

Paduka (Indian footwear)

India / South Asia Collection

Accession Nr.:	50.760.1-2 
Type:	costumes
Date of production:	19th c. Colonial period
Place of production:	India
Materials:	brass cable; wood
Techniques:	inlay
Dimensions:	height: 10 cm width: 26 cm

An ancient Indian footwear type. The name paduka is derived from the Sanskrit word padaraksha: foot protection. The shoe is simply a wooden sole with a knob between the toes. This pair is a special piece decorated with brass inlay.

