

Basic Detail Report



Vessel Lid

Date

ca. 600-900

Primary Maker

Maya (archaeological culture)

Medium

pottery and paint

Description

Plants of great economic importance were often abstracted into geometric designs on Maya ceramics and especially on daily tools such as spindle whorls. This lovely bowl was made to cover a larger jar, perhaps a

storage container of some type. The seven petals of this piece recall the cross section of a ripe cotton boll or squash fruit, both plants that contributed to long distance trade throughout the Maya region.

Dimensions

Overall: 1 7/8 x 6 3/4 in. (4.8 x 17.1 cm)