

# Basic Detail Report

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## Bag

### Date

20th Century

### Medium

Fiber, various animal bones, leaves and stone

### Description

Traditionally, magic bags are used by powerful men, sorcerers, and healers to hold talismans, stones, bits of bark or cloth, mosses, and bones - all the artifacts that a healer needs to conduct his business, and connect him to the source of any problems, diseases, or evil spirits within the village. In the Chimbu region of the Highlands of New Guinea, belief in sorcery and reincarnation continues to be very strong despite the presence of missionaries in the region for more than half a century.

### Dimensions

13 7/8 × 11 1/2 × 8 7/8 in. (35.2 × 29.2 × 22.5 cm)