



# "Come together-connecting people in times of Corona by culture". Linen made by my grandmother and fancywork

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# My grandmother and linen

- lived in the area between the Low and High Tatras - mountains 250 km far from Bratislava.
- In the region Liptov.
- Couldn't visit her often in the 1960s although she lived since 1883.
- My personal souvenir from this period: linen, which she made.
- As a child I was picking the plants.
- Ready linen had to be watered
- Was laid in the sun to whiten it.





## How is linen made?

- The plants had to be soaked in water and brushed after drying
- Afterward the yarn was spun – see picture



<u>http://survivor.sk</u>

• The canvas (linen) was woven on Linen loom



https://www.oravskemuzeum.sk

# Grassing and decorating of linen



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Often decorated by the crossing fancywork Woven linen was used for making ceremonial, home and utility textiles or clothing



Linen was made in many regions of Slovakia

Pictures: Personal archive, own linen, schoolmate of my senior student



#### Fancywork on the folk linen dresses

Region Horehronie
 Village Polomka





#### Folk song from Horehronie

- Acordeon player and me
- Song "Horehron dolehron ja som horehronka"



"Horehron dolehron ja som horehronka, podte chlapci do nás budem vám frajerka. Poďte chlapci do nás u nás sú dievčatá, za našimi humny pšenička nežatá. Pšenička nežatá lúčka nekosená a na tej lúčine štyri kopy sena. Štyri kopy sena piata ďatelina nebudem, nebudem mojej materina".

#### Thank you for your attention

