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from the interior, and the Portuguese explorers and traders who settled in the Senegambia region. What came to be known as 'Portuguese' style symbolized the wealth and power of Luso-Africans, who identified themselves as 'Portuguese' so they could be
