

Basic Detail Report



Ladle

Date

1800-1850

Primary Maker

Wishxam or Wasco

Medium

Bighorn sheep horn

Description

Sheep horn ladles frequently feature human and/or animal figures on the handle. This alert-looking wolf or otter-like figure is geometric in character, its stiff legs join the curve of the handle in an architectural fashion. The ribs are exposed and exaggerated, and the straight line formed by the tail, body, and neck terminates in a simply carved, but expressive face. The handles were carved from the curling tip of the sheep horn.

Dimensions

Overall: 6 × 3 1/2 × 5 in. (15.2 × 8.9 × 12.7 cm)