

Doomadgee State School

Warurrungu Dusk

Our artwork is inspired by our culture and the bushland that surrounds us. It represents the bush turkey, the Australian Bustard (Warurrungu) we hunt in Doomadgee, a tradition that holds deep meaning for us, as it is something we have shared with our families for generations and will continue to pass on. The Australian bustard holds cultural significance for many Aboriginal communities.

The Australian Bustard is one of Australia's largest birds. Their average size is 1m tall and their weight ranges from 4.5kg - 10kg. It is mainly a grey and brown bird, speckled with dark markings, with a pale neck and black crown, with a slight crest and a white eyebrow. There are bold black and white markings on the wing. The female is slightly smaller than the male. Newly hatched chicks are striped dark and light.

To create our artwork, each of us illustrated our own special hunting stories on the panels of the skirt. The feathers used were gathered from our Country and generously gifted to us by community members following a family hunting trip.

We also went on an excursion on Country to draw inspiration for the colours used in the fabric.

Thank you for allowing us to share our culture with you. We hope you enjoy and connect with our artwork.

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Bush Turkey feathers for neck and hip piece, satin panels with textured metallic paint, faux metallic leather.



