



Paddle

Date

mid 19th Century

Medium

Wood

Description

Austral Island paddles are a classic form of Oceanic art. Complex, intricate, and carved with great skill and workmanship, the paddles became sought after as souvenirs from those aboard ships starting in the early 19th century. The pommel is flared and ringed by a series of human figures.

Dimensions

49 × 11 × 3 3/4 in. (124.5 × 27.9 × 9.5 cm)