

	<p>Object: Ritual Basket</p> <p>Museum: Ethnologisches Museum Arnimallee 27 14195 Berlin 030 / 83 01 273 em@smb.spk-berlin.de</p> <p>Collection: Süd- und Südostasien, Naga-Sammlung</p> <p>Inventory number: I C 27981</p>
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Description

The basket is woven from various plant fibres and decorated with grass tassels as well as a wooden head, strips of fur and bird beaks.

These baskets were carried by Naga men for headhunting, in battle and for dance rituals associated with headhunting. The carved head indicates that the owner was a successful headhunter.

Collector: Charles Dowding, a missionary working with the Naga in what was then Assam.

Basic data

Material/Technique:	plant fibres, grass tassels, fur, wood, bird breaks
Measurements:	Height x width x depth: 31 x 33 x 15 cm; Weight:

Events

Created	When	1851-1895
	Who	Naga people
	Where	Nagaland
Collected	When	
	Who	Dowding, C.
	Where	

Keywords

- Basket
- Headhunting
- Man
- Ritual