

Basic Detail Report



Pendant

Date
1700-1799

Medium
Whale tooth

Description
Ornament made from a whale's tooth. Used as an important item in gift presentation and exchange. Tabua are worn around the neck and attached to kava bowls with plaited cord. This tabua was collected on one of the voyages of Captain James Cook. It was kept by Richard Cuming as a natural history specimen.

Dimensions
Object/Work: 190 x 178 mm