

Disc, bi with the inscription Emperor Qianlong (1736–1795)

Chinese Collection

Accession Nr.:	62.562.1 
Type:	religious or cult object; jade; stone carving
Date of production:	2000–1500 BC Shang dynasty
Place of production:	China
Materials:	jade
Techniques:	faceted
Dimensions:	diameter: 7.2 cm vastagság: 0.85 cm

Chinese tradition calls discs with large diameter but small central hole bi discs. Discs of different size and proportion (like collared discs, notched discs, and rings) came to light during excavations of tombs dated to the Shang and the beginning of the Western Zhou period.

