



Ritual Object (Cong)

Date
8000-1500 BCE

Medium
Jade

Description
The cong is the most complex Neolithic jade carving to come from China. Primarily unearthed at coastal sites, it has been speculated to represent wealth, social status, or the power to exorcise evil spirits.

Dimensions
1 3/8 × 2 3/8 in. (3.5 × 6 cm)