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Article: VEGETAL SYMBOLISM IN TRADITIONAL MOLDOVAN TEXTILES / **SIMBOLISMUL MOTIVELOR VEGETALE ÎN ȚESĂTURILE TRADIȚIONALE DIN REPUBLICA MOLDOVA**

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**Abstract:** The study explores the symbolic meanings of decoration in traditional textiles, regarded as a complex system of signs and motifs imbued with semantic and cultural values. It emphasizes the fundamental role of imagery in the human relationship with nature, particularly after it acquired symbolic significance. The paper highlights the spirit of preservation inherent in the decorative language specific to traditional textiles which reflect the artistic and ethnohistorical identity of the communities that produced them. The analysis focuses on vegetal motifs, interpreted from semantic and semiotic perspectives, underscoring their thematic and expressive relevance within the context of traditional textile art.

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