMBOLIC INTERPRETATION

During my early childhood, I found myself drawn to the traditional Pedi homesteads scattered across the surroundings of Phokwane. Each school holiday, when we visited my grandparents' home, I noticed a striking interplay: their household was modern in every sense, yet nestled within a community where ancestral traditions still flourished. What captivated me most was the patience and artistry of the women in the village, who would carefully inscribe patterns onto well-plastered walls and floors. Their deliberate strokes transformed ordinary surfaces into rhythmic tapestries—an intimate act of beautifying their personal spaces that, in turn, commanded the admiration of every passerby.

The France in South Africa Pattern emerges from these early impressions, deeply rooted in the recognizable visual language of indigenous Nguni and Pedi motifs. These designs, composed of strong, confident lines of varying depths, embrace the purity of geometry while bearing the unmistakable signature of the human hand. Within this framework, symbolic codes take form: the IFAS address, "62 Juta Street," is abstracted into six dots accompanied by two more, encircling a central Nguni motif—an echo of dice that alludes to Johannesburg, the city of chances. Subtle typographic elements, such as the refined "F.R" for France and "S.A" for South Africa, are seamlessly interwoven into the geometrics and lines, ensuring that the identity of both nations becomes part of the visual fabric.

To anchor this cultural interplay, the application of the French national colours—red, blue, and white—adds a final flourish. They are not mere decoration but symbolic accents that elevate the design into an emblem of unity. What emerges is more than a pattern: it is an authentic cultural integration, where South African visual storytelling gracefully merges with the essence of French heritage. Together, they create a visual dialogue that is both timeless and resonant, a celebration of place, identity, and shared cultural memory.















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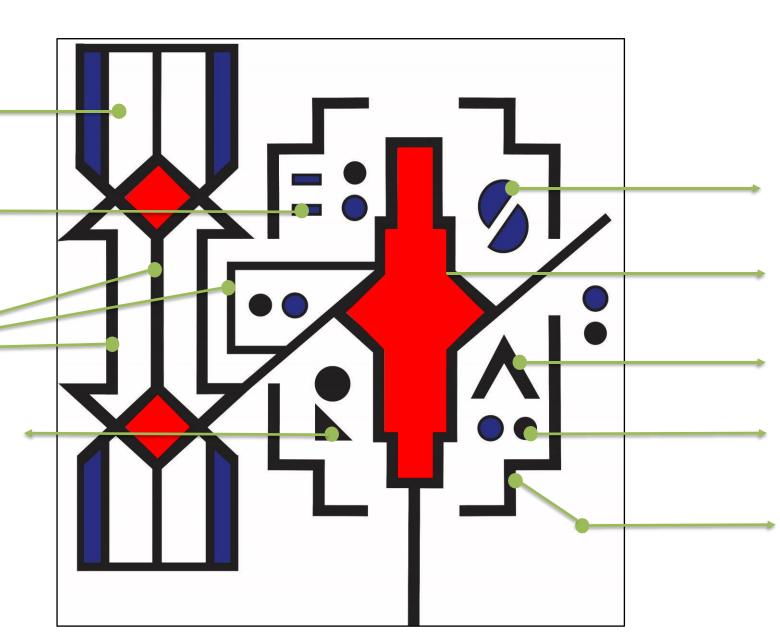
TRADITIONAL INDIGENOUS NGUNI MOTIF

SIMPLIFIED "F" for FRANCE

TRADITIONAL DECORATIVE SEPEDI LINE DRAWINGS

DEPICTED ON THE WALLS & FLOORS OF HOMESTEADS MADE FROM MUD/ COW DUNG

SIMPLIFIED "R" IN FRANCE



SIMPLIFIED "S" for SOUTH

TRADITIONAL INDIGENOUS NGUNI MOTIF

SIMPLIFIED "A" for AFRICA

IFAS ADDRESS 62 JUTA SIGNIFY NUMBER 62 HENCE THE 6 CIRCLES & 2 ADDITIONAL CIRCLES

TRADITIONAL INDIGENOUS NGUNI MOTIF

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# PATTERN COLOUR APPLICATION

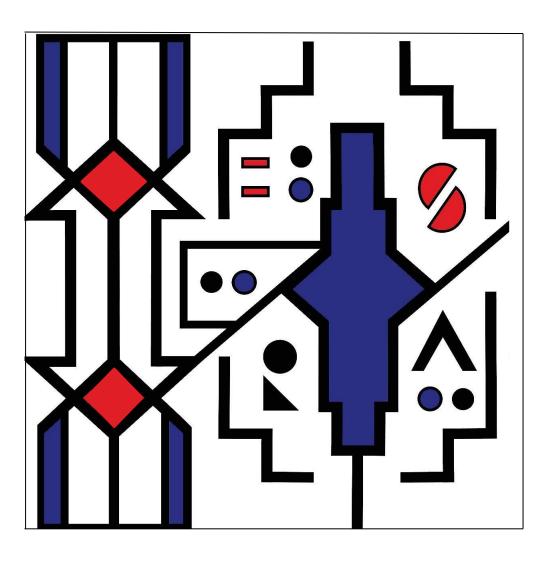
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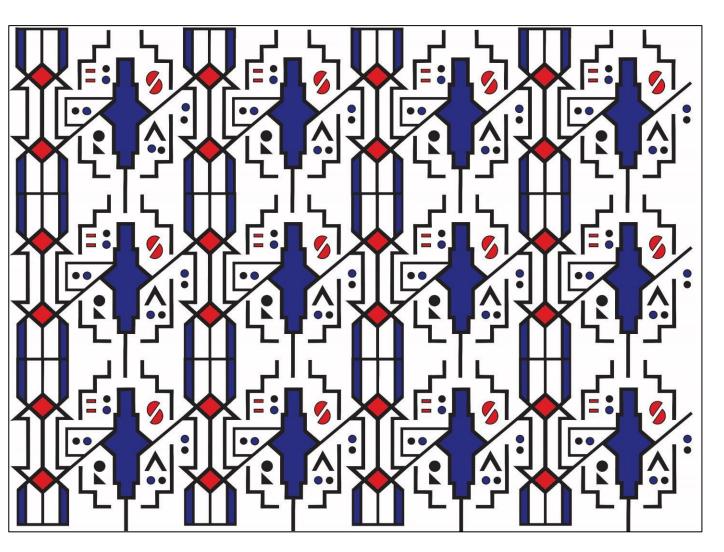


France Flag Blue Color
Hex: #000091 / RGB: 0, 0, 145
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France Flag Red Color
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France Flag White Color Hex: #FFFFFF / RGB: 255, 255, 255 www.flagcolorcodes.com/france





# PATTERN APPLICATION





Tote bag with thin white embroidered frame SIZE (h) 42cm x (w) 38cm



# PATTERN APPLICATION x4 repeats











Printed front cover SIZE (L) 21cm x (w) 14.5cm

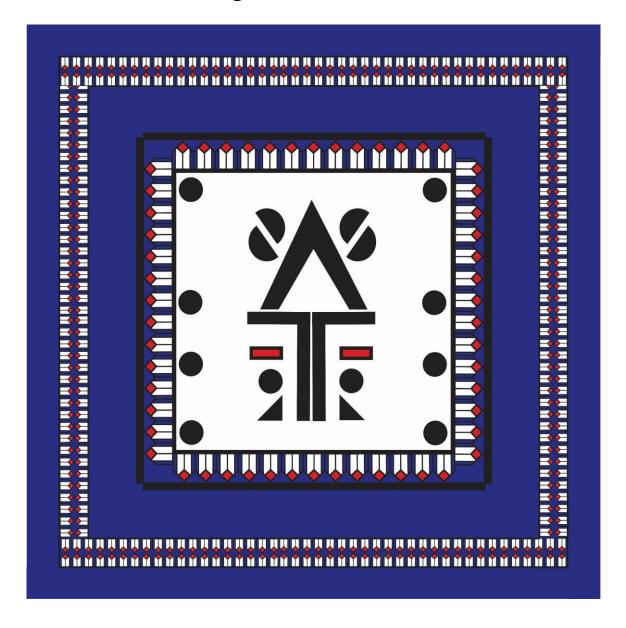
# PATTERN APPLICATION x6 repeat





Printed front cover SIZE (L) 21cm x (w) 14.5cm

#### **Original SCARF PATTERN**





PRINTED SILK SCARF SIZE (L) 65cm x (w) 65cm

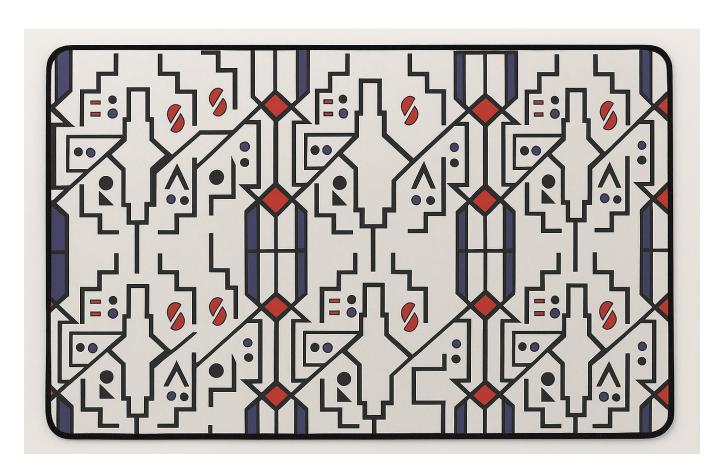
# SCARF MOCKUPS





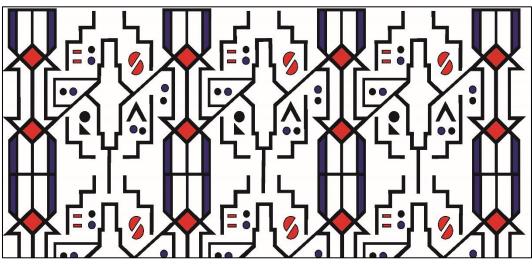


#### PATTERN APPLICATION



Printed desk pad SIZE (L) 62cm x (w) 30cm

#### **Original SCARF PATTERN**

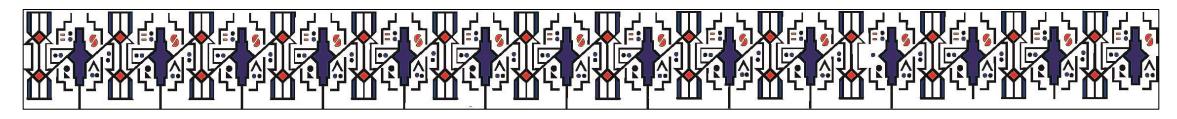


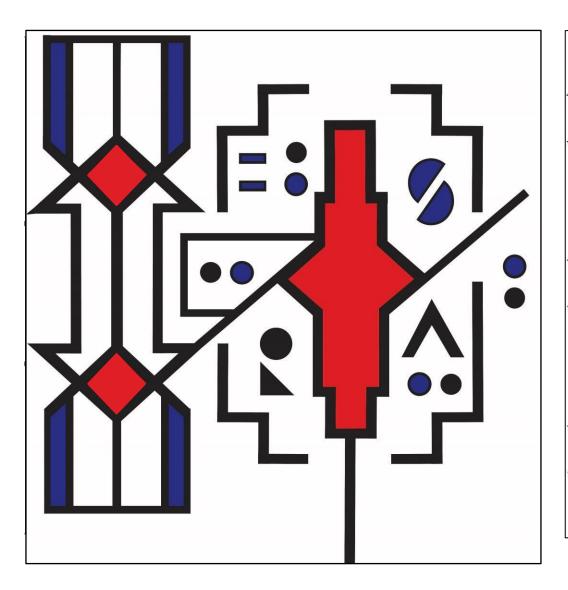
FEWER REPEATS X 3 AND HALFS
NO COLOUR ON THE NGUNI SYMBOLS

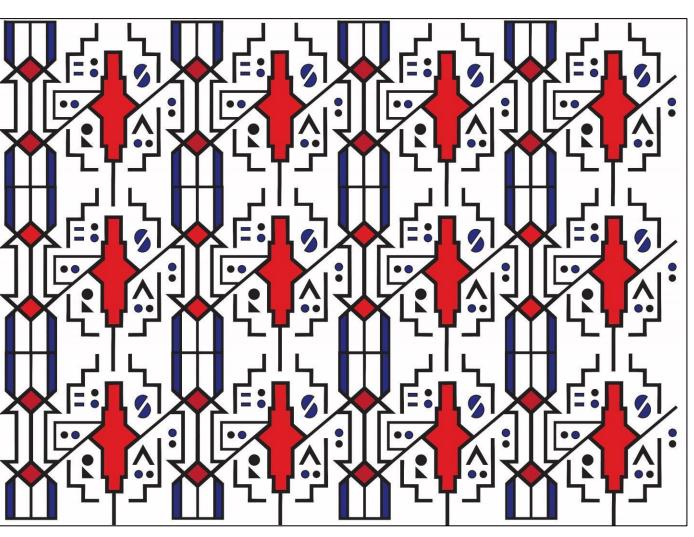


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**Second Colourway** 

# PATTERN APPLICATION



**RING BIND NOTE BOOK MOCKUP** 





**DESKPAD** 

**TOTE BAG MOCKUP** 

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