Object: Pendant made from tiger claws

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Description

Only exceptional warriors were permitted to wear this jewellery as a mark of distinction. Unauthorized wearers would be no match for the unique power of tiger claws. The Naga have a special relationship to tigers. Some Naga, so-called tiger people, can be possessed by a tiger spirit. The Namzik Naga today refer to themselves as Wancho, Nocte or Konyak Naga.

Collector: Ehlers, Otto Ehrenfried

Basic data

Material/Technique: Tiger claws, putty, seed capsule Elaeocarpus

ganitrus; plant fiber

Measurements: Length x width x height: 9.5 x 11.6 x 1.7 cm;

Events

Created When 1851-1900

Who Namzik-Naga

Where India

Collected When 1892-1894

Who Otto Ehrenfried Ehlers (1855-1895)

Where Arunachal Pradesh

Keywords

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- Tigerklaue