Basic Detail Report



Boar Mask

Date

early-mid 20th century

Primary Maker Papua New Guinea

Medium

Wood, rattan, coconut fibers,pigment, Turbo petholatus opercula, cottan trade cloth

Description

Helmet mask depicting a composite boar and bird, made of wood and rattan, lined with cloth. The face has intricate openwork carving and is painted with fine lines in red, and black pigments over a white ground. A ruff of coconut fibers encircling back of head and fringe on chin. Snout of

warthog has a bird with long bill, which is broken and glued together. Eyes of warthog and bird are made of snail shells (opercula). Trade cloth liner is made of two pieces of different floral patterns.

Dimensions

11 1/2 x 13 x 23 in. (29.2 x 33 x 58.4 cm)