CLAIMS

1. A travel accessory configured to be wrapped around a user's neck, the travel accessory comprising:

a scarf element comprising an elongated length of fabric material including a pocket at a first end and a fastener at a second end;

a support frame including a head engaging portion, a shoulder engaging portion, and a neck engaging portion, the neck engaging portion including a curved profile to emulate the shape of the user's neck, the head engaging portion and the shoulder engaging portion each comprising a first limb and a second limb, the neck engaging portion connecting one end of the first limb of the head engaging portion to one end of the first limb of the shoulder engaging portion and one end of the second limb of the head engaging portion to one end of the second limb of the shoulder engaging portion thereby defining a substantially H-shaped support frame, the H-shaped support frame insertable into the pocket such that the first and second limbs of the head engaging portion and the shoulder engaging portion are arranged normal to an axis of the scarf,

wherein, when in use,

the pocket containing the support frame is pressed against the user's neck such that the neck engaging portion engages the user's neck,

the head engaging portion is located adjacent a user's jaw line,

the shoulder engaging portion is located adjacent a user's shoulder,

the support frame is secured against the user's neck by passing the second end of the scarf around the user's neck within the elongated length of fabric material, and

the second end of the elongated length of fabric material is secured to an external surface of the scarf thereby securing the neck engaging portion against the user's neck such that the H-shaped support frame is positioned for the head engaging portion to provide a rest for a user's head when the user's head is tilted towards the support frame.

2. The travel accessory of claim 1, wherein the support frame is substantially constant thickness.

3. The travel accessory of claim 1 or claim 2, wherein the support frame has a first surface and a second surface.

4. The travel accessory of claim 3, wherein the first surface is substantially convex.

5. The travel accessory of claim 3 or claim 4, wherein the second surface is substantially concave.

6. The travel accessory of any of claims 3 to 5, wherein the first surface is, directly or indirectly, a user engaging surface.

7. The travel accessory of any of claims 3 to 6, wherein the head engaging portion and the shoulder engaging portion define the first surface.

8. The travel accessory of any of claims 3 to 7, wherein first surface and the second surface are substantially parallel.

9. The travel accessory of any preceding claim, wherein the support frame defines a continuous surface.

10. The travel accessory of any preceding claim, wherein the support frame is a sheet.

11. The travel accessory of any preceding claim, wherein the support frame is a flexible sheet.

12. The travel accessory of any preceding claim, wherein the support frame is resilient.

13. The travel accessory of any preceding claim, wherein the head engaging portion is substantially flat.

14. The travel accessory of any preceding claim, wherein the first head engaging portion limb and the second head engaging portion limb are connected by a head engaging portion connecting member.

15. The travel accessory of any preceding claim, wherein the first shoulder engaging portion limb and the second shoulder engaging portion limb are connected by a shoulder engaging portion connecting member.

16. The travel accessory of any preceding claim, wherein the shoulder engaging portion first and second limbs are adapted to straddle a user’s shoulder.

17. The travel accessory of any preceding claim, wherein the support structure further comprises a head engaging portion bridging means connecting the first head engaging portion limb to the second head engaging portion limb.

18. The travel accessory of any of claims 15 to 17 when dependent on claim 15, wherein the support structure comprises a shoulder engaging portion bridging means connecting an end of the first shoulder engaging portion limb to an end of the second shoulder engaging portion limb, the first and second shoulder engaging portion limb ends being distal from the head engaging portion.

19. The travel accessory of claim 18, wherein the shoulder engaging portion bridging means extends over the shoulder, in use, to distribute the weight of the user’s head over a greater area.

20. The travel accessory of any of claims 17 to 19, wherein the head engaging portion bridging means and the shoulder engaging portion bridging means are defined by the scarf.

21. The travel accessory of claim 20, wherein the head engaging portion bridging means and the shoulder engaging portion bridging means are defined by the pocket of the scarf.

22. The travel accessory of claim 20 or claim 21, wherein the bridging means is a web.

23. The travel accessory of any preceding claim, wherein the support frame is adapted, in use, to compress under the weight of a user’s head.

24. The travel accessory according to any one of claims 15 to 23, wherein the head engaging portion connecting member and the shoulder engaging connecting member may engage as the support frame compresses.

25. The travel accessory of claim 24, wherein upon engagement of the connecting members, the connecting members resist further compression of the support frame.