



## Concha

**Date**

c. 1880

**Primary Maker**

Dine (Navajo)

**Medium**

Silver

**Description**

Although not an indigenous art form, silversmithing was brought to the Southwest by Spanish and Mexican soldiers

and became an important art form in Dine (Navajo) life. Dine (Navajo) silversmiths made bridles for their horses, and belts, buckles, beads, bells and necklaces for themselves. Conchas such as these were used as decorations on belts or bridles.

**Dimensions**

Overall: 2 3/4 × 3 1/2 in. (7 × 8.9 cm)