

Basic Detail Report



Basket

Date

c. 1910

Primary Maker

Upper Lake Pomo

Medium

Willow (*salix*) rods, sedge (*Carex* spp.) root, green and white mallard feathers, red-headed woodpecker feather, clam disc shell beads, abalone shell, Native string

Description

This type of basket with its glowing mosaic of brilliant feathers is called a Jewel basket. Pomo basket makers painstakingly collected numerous fine feathers to create these extraordinary baskets. This basket has red crest

feathers from a woodpecker, dark iridescent feathers from a hummingbird and a blackbird, green feathers from a mallard, white feathers from a water bird and black crest feathers from a California quail. These baskets were often given as gifts to friends or were presented to honored persons.

Dimensions

Overall (Without handle): 2 × 11 1/2 in. (5.1 × 29.2 cm) Overall (With handle): 12 × 11 1/2 in. (30.5 × 29.2 cm)