



Bent-Corner Dish

Date

1830-1860

Primary Maker

Haida

Medium

Yellow cedar or spruce, red turban snail opercula shells, cedar withe, bark or splint twine, wooden pegs

Description

This bent-corner dish is elegant in terms of its thin sides and delicate form. Bent-corner dishes were one of the

most remarkable expressions of Northwest Coast art. Carvers made bent-corner dishes from a single plank of wood by cutting 90 degree V-kerfs. This facilitated the steaming and bending required to shape the corners. Originally, the rim had 32 inlays of red turban snail opercula shell, an embellishment seen on many bent-corner bowls and chest lids.

Dimensions

Overall: 8 1/4 × 13 1/4 × 16 3/4 in. (21 × 33.7 × 42.5 cm)