

# Lying dog

Chinese Collection

Accession Nr.: 50.155.1 

Type: statuette; funeral object; pottery

Date of production: 618 AD–906 AD  
Tang dynasty

Place of production: China

Materials: earthenware

Techniques: with traces of paint

Dimensions: height: 3.3 cm  
width: 9.5 cm

The figure depicts a lying, curled-up dog. Its head is resting between its outstretched legs; it has pulled its tail to its body. The red earthenware body was covered with slip; by now, most of it has worn off. Ceramic figures of dogs often occur in the Han period (206 BC–220 AD); glazed and unglazed variations are both known

