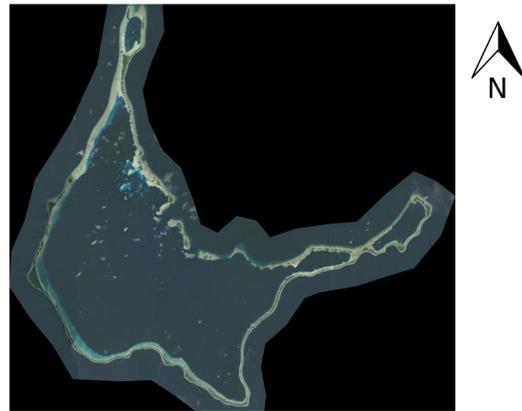


ARNO ATOLL

Aolepān Aorōkin Maje!



Map of Arno



Arno consists of over 100 islands with 5 square miles of land area and 43 communities. The capital of Arno is Ine. Arno was once referred to as *Arno Ekanono* or *Place with Plenty Waves*.

Ļapio and Batle Legend Sites



SOURCE: IREI

100 0 100 200 300 400 m

Legend
■ Rocksites
● Footprints

Arno Bags



Materials



✓ *kimej*: string from processed young coconut leaves



✓ *lo*: processed hibiscus skin

Hibiscus tiliaceus



Pandanus caricosus

✓ *maanrar*: processed green pandanus leaves

✓ *maanbil*: dried pandanus leaves

1



Weave Inside Layer

Make the inside of the basket weaving with *maanbil* onto a predetermined-sized wooden box.

Weave Outside Layer

2

Cut cardboard box to the same size as Step 1. Attach box onto the inside weaving. Weave the *kimej* into handles and attach to cardboard. Start weaving the outside of the basket with *maanrar* following the predetermined shape.



3



Create Designs

Add colored pandanus leaves to make designs on the sides and front of the basket.

4



Finish Weaving

Complete weaving the entire basket.

Complete Edges

5

Sew *lo* on the top edges of the basket with coconut strings to make it look presentable.



6



The end result is a beautiful Arno bag that can be used for church, parties, and more.

Ļapio and Batle



(left) Using a normal foot to measure the size of the eroded giant's foot embedded in the limestone. (right) Boulders found in the area close to the footprints in Ane Doul.

There is a legend in Arno-Arno about two *alap* (noblemen), Ļapio and Batle, who were giants. They lived in Ulien and one day, they saw the Irojilaplap (paramount chief) of Majuro attacking the Irojilaplap Rilon of Arno. The two *alap* started to throw massive stones from Ulein to try to sink the canoes from Majuro. They ran from Ulein to Arno-Arno to aid their Irojilaplap Rilon in trying to repel the invaders. Today, the eroded footprints left by Ļapio and Batle still exist on the northwestern shores of the Ane Doul Island between Ulein and Arno-Arno. And in the surrounding reef flats, large boulders can be found all over this area and are the remnants of rocks thrown by the two *alap*.

Unique to Arno



(left) Arno is famous for its unique delicacy known as *jaiborara* or beach worms.

(right) Bamboo are found growing in Jabo. It is one of the few places in the Republic to have such an introduced species thriving in this environment.

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