



# Placage, Lubongo

*Authored raffia weave material*

Original authored asset (not corpus-based)

MOTIF

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| <b>Name</b>    | Lubongo, the Kikongo word for raffia cloth (plural mbongo).                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Meaning</b> | In the Kongo Kingdom, raffia cloth was associated with nobility and used as currency, which is why mbongo still means money in Kikongo and Lingala. The Kikongo name marks a new Kongo-designed work, not a translated Kuba piece. |
| <b>Source</b>  | None. No corpus piece is claimed. Inspired by Kuba hook and maze forms and a raffia bag held by the designer, reworked rather than copied.                                                                                         |

CREATION

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| <b>Designer</b> | Nsaka Sandrine NGANGA, who composed and named the motif in 2026.                                                                                                     |
| <b>Digital</b>  | Ground weave modelled fibre by fibre, using the same master weave graph as the documented assets. Adjustable: motif scale, fibre width, weave density, both colours. |

DIGITAL ASSET

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| <b>Format</b> | Seamless parametric PBR material (Base Color, Normal, Roughness, Height, AO).<br>Adobe Substance 3D Designer ; tested in CLO3D. |
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CREDIT AND RIGHTS

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| <b>Credit</b>     | Lubongo. Motif composed and named by Nsaka Sandrine NGANGA, 2026. KIMA3D.                                                                                                      |
| <b>Rights</b>     | Authored asset. Copyright Nsaka Sandrine NGANGA, 2026. No third-party source claimed. The 3D asset file is not included in this dataset and is held within the KIMA3D library. |
| <b>Asset page</b> | <a href="https://kima3d.com/product/placage-lubongo">kima3d.com/product/placage-lubongo</a>                                                                                    |

Preview file in this folder: Lubongo\_sphere.jpg · Nsaka Sandrine NGANGA, LJMU, 2026