

Basic Detail Report



Friction Oracle (Itombwa)

Date
ca. 1970

Primary Maker
Kuba people

Medium
wood, plant fiber, raffia, cowrie shell and pigment

Description
Friction oracle used by a diviner to consult nature spirits. The rubbing implement sticks on the moistened surface when the correct answer is pronounced.

Dimensions
Overall: 4 7/8 x 12 7/8 x 3 in. (12.4 x 32.7 x 7.6 cm)