



Tomb Figure

Date

206 BCE - 220 CE

Medium

Ceramic

Description

This object is a male tomb figure made during the Han dynasty (206 BCE - 220 CE). An army of nearly 2,000 similar clay figurines, male and female, have been found in the mausoleum of Emperor Jing (r. 157-141 BCE) near Xi'an. Surviving traces of silk clothing and wooden armor indicate that these anatomically accurate sculptures were once clothed.

Dimensions

18 3/8 × 3 3/4 × 4 in. (46.6 × 9.5 × 10.2 cm)