

Kris

Southeast Asian Collection

Accession Nr.:	53.6.1-2 
Type:	religious or cult object; weapons and armament; metalwork; carving
Date of production:	19th century
Place of production:	Java or Bali, Indonesia, Southeast Asia
Materials/Techniques:	iron, steel, silver, wood, copper, hammered, carved
Dimensions:	length: 43.2 cm width: 13.2 cm

Wave-shaped blade, made of steel and meteoric iron. The carved hilt of the kris (Indonesian: keris) in question depicts a human figure with a slightly protruding head, a subtle hint that the object may have been the property of a person of high rank. The base of the hilt is gripped by a silver strap, and the case is made of wood and copper.

