



Crest Mask (Chi Wara Kun)

Date

early 20th century

Primary Maker

Bamana people

Medium

wood, cowrie shells, coral beads, cotton, iron and hair

Description

Female antelope head crest. The antelope is associated with the mythical creature that introduced the art of farming to humans. It is also an animal of the bush that frequently crosses into the human domain and grazes on crops in the field, another reason it is a symbol of agriculture.

Dimensions

Overall: 18 x 6 3/8 x 3 in. (45.7 x 16.2 x 7.6 cm)