



Necklace

Date

ca. 600-900

Primary Maker

Maya (archaeological culture)

Medium

shell

Description

Shells were a valuable source of durable material for tools and ornaments. This necklace made of drilled shell beads and a single conch shell is an unusual example. The conch

shell has inscribed designs reminiscent of a single glyph block. Children are often found interred with shell ornaments and the dimensions of this necklace suggest it may have been made for a child.

Dimensions

Overall: 6 3/4 x 3 1/4 x 1 1/2 in. (17.1 x 8.3 x 3.8 cm)