

Basic Detail Report



Box

Date

c. 1890

Primary Maker

Penobscot

Medium

Birchbark, root, sweetgrass, wire

Description

The birchbark on this Penobscot box is decorated with a type of decorative technique known as sgraffito. The dark inner layer of birchbark is used as a surface that the artist then scrapes in part to reveal the light layer beneath. Here the image of a moose and a stag, two animals of great importance to traditional Woodlands economies, are realistically portrayed.

Dimensions

Overall: 5 1/2 × 5 1/4 × 8 3/4 in. (14 × 13.3 × 22.2 cm)