



Dagger

Date

1800-1902

Medium

Steel, brass, wood, leather

Description

Ashante dagger and sheath. The dagger has a black wood and brass cruciform handle, and a cross guard of brass. It has a steel blade which has been grooved, indented and pierced for poison. The sheath is made of red leather mounted with bands of brass and finished with a tassel at the base. Western Africa.