

Minang kettle (Malay: kendi)

Southeast Asian Collection

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Type: **object for daily use; metalwork**

Date of production: **19th century**

Place of production: **Sumatra, Indonesia, Southeast Asia**

Materials/Technique
s: **brass, cast, chiselled, openwork**

Dimensions: **height: 22 cm**

Brass kettle, with a lotus bud finial on the lid and an open-work fringed sprout. In the Minangkabau culture, this vessel was usually used to store liquid for handwashing, but sometimes also for drinking water. The raised base was necessary because the place of eating was the bare earth.

