Basic Detail Report



Pendant

Date ca. 600-900

Primary Maker Maya (archaeological culture)

Medium

jade

Description

This perfectly matched set of pendants combine the inherent power of jade, a substance that the Maya believed to convey life force, with the dominance represented by a jaguar's claw. They are an excellent example of the way the natural world was appropriated as a metaphor for royal power by Maya kings and queens.

Dimensions

Overall: $15/8 \times 3/8 \times 1/8$ in. $(4.1 \times 1 \times 0.3 \text{ cm})$