

Betel container

Southeast Asian Collection

Accession Nr.: 7140 

Type: object for daily use

Date of production: early 20th century

Place of production: Java, Indonesia, Southeast Asia

Materials/Techniques: bamboo, carved, incised

Dimensions: height: 9 cm
diameter: 2.7 cm

The surface of this bamboo container is divided into fields separated by circular bands. It was probably used to store the ingredients of the betel. This function and form is quite common on the islands, but the motif varies from region to region and may also bear indications of the status of the owner.

