

**CHINTZ** (Hind. *cint*, *cit*, Beng. *cit*, chintz, from Skt. *chitra*, spotted, variegated). A highly glazed printed cotton fabric, with a pattern in many colors on a white or light-colored ground. It was used for bed hangings and other purposes where gay colors were desired and where there was much exposure to dust, which does not readily adhere to its highly calendered surface. See CRETONNE.