

# Basic Detail Report

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## Mask

### Date

c. 1850

### Primary Maker

Central Yup'ik

### Medium

Cedar wood, cedar bark, duck feathers, snowy owl feathers, sandhill crane feathers, caribou fur, white clay & black pigments

### Description

The mythic raven is of great importance in spiritual beliefs of the Yup'ik people because he did everything for first man. Raven created the means for man to interact with nature and enabled him to prosper by providing food and teaching him to hunt. The raven is also a culture-hero

trickster and a notorious shapeshifter. The multiple wooden rings that encircle the mask signify the different levels of the universe.

### Dimensions

Overall: 21 1/2 × 30 in. (54.6 × 76.2 cm) Overall (Without hoops): 8 1/2 × 4 1/2 × 9 1/4 in. (21.6 × 11.4 × 23.5 cm)