



## Figure Seated on a Metate Bench

### Date

ca. 1000-1550

### Primary Maker

Greater Nicoya

### Medium

pottery and paint

### Description

A grinning female figure is depicted squatting on a ceremonial bench which is often mistaken for a metate or grinding stone. A feline head is positioned at either end of the seat. Fretwork panels serve as legs for the bench. Luna ware was a type of polychrome ceramic produced in large quantities for trade during Period VI.

### Dimensions

Overall: 7 3/8 x 6 1/4 x 3 1/2 in. (18.7 x 15.9 x 8.9 cm)