

# Basic Detail Report

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## Jar

### Date

1100-300 BCE

### Primary Maker

Chorrera

### Medium

pottery and paint

### Description

According to Funes Sanchez (1970:163) there is some evidence that Indians of Ecuador regard snakes as symbols of power, wisdom and fertility. The more

sophisticated Chorrera style integrated decorative forms into a total concept for each vessel. The serpent body coils around the jar, slyly referring to the coils of clay used by the potter to form the vessel. The fer-de-lance is a venomous snake related to the rattlesnake which is found in tropical America.

### Dimensions

Overall: 6 5/8 x 7 1/2 in. (16.8 x 19.1 cm)