Object: Sword (dao)

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Description

The sword consists of an axe-like part made of iron and a wooden hilt. This particular sword or machete is decorated with tufts of hair and used mostly for ritual purposes. Daos without ornamentation are used as a tool or weapon, for example in headhunting. They are still commonly used by all Naga groups today.

Basic data

Material/Technique: Metal; Wood; hair
Measurements: Object: 70 x 15 x 7 cm

Events

Created When 1851-1894

Who Borduaria-Naga

Where Arunachal Pradesh

Collected When 1892-1894

Who Otto Ehrenfried Ehlers (1855-1895)

Where

Keywords

- Haumesser
- Headhunting
- Ritual
- machete