

Basic Detail Report



Box

Date
1800-1900

Medium
Wood, shell

Description
Treasure box carved to store treasures such as jade ornaments, combs and feathers. Treasure boxes were often hung from the rafters of the chief's house and were carved underneath where designs could be seen. This one was possibly carved by a European or by an inexperienced Maori carver as the style of the decorations, the design elements and the carving techniques used are very crude. Oceania/Maori.

Dimensions
Object/Work: 615 x 130 mm