



Breadfruit Pounder

Date

19th Century

Medium

Basalt

Description

Pounders such as this one were used to mash root vegetables or breadfruit into a paste, a delicious and nutritious traditional dish called poi. The design of this pounder is modest and representative of the utilitarian craftsmanship of the Society Islands.

Dimensions

5 3/4 × 3 3/8 × 3 1/4 in. (14.6 × 8.6 × 8.3 cm)