

Basic Detail Report



Offering Scene of Sety I

Date

late 19th to early 20th century (printed 1992)

Primary Maker

Artist Unknown

Medium

gelatin silver print

Description

In another scene from the Temple of Sety I at Abydos, in the shrine of Isis in her small chapel, the king offers a tray of food to the goddess. Among the foodstuffs can be seen two plucked and drawn ducks, several figs, a pomegranate, a bowl of round fruits or berries, slabs of fresh meat, and round cakes or bread loaves. Below the king's elbow is the beginning of the hieroglyphic label to the scene, the verb *f3'i.t*, "raising, lifting." The lowest sign in the group, the determinative of the verb, is a reduced image of the scene itself, a small figure of the king lifting up a miniature tray of food. In Egyptian decoration, scenes and inscriptions are inextricably intertwined, and often interact with each other.

Dimensions

Sight: 9 1/2 x 12 in. (24.1 x 30.5 cm) Mat: 16 x 20 in. (40.6 x 50.8 cm)