

# Basic Detail Report

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## Bag and Amulets

### Date

20th Century

### Medium

Fiber, shell, wood and stone

### Description

Shaman's Ritual Magic (taro planting set?) set, from Shagur Village on the north coast of Kairuru Island, Sepik

Coast, Papua New Guinea, with bag and seven sculpted amulets. A: Figure, "Chemgau, Fainim rot," carved wood, a lizard sits on top of head, incised designs, arms straight down sides. B: Figure, "Kutnul, Taro work with stones," standing figure carved of wood, bird-like head and beak and man-like body. C: Carved stone figure, anthropomorphic, dark brown, "Rim, Kawa and buai, fasting man I kaikai w/ spell before plant taro. D: Figure carved of stone, black, brown and orange in color, "Misari, Snake- result of successful taro planting". E: Stone ball, black in color, "Kunduur, to hit a man in the chest to give strength". F: Small pebble with a face carved on one side, black stone with red pigment in crevices, "Chinchin- messenger, 2 small stones, support to go the gardens with kutnut". G: Small pebble with a carved face on one side, black in color, "Chinchin-messenger, 2 small stones, support to go the gardens with kutnut". H: Woven fiber bag with 4 sea shells attached.

### Dimensions

A: 6 1/4 × 1 3/8 × 1 1/2 in. (15.9 × 3.5 × 3.8 cm) B: 7 5/8 × 2 × 1 5/8 in. (19.4 × 5.1 × 4.1 cm) C: 2 5/8 × 2 × 2 3/4 in. (6.7 × 5.1 × 7 cm) D: 4 3/4 × 3 1/8 × 3 1/2 in. (12.1 × 7.9 × 8.9 cm) E: 3 3/8 × 3 1/8 × 2 5/8 in. (8.6 × 7.9 × 6.7 cm) F: 2 1/8 × 1 1/8 × 7/8 in. (5.4 × 2.9 × 2.2 cm) G: 2 1/8 × 1 1/4 × 1 1/8 in. (5.4 × 3.2 × 2.9 cm) H: 16 × 10 7/8 × 1/8 in. (40.6 × 27.6 × 0.3 cm) H shell attachment: 12 × 2 3/4 × 1 7/8 in. (30.5 × 7 × 4.8 cm)